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Emergency Services - see W.Va. Code Art. 15-5

102.01

POLICY AND PURPOSE

(a) In view of the existing and increasing possibility of the occurrence of disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action, or from fire, flood, earthquakes or other natural or manmade causes, and in order to insure that preparations of the Town will be adequate to deal with such disasters, and, generally, to provide for the defense and to protect the public peace, health and safety and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Town, it is hereby found and declared to be necessary:

- (1) To create an Office of Emergency Services in the Town;
- (2) To confer upon the officials of the Town the emergency powers provided herein; and
- (3) To provide for the rendering of emergency services within this Town and to cooperate with other governmental agencies with respect to carrying out the emergency service functions.

(b) It is further declared to be the purpose of this article and the policy of the Town that all emergency services functions of the Town be coordinated to the maximum extent with the comparable functions of the County, State and Federal governments, including the various departments and agencies thereof, as well as with other states and localities and with private agencies of every type, so that the most effective preparation and use may be made of the County, State and nation's manpower, resources and facilities for dealing with any disaster that may occur.

102.02

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES CREATED; MEMBERSHIP

(a) There is hereby created the Office of Emergency Services, which shall consist of the following members: The Director of Emergency Services; the Utility Superintendent; the Chief of Police; the Fire Chief; and one other member to be nominated and appointed by Council.

(b) The terms of all members shall follow the term of their respective offices. The Utility Superintendents' term shall expire upon the expiration of their employment with the Town.

102.03

POWERS AND DUTIES

The powers and duties of the Office of Emergency Services shall include the recommendation of a civil defense program and a program for emergency services for the Town and shall also include the following:

- (a) Control and direction of the civil defense organization of the Town;
- (b) Control and direction of service during every type of emergency within the Town;
- (c) Appointment of such voluntary personnel as the Office of Emergency Service may deem advisable
- (d) The maintenance of necessary liaison with other municipal, area, State, regional, federal or other civil defense or emergency services offices or organizations;
- (e) The marshalling, after the declaration of an emergency, of all necessary personnel, equipment or supplies to air the carrying out of the civil defense plan or the emergency services plan;
- (f) The institution of training programs and public information programs and the taking of other preparatory steps including partial or full mobilization of civil defense programs and emergency services programs in advance of actual disaster or emergency; and
- (g) On behalf of the Town and subject to approval of the Office of Emergency Services, the entering into mutual aid arrangements with other cities and counties in the State, and also, under authority of the State, the entering into of reciprocal civil defense arrangements and emergency services agreements with Federal agencies and other states for air in case of disaster or emergencies too great to be dealt with unassisted.

102.04

MEMBERSHIP, DUTIES AND ORGANIZATION

The operational civil defense and emergency services organization of the Town shall consist of the officers and employees of the Town designated by the Mayor, as well as all volunteer Municipal defense and emergency services workers. The functions and duties of this organization shall be distributed among such divisions, services and special staff as Council shall by resolution prescribe. Insofar as possible, the form of organization and terminology shall conform to the recommendations of the Federal and State civil defense and emergency services organization.

102.05

ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL OR STATE AID

Whatever the Federal or State governments, or any agency or officer thereof, shall offer or make available to the Town, services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds by way of gift, grant, loan or matching funds, for the purpose of civil defense or emergency services, the

Town, acting through the Council, may accept such offer and, upon acceptance, authorize the proper offices of the Town to receive such services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds on behalf of the Town.

102.06 DIRECTOR

Council shall appoint a Director of the Office of Emergency Services which will report directly to Council.

PASSED ON THE FIRST READING BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ANMOORE, WEST VIRGINIA, during a REGULAR MEETING, this 19 day of October, 2015

PASSED ON THE SECOND AND FINAL READING BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ANMOORE, WEST VIRGINIA, during a REGULAR MEETING, this 2 day of November, 2015

P. Eddie Hardman

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