

**CHAPTER 6**

**CIVIL DEFENSE**

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**6.01 POLICY AND PURPOSE.**

- (1) "Civil Defense" 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 any other natural or man made causes.
- (2) By reason of the increasing possibility of disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness, and to insure that preparations will be adequate to cope with such disasters, and to provide for the common defense, to protect the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare, and to preserve the lives and property of the people, it is hereby declared necessary:
  - (a) To establish a local Civil Defense organization.
  - (b) To provide for the exercise of necessary powers during Civil Defense emergencies.
  - (c) To provide for the rendering of cooperation and mutual aid between this City and other political subdivisions.
  - (d) It is further declared to be the purpose of this chapter and the policy of the City, that all Civil Defense functions of this county be coordinated to the maximum extent practicable with existing services and facilities of this county and with comparable functions of the federal and state government and other political subdivisions, and of various private agencies to the end that the most effective preparations and use may be made of manpower, resources, and facilities for dealing with any disaster that may occur.

**6.02 GOVERNING COMMITTEE**

- (1) The Civil Defense organization of the City of Algoma shall be under the control and governance of the Protection of Persons and Property Committee.

**6.03 CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

- (1) APPOINTMENT. The office of Director of Civil Defense is hereby created. The Director shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Common Council and shall receive such salary as may be authorized by the Common Council. He shall take and file an official oath. Deputy and/or Assistant Director may be appointed by the Director, subject to the approval of the Protection of Persons and Property Committee, and such appointment shall receive such compensation as may be determined by the Common Council.

(2) MUNICIPAL DEPUTY CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR FOR KEWAUNEE COUNTY. The Director of Civil Defense for the City shall be a Deputy Civil Defense Director for Kewaunee County under a Joint-Action Civil Defense mutual aid agreement. The Director of Civil Defense for the city will answer directly to the County-Municipal Civil Defense Director.

(3) DUTIES AND AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR.

(a) The Director shall be the executive head of the Civil Defense organization and shall have direct responsibility for the organization, administration and operation of the Civil Defense organization subject to the direction and control of the Mayor, Common Council, and Kewaunee County Civil Defense Director. He shall coordinate all activities for Civil Defense within the City, and shall maintain liaison and cooperate with Civil Defense agencies and organizations of other political subdivisions of the state and federal government and shall participate in county and state Civil Defense 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, required by the Common Council.

(b) The Director shall prepare a comprehensive general plan for the Civil Defense of the City and shall present such plan to the Common Council for its approval. When the Common Council has approved the plan by resolution, it shall be the duty of all municipal agencies and all Civil Defense forces of the City to perform the duties and functions assigned by the plan as approved. The plan may be modified in like manner.

6.04 **UTILIZATION OF EXISTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES.** In preparing and executing the Civil Defense plan, the Director shall utilize the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of the existing departments and agencies of the City 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.

6.05 **EMERGENCY REGULATIONS.** Whenever necessary to meet a Civil Defense emergency for which adequate regulations have not been adopted by the Common Council, the Mayor in his absence, the Director of Civil Defense, 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, and preserve lives and property and to insure the cooperation necessary in Civil Defense activities. Such proclamations shall be posted in three public places and may be rescinded by the Common Council the resolution at any time.

6.06 **MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS.** The Director of Civil Defense may, subject to the approval of the Common Council, enter into mutual aid agreements with other political sub-divisions. Copies of such agreements shall be filed with the State Director of Civil Defense.

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Kewaunee County-Joint-Action Civil Defense Ordinance is adopted by references Ordinance #103-9-66.

**6.07 DECLARATION OF EMERGENCIES.** Upon the declaration of the Governor, by the Mayor or the civil Defense Director in the absence of the Chairman, or by the Common Council, of a state of emergency, the Director of Civil Defense 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 Civil Defense Plan.

The Civil Defense organization shall take action in accordance with the Civil Defense 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 Common Council.

**6.08 PENALTIES.** No person shall willfully obstruct, hinder or delay any member of the Civil Defense organization in the enforcement of any order, rule, regulation, or plan issued pursuant to this chapter, or do any act forbidden by any order, rule, regulation, or plan issued pursuant to this chapter. For a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, he shall be subject to a penalty as provided in Sec. 20.04 of this Code.