Becket’s emergency services would like to make residents aware that their houses should be clearly marked with their assigned house numbers per Article 17, Section 17 of the Town of Becket Bylaws which follows:

SECTION 17. Uniform System of Numbering Dwellings and Principal Buildings within the Town. Address numbers for every building within the Town of Becket have been assigned. It shall be the responsibility of the owner to obtain and install the numbers in compliance with this bylaw. The owner of any property seeking a building permit for a new building or structure shall apply for and receive a building number designation from the Highway Superintendent, unless the lot already has a designated number. A building permit will not be issued until a number is designated. Numerals indicating the official number for each principal building of each front entrance to such building shall be placed immediately above, on, or at the side of the main entrance of each building so that the number can be seen plainly from the street line. Whenever any building is situated more than fifty (50) feet from the street line, or is not visible from the street, the number should be placed to the right of the driveway or common entrance to such building, or upon a gate post, fence, tree, post or other appropriate place so as to be clearly discernible from the street curb line in both directions of travel. Said numbers shall not be less than four (4) inches in height and made of a durable and clearly visible material. This Bylaw shall be enforced by the Building Inspector of the Town. Failure to comply with this Bylaw shall subject the offending property owner to a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars ($25.00) per day. The provisions of this section may be penalized by indictment or on complaint brought in the district court or by non-criminal disposition as provided in M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21D. (Amended 5/13/06 & effective 7/29/06)

In the event of an emergency, the town’s emergency services would be able to arrive at your location much more quickly if your house numbers were clearly visible. Please note that the Building Inspector can issue a fine of $25.00 per day for anyone failing to comply with this bylaw. Thank you.