

CHAPTER 6

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6.01 DEFINITION. "Emergency Government" shall mean the preparation for and the carrying out of all emergency functions other than functions for which the military forces are primarily responsible, to minimize and repair injury and damage resulting from disaster caused by enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action or by fire, flood or other natural causes.

6.02 EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR. (1) APPOINTMENT. See Section 1.02(3) of this Municipal Code.

(2) DUTIES AND POWERS. The Director shall be the executive head of the Village emergency government organization and shall have direct responsibility for the organization, administration and operation of the organization, subject to the direction and control of the Village President and the Village Board. In addition to such powers and responsibilities as may be imposed on him from time to time by the Village Board, he shall:

- (a) Coordinate all activities for emergency government within the Village.
- (b) Maintain liaison and cooperate with emergency government agencies and organizations of other political subdivisions and of the state and federal government.
- (c) Participate in county and state emergency government activities upon request.
- (d) Prepare a comprehensive general plan for the emergency government of the Village and present such plan to the Village Board for approval.
- (e) Subject to the approval of the Village Board, enter into mutual aid agreements with other political subdivisions and file copies of any such agreements with the State Director of Emergency Government.
- (f) Upon the declaration of an emergency, issue all necessary proclamations as to the existence of such state of emergency and such disaster warnings or alerts as shall be required in the emergency government plan.

6.03 UTILIZATION OF EXISTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES. In preparing and executing the emergency government 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. When the Village Board has approved the plan, all municipal agencies and departments of the Village shall perform the duties and functions assigned by the approved plan.

6.04 DECLARATION OF EMERGENCIES. The emergency government organization shall take action in accordance with the emergency government plan only after the declaration of an emergency and issuance of official disaster warnings. Declaration of emergency shall be made by the Governor, the Village Board, the Village President, or, in his absence, by the Director. Such state of emergency declaration not issued by the Governor may be terminated by the issuing authority, provided any declaration not issued by the Governor may be terminated by the Village President.

6.05 EMERGENCY 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 of Emergency Government, may proclaim, promulgate and enforce orders, rules and regulations relating to the conduct of persons and the use of property which are necessary to protect the public peace, health and safety, preserve lives and property, and to insure cooperation in emergency government activities. Such proclamations shall be posted in 3 public places and may be rescinded by resolution of the Village Board.

6.06 OBSTRUCTION OF EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION; PENALTY. No person shall willfully obstruct, hinder or delay any member of the emergency government organization in the enforcement of any order, rule, regulation or plan issued pursuant to this section or violate any order, rule, regulation or plan issued pursuant to the authority contained in this section. Any person who shall violate any provision of this chapter shall be subject to a penalty as provided in sec. 25.04 of this Municipal Code.

6.07 NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. The Village of Sussex hereby establishes the National Incident Management System as the Village's basis for all incident management.