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SECTION 12.01 Purpose and Scope.

- (a) **Emergencies.** The purpose of this chapter is to enable the Village of Cross Plains to cope with emergencies resulting from enemy action and man-made or natural disasters. This Chapter will address emergency functions other than those for which the military forces are primarily responsible.
- (b) **Coordination.** It is the policy of the Village of Cross Plains that all emergency management functions of the Village be coordinated to the maximum extent practicable with existing services and facilities of the Village and with comparable functions of the federal, state and county governments and other political subdivisions, and of various private agencies, to the end that the most effective preparation and use may be made of manpower, resources, and facilities for dealing with any disaster that may occur.

SECTION 12.02 Emergency Management Director.

- (a) **Appointment.** The Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer shall serve as Emergency Management Director ("Director").
- (b) **Duties.**
 - (1) The Director shall have direct responsibility for the organization, administration and operation of the emergency management system, subject to the control of the Village President and the Village Board. The Director shall coordinate all activities for emergency management within the Village and shall maintain liaison and cooperate with emergency management agencies and organizations of other political subdivisions and of the county and shall participate in county and state emergency management activities upon request and shall have such additional authority, duties, and responsibilities as are authorized by this chapter and as may from time to time be required by the Village Board.
 - (2) The Director shall prepare a comprehensive plan for the emergency management of the Village and shall present such plan to the Village Board for its approval. When the Village Board has approved the plan by resolution, it shall be the duty of all agencies of the Village to perform the duties and functions assigned by the plan as approved. The plan may be modified in like manner.
 - (3) Meetings related to emergency management shall be set by the Director.

SECTION 12.03 Utilization of Existing Services and Facilities.

In preparing and executing the emergency management plan, the Director shall utilize the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of the existing departments and agencies of the Village to the maximum extent practicable, and the officers and personnel of all such departments and agencies are directed to cooperate with and extend such services and facilities to the Director.

SECTION 12.04 Mutual Aid Agreements.

The Director may, subject to the approval of the Village Board, enter into mutual aid agreements with other political subdivisions. Copies of such agreements shall be filed with the County Director of Emergency Management.

SECTION 12.05 Declaration of Emergency.

- (a) **Warnings.** Upon the declaration of a state of emergency by the Governor, by the Village President (or the Director in the absence of the Village President), or by the Village Board, the Director shall issue all necessary proclamations as to the existence of such state of emergency and shall issue such disaster warnings or alerts as shall be required in the emergency management plan.
- (b) **Action.** The emergency management organization shall take action in accordance with the emergency management plan only after the declaration of an emergency and the issuance of official disaster warnings. Such state of emergency shall continue until terminated by the issuing authority, provided that any such declaration not issued by the Governor may be terminated at the discretion of the Village Board.

SECTION 12.06 Emergency Orders, Rules and Regulations.

Whenever necessary to meet an emergency for which adequate regulations have not been adopted by the Village Board, the Village President (and in his absence the Director) may by proclamation promulgate and enforce such orders, rules and regulations relating to the conduct of persons and the use of property as shall be necessary to protect the public peace, health and safety, to preserve lives and property, and to ensure the cooperation necessary in emergency management activities. Such proclamations shall be posted in a public place and may be rescinded by the Village Board by resolution at any time.