

CHAPTER 5 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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5.01 DECLARATION OF POLICY

To prepare Walworth County to cope with emergencies resulting from enemy action and natural or man-made disaster, it is declared to be necessary to establish an organization for emergency management for the County by conferring upon the County Board Chairman and others certain specified duties and powers, consistent with the applicable provisions of Chapter 166 Wis. Stats. This chapter shall constitute a mutual agreement between the Village of Williams Bay and Walworth County as herein provided.

5.02 DEFINITIONS

(1) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT includes "civil defense" and means all measures undertaken by or on behalf of the County and the municipalities within the County:

- (a) To prepare for and minimize the effect of enemy action and natural or man-made disaster upon the civilian population.
- (b) To effectuate emergency repairs to, or the emergency restoration of, vital public utilities and facilities destroyed or damaged by such action or disaster.

(2) CIVIL DEFENSE means all measures undertaken by or on behalf of the State and the County and the municipalities within the County to prepare for and minimize the effects of enemy action upon the civilian population.

5.03 COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

(1) HOW CONSTITUTED. There is hereby created a County Emergency management Committee composed of the members of the Sheriff's Committee and the County Board Chairman, whose Chairman shall be the County Board Chairman.

(2) DUTIES. The County Emergency management Committee shall be an advisory and planning group and shall advise the Coordinator of Emergency management Services and the

County Board on all emergency management matters. It shall meet monthly or upon the call of the Chairman. It shall annually prepare a budget for emergency management and present same to the County Board for adoption. It shall prepare an annual report for the County Board.

5.04 COUNTY COORDINATOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES

(1) **JOINT COORDINATOR.** There is hereby created the office of County Coordinator of Emergency management Services. The County Coordinator of Emergency management Services shall also hold the office of Coordinator of Emergency management Services of such towns and municipalities of Walworth County as may enact an ordinance parallel to this chapter. Following such action, the County Coordinator of Emergency management Services shall have the additional duties and responsibilities of a town or municipal Coordinator of Emergency management Services as prescribed by State statutes.

(2) **TENURE.** The County Coordinator of Emergency management Services shall hold office at the pleasure of the County Board. The salary of the Coordinator and members of his staff shall be set from time to time by the County Board.

(3) **TERM.** The term of office shall be for one year. The Coordinator shall hold office until his successor is appointed and qualified.

(4) **APPOINTMENT.** The County Coordinator of Emergency management Service shall be appointed by the County Board.

(5) **POWERS AND DUTIES.**

(a) **County-Wide.** The Coordinator, in his capacity as County Coordinator subject to the control and direction of the County Emergency management Committee and under the general supervision of the County Board, shall:

1. Develop and promulgate emergency management plans for the County consistent with State plans.
2. Direct the emergency management program for the County and perform such other duties related to emergency management as required by the County Board and the County Emergency management Committee.
3. Coordinate and assist in developing town and municipal emergency management plans within the County, integrating such plans with the County plan.
4. Advise the State Department of Local Affairs and Development of all emergency management planning in the County and submit such reports as may be required.
5. Direct and coordinate emergency management activities throughout the County during a state of emergency.
6. Direct County-wide emergency management training programs and exercises.

(b) **Municipal.** The Coordinator, in his capacity as coordinator for a municipality participating in joint action, shall:

1. Develop and promulgate emergency management plans for the municipality consistent with State and County plans.
2. Direct the emergency management program for the municipality and perform such other duties related to emergency management as required by the

governing body and the Emergency management Committee of the governing body when applicable.

3. Direct the municipal emergency management training programs and exercises.

4. Direct municipal participation in emergency management programs and exercises.

5.05 SHARING OF COSTS

(1) OFFICE AND STAFF. The county board shall provide offices, office furniture, stenographic help and such office supplies as necessary to carry out the functions of the County Coordinator of Emergency management Services. The cost thereof shall be borne 100% by the County.

(2) MAJOR EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES. Cost of equipment and services shall be borne 100% by the municipal government requiring such procurement with Federal financial assistance procured by the County/Municipal Coordinator of Emergency management Services when applicable. Federal financial assistance reimbursements shall be returned to the Treasurer of the municipality procuring the equipment of services.

5.06 JOINT MEETINGS

Whenever it is deemed necessary by either the County Emergency management committee or the Emergency management Committee of a municipality participating in joint action, there shall be a joint meeting of the committees to decide such matters as may arise.

5.07 UTILIZATION OF EXISTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES

(1) POLICY. In preparing and executing the emergency management program, the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of the existing departments and agencies of the County shall be utilized to the maximum extent practicable; and the heads and personnel of all such departments and agencies are directed to cooperate and extend such services and facilities as are required to them.

(2) RESPONSIBILITY. In an emergency, to assure that all facilities of the existing County government are expanded to the fullest to meet such emergency, department and agency heads assigned to specific responsibilities under the County Emergency Operations Plan shall fulfill emergency and non-emergency duties as prescribed in the plan. Municipalities entering into joint action with Walworth County shall provide for maximum utilization of existing services, equipment, supplies and facilities of the municipality by including a section parallel to this in the joint action ordinance.

5.08 EMERGENCY POWERS

(1) Pursuant to the provisions of §166.23, Wis. Stats., the Village President, the Chair of the Village Board Parks and Lakefront committee and the Chief of Police, or each of them, are hereby authorized and empowered to declare an emergency existing within the Village whenever conditions arise at the Village launch site by reason of traffic congestion, impending riot or civil commotion, acts of disorderly conduct, battery or other civil disobedience all occurring at the Village launch site. The period of the emergency shall be limited to the time during which the emergency conditions exist or are likely to exist.

(2) During such emergency, the authorized and empowered Village officials shall have the general authority to order and bar, restrict or remove all unnecessary traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian from the area of the Village launch site, notwithstanding any provision of Chapters 341 to 349, Wis. Stats., or any other provisions of ordinance or law.

(3) Any person violating the barring, restricting or removing of all unnecessary traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian from the area of the launch site shall forfeit not less than \$10 nor more than \$100, plus penalty assessment and Court costs and upon failure to pay any forfeiture, penalty assessment and Court costs imposed, may be imprisoned not exceeding 6 months or until such forfeiture, penalty assessment and costs are paid.

5. 09 PENALTIES

Whoever intentionally fails to comply with the directives of emergency management authorities promulgated under this ordinance during a state of emergency or during any training program of exercise may be subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$200.00, and in default of payment of such forfeiture, shall be imprisoned not more than 90 days.