TRAFFIC ORDINANCE TOWN OF BALTIMORE, VERMONT Updated 11/07/2012

- Article 1: Authority: This ordinance is adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of Baltimore under authority of 23 VSA 1007, 24 VSA 2291(4), and 24 VSA Chapter 59.
- *Article 2: Purpose:* The purpose of this ordinance is to promote public health and safety by establishing safe speed limits on all unpaved town highways in the Town of Baltimore.
- Article 3: Speed Regulations: Based on consideration of neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, the maximum speed limit for all motor vehicles within the Town of Baltimore shall be 35 miles per hour. The speed limit shall be posted in accordance with standards set forth in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
- Article 4: Location of Stop Signs: Stop signs shall be erected on the following highways for the regulation of traffic at the following intersections:

None.

- Article 5: Location of Yield Signs: Yield signs shall be erected at the following highways for the regulation of traffic at the following intersection:
 - a.) Gould Road at the intersection with Baltimore Road.
 - b.) Bemis Road at the intersection with Baltimore Road.
 - c.) Old Piper Road at the intersection with Baltimore Road.
 - d.) Harris Road at the intersection with Baltimore Road.
- *Article 6: Location of Yield Left Signs:* Yield Left signs shall be erected at the following highways for the regulation of traffic at the following intersection:
 - a) Baltimore Road at intersection with Harris Road.
- Article 7: Parking: No vehicle will be parked on or near any Baltimore town highway so as to interfere with snow removal. Violations may result in vehicles being towed away at the owner's and/or operator's expense.
- *Article 8: Snowplowing Regulations:* Person/s shall not plow snow into the town highway. Any person plowing snow across town highways shall remove all said snow from the town highway immediately.
- Article 9: Penalties: All penalties shall be those established by the State of Vermont for traffic violations.
- Article 10: Enforcement: This ordinance may be enforced by any properly qualified Vermont law enforcement officer.
- Article 11: Severability: If any section of this ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.
- *Article 12: Effective Date:* This ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) days after its adoption by the Baltimore Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 24 VSA 1973, that statute shall govern the taking effect of this ordinance.

Article 13: Notice: This ordinance shall be entered into the minutes of the town records and shall be posted in at least five conspicuous places in town. A concise summary of it shall be published in the {Rutland Herald/Eagle Times} within fourteen days of its adoption accompanied by information as to where the full text of it may be examined, the right of voter to petition for a vote, and the name, address and telephone number of a person who is available to answer questions about it. The ordinance shall become effective sixty days after its adoption unless a petition signed by five percent of the qualified voters in the Town of Baltimore asking for a vote on the question of disapproving the ordinance is filed with the Town Clerk or the Selectboard within forty-four days after the adoption of the ordinance. If such a petition is filed, the Selectboard shall call a special meeting to vote on that question and the ordinance shall become effective at the end of that meeting, unless a majority of those voting on the question disapproves the ordinance.

Signed:		
Chair, Board of Selectmen		Date
Member, Board of Selectmen	_	Date
Member, Board of Selectmen	-	 Date

Adoption History:

- 1.) Agenda item at regular Selectboard meeting held on November 7, 2012.
- 2.) Read and approved at regular Selectboard meeting on November 7, 2012.
- 3.) Posted in public places on November 8, 2012.

Notice of adoption was sent to be published in the Message newspapers on November 8, 2012 with a notice of the right of petition.