

CHAPTER 29

PUBLIC SAFETY

ARTICLE I – CIVIL EMERGENCY

29-1-1 **DEFINITIONS.** The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this Section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

(A) **Emergency.**

- (1) A riot or unlawful assembly characterized by the use of actual force or violence or any threat to use force if accompanied by immediate power to execute by **three (3)** or more persons acting together without authority of law; or
- (2) Any natural disaster, epidemic, or man-made calamity, including outbreak of disease, flood, conflagration, cyclone, tornado, earthquake, or explosion, or eminent threat of any of those events within the corporate limits of the Village, resulting in or threatening the death or injury of persons or the destruction of property to such an extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

(B) **Curfew.** A prohibition against any person walking, running, loitering, standing or motoring upon any alley, street, highway, public property or vacant premises within the corporate limits of the Village except officials of any governmental unit and persons officially designated to duty with reference to the civil emergency.

29-1-2 **DECLARATION.** Whenever an emergency, as defined in **Section 29-1-1(A)** exists, the Mayor is authorized to declare the existence of a Local State of Emergency by means of a written *declaration* of the Mayor, under oath, setting forth the facts which constitute the emergency, describing the nature of the emergency and declaring that a Local State of Emergency exists in accordance with the definitions set forth in this Section. This declaration must be filed with the Village Clerk as soon as practicable after issuance.

29-1-3 **CURFEW AUTHORIZED.** After proclamation of a Local State of Emergency by the Mayor he or she may order a general curfew applicable to such geographical areas of the Village or to the Village as a whole, as he or she deems reasonable and advisable, and applicable during such hours of the day or night as he or she deems necessary in the interest of the public safety and welfare.

29-1-4 **ORDERS AUTHORIZED.** After the proclamation of a Local State of Emergency, the Mayor may also, in the interest of public safety and welfare, and to address this issue caused threatened by the emergency, may take any or all of the following actions by executive order during the state of emergency.

- (A) All actions reasonably necessary to respond to the emergency;
- (B) Approve previously appropriated expenditures of the Village for the purpose of continuing the operations of the Village; and
- (C) In the event the Local State of Emergency extends beyond the current fiscal year and a new budget has not been approved, the Mayor shall be authorized to approve new spending by the Village during the existence of the Local State of Emergency.
- (D) Order the closing of all retail liquor stores, including taverns and private clubs or portions thereof wherein the consumption of intoxicating liquor and beer is permitted.
- (E) Order the discontinuance of the sale of alcoholic liquor by any wholesaler or retailer.

(F) Order the discontinuance of selling, distributing or giving away of gasoline or other liquid flammable or combustible products in any container other than a gasoline tank properly affixed to a motor vehicle.

(G) Order the discontinuance of selling, distributing, dispensing or giving away of any firearms or ammunition of any character whatsoever.

29-1-5 **DURATION.** The declaration herein authorized shall be effective for a period of **fourteen (14) days** or until the adjournment of the next regular or special meetings of the Village Board, whichever comes first, unless sooner terminated by a proclamation of the Mayor, or his or her interim emergency successor, indicating that the civil emergency no longer exists. The Mayor or his or her interim emergency successor, shall have the power to reproclaim the existence of an emergency at the end of each **fourteen (14) day** period during the time said emergency exists.

29-1-6 **NOTICE.** Upon issuing the proclamation herein authorized, the Village Clerk shall notify the news media situated within the Village, and shall cause **four (4) copies** of the proclamation *declaring* the existence of the emergency and any curfew to be posted at the following places within the Village:

- (A) The Village Hall.
- (B) The Post Office.
- (C) The Fire House.
- (D) Any business.

29-1-7 **VIOLATIONS.** Any person violating the provisions of this Section or executive orders issued pursuant hereto shall be guilty of an offense against the Village and shall be punished as provided by **Section 1-1-20** of the Village Code.

29-1-8 **EFFECT ON OTHER ORDINANCES.** Nothing contained in this Section shall be construed to impair the powers contained in this Code, giving powers to the Police and Fire Departments, but shall be construed together with existing ordinances now in effect for the safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village.

(65 ILCS 5/11-1-6)

ARTICLE II - POLICE DEPARTMENT

DIVISION I - DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED

29-2-1 DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED. There is hereby established a department of the municipal government of the Village which shall be known as the Police Department. The Police Department shall consist of the Chief of Police and of such number of patrolmen as may be provided from time to time by the Village Board.

29-2-2 OFFICE OF CHIEF CREATED. There is hereby established the office of the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Village Board.

29-2-3 DUTIES OF CHIEF. The Chief of Police shall keep records and make reports concerning the activities of his department as may be required. The Chief shall be responsible for the performance of the Police Department, of all its functions, and all persons who are members of the department shall serve subject to the orders of the Chief of Police.

29-2-4 APPOINTMENT OF PATROLMEN. A sufficient number of patrolmen shall be appointed by the Mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the Village Board to serve for **one (1) year** or until his successor is appointed and qualified. A police officer may be appointed to office by the Mayor and Village Board if he meets the necessary qualifications notwithstanding the fact that the policeman is not a resident of the Village when appointed or when he is to serve as such an official.

29-2-5 SALARY. The police department shall receive such compensation as may be provided by Village ordinance or by resolution of the Village Board.

29-2-6 DUTIES. The policeman shall devote his entire time to the performance of the duties of his office and is hereby charged with the preservation of the peace, order and safety of the Village and with the duty of protecting the rights of persons and property and of enforcing all laws and also all orders of the Village Board. He shall take notice of all nuisances, obstructions and defects on the highways or other public places, and shall cause the same to be abated or removed, or immediate notice thereof given to the proper officer whose duty it may be to take action in relation thereto. When requested by the Mayor he shall attend, either in person or by deputy, all meetings of the Village Board, execute all its orders and close the Board Chamber upon the adjournment of that body. He shall also execute all warrants or other legal process required to be executed by him under any ordinance of the Village or laws of the State of Illinois.

29-2-7 MUTUAL AID CONTRACT. The Police Department, with the approval of the Village Board, may enter into an agreement to provide police protection to neighboring municipalities.

29-2-8 LEGAL PROCESSES. All police shall have the power and authority to execute Village warrants or other similar legal processes outside the corporate limits of the Village and within such distance therefrom as authorized by law in all cases when any ordinance of the Village Board made pursuant to law shall prescribe a penalty for the violation of any of its provisions by persons residing, acting or doing any business within the limits of the Village.

29-2-9 ASSISTING POLICE OFFICER. Every police officer of the Village may, at any time, call upon any able-bodied person(s) above the age of **eighteen (18) years** to aid him in the arresting, retaking or holding in custody of any person guilty of having committed any unlawful act or charged therewith, or to aid such officer in preventing the commission of any unlawful act.

29-2-10 AIDING FIRE DEPARTMENT. Every police officer shall aid the fire department by giving the alarm in case of fire and in clearing the streets or grounds in the immediate vicinity of any fire so that the firemen shall not be hindered or obstructed in the performance of their duties.

29-2-11 FAILURE TO PERFORM. Any member of the Police Department who shall neglect or refuse to perform any duty required of him by this Code or the rules and regulations of the Department, or who shall be, in the discharge of his official duties, guilty of any fraud, favoritism, extortion, oppressions or willful wrong or injustice, shall be subject to removal from office.

29-2-12 AIDING IN ESCAPE. It shall be unlawful for any person in this Village to resist or obstruct any member of the Police Force in the discharge of his duty or to endeavor to do so, in any manner, assist any person in the custody of any member of the Police Department to escape or to attempt to escape from such custody or to attempt to rescue any such person in custody.

29-2-13 USE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR. No member on an active tour of duty or while wearing the official policeman's badge of the Village shall indulge in the use of intoxicating liquor of any kind and intoxication at any time shall be sufficient cause for removal.

29-2-14 WITNESS FEES. Any member of the Police Department shall appear as witness whenever this is necessary in a prosecution for a violation of an ordinance or of any state or federal law. No such member shall retain any witness fee for service as witness in any action or suit to which the Village is a party; and fees paid for such services shall be turned over to the Chief of Police who shall deposit the same with the Village Treasurer.

29-2-15 RULES AND REGULATIONS. The Chief of Police may make or prescribe such rules and regulations for the conduct and guidance of the members of the Police Department as he shall deem advisable and such rules, when approved by the Mayor, shall be binding on such members.

29-2-16 PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS.
(A) The Village may employ part-time police officers from time to time as the corporate authorities of the Village may deem necessary.
(B) A part-time police officer shall have all the responsibilities of a full-time police officer and such specific duties as delineated in **Section 29-2-6** of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the Village, but the number of hours a part-time officer may work within a calendar year is restricted. Part-time officers shall not be assigned to supervise or direct full-time police officers. Part-time police officers shall be trained in accordance with the Illinois Police Training Act (**50 ILCS 705/1 et seq.**) and the rules and requirements of the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board.
(C) Any person employed as a part-time police officer must meet the following standards:

- (1) Be of good moral character, of temperate habits, of sound health, and physically and mentally able to perform assigned duties.
- (2) Be at least **twenty-one (21) years** of age.
- (3) Pass a medical examination.
- (4) Possess a high school diploma or GED certificate.
- (5) Possess a valid State of Illinois driver's license, or valid license issued by the person's current state of residence.
- (6) Have no felony convictions.
- (7) Have been honorably discharged, if the person has previously served in the U.S. military.

(D) The hiring standards for all part-time police officers shall also require that such individuals be qualified to enter and successfully complete any training mandated by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board.

(E) The aforesaid hiring standards with respect to part-time police officers employed by the Village of Valmeyer, Monroe County, Illinois, shall be submitted to the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board, as required by statute.

(F) Part-time officers shall be under the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Chief of Police. Part-time officers serve at the discretion of the Village corporate authorities, shall not have any property rights in said employment, and may be removed by the Village corporate authorities at any time. Part-time officers shall comply with all applicable rules and general orders issued by the Police Department.

(Ord. No. 12-01; 05-15-12)

29-2-17 COMPENSATION. Policemen shall receive such hourly compensation for their services as determined by the corporate authorities, provided such services are performed at the direction of the Chief of Police.

29-2-18 STOLEN PROPERTY. The Chief of Police shall be the custodian of all lost and abandoned or stolen property in the Village.

(65 ILCS 5/11-1-2)

ARTICLE III - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (EMA)**29-3-1 POLICY AND PROCEDURES.**

(A) Because of the possibility of the occurrence of disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from the explosion in this or in a neighboring municipality of atomic or other means from without, or by means of sabotage or other disloyal actions within, or from fire, flood, earthquake, or other natural or man-made causes, and in order to insure that this municipality will be prepared to and will adequately deal with any such disasters, preserve the lives and property of the people of this municipality and protect the public peace, health and safety in the event of such a disaster, it is found and declared to be necessary:

- (1) To create a municipal emergency management agency;
- (2) To confer upon the Mayor the extraordinary power and authority set forth under Article I of this Chapter (**65 ILCS 5/11-1-6**).
- (3) To provide for the rendering of mutual aid to other cities and political subdivisions with respect to the carrying out of emergency management operations.

(B) Whenever the Mayor determines after an investigation that a dangerous situation or a potentially dangerous situation exists which could cause death to individuals or serious injury to property or the health and welfare of public, the Mayor may declare that a state of emergency exists. The extraordinary powers may not be exercised until an ordinance shall have been adopted which shall establish standards for the determination by the Mayor of when the state of emergency exists and shall provide that the Mayor may not exercise such extraordinary power and authority except after signing under oath a statement finding that such standards have been met, setting forth facts to substantiate such findings, describing the nature of the emergency and declaring that a state of emergency exists. This statement shall be filed with the Clerk of the municipality as soon as practical. A state of emergency shall expire not later than the adjournment of the first regular meeting of the corporate authorities after the state of emergency is declared. A subsequent state of emergency may be declared if necessary.

(C) It is further declared to be the purpose of this Code and the policy of the municipality that all emergency management programs of this municipality be coordinated to the maximum extent with the comparable functions of the federal and state governments, including their various departments and agencies, of other municipalities and localities and private agencies of every type, to the end that the most effective preparation and use may be made of the nation's manpower, resources, and facilities for dealing with any disaster that may occur.

29-3-2 LIMITATIONS. Nothing in this Code shall be construed to:

(A) Interfere with the course or conduct of a private labor dispute, except that actions otherwise authorized by this Code or other laws may be taken when necessary to forestall or mitigate imminent or existing danger to public health or safety;

(B) Interfere with dissemination of news or comment of public affairs; but any communications facility or organization (including but not limited to radio and television stations, wire services, and newspapers) may be requested to transmit or print public service messages furnishing information or instructions in connection with a disaster;

(C) Affect the jurisdiction or responsibilities of police forces, fire fighting forces, units of the armed forces of the United States, or of any personnel thereof, when on active duty; but state and local emergency operations plans shall place reliance upon the forces available for performance of functions related to disaster emergencies;

(D) Limit, modify, or abridge the authority of the Mayor and the Village Board to exercise any other powers vested in them under the constitution, statutes, or common law of this State, independent of or in conjunction with any provisions of this Code.

29-3-3 DEFINITIONS. As used in this Code, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following words and terms shall have the definitions hereinafter ascribed:

(A) **Coordinator** means the staff assistant to the Mayor with the duty of carrying out the requirements of this Code.

(B) **Disaster** means an occurrence or threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or man-made cause, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, hazardous materials spill or other water contamination requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage, epidemic, air contamination, blight, extended periods of severe and inclement weather, drought, infestation, explosion, critical shortages of essential fuels and energy, riot, or hostile military or paramilitary action.

(C) **Emergency Management** means the efforts of this municipality to develop, plan, analyze, conduct, implement and maintain programs for disaster mitigation.

(D) **Emergency Operations Plan** means the written plan of the municipality describing the organization, mission and functions of the government and supporting services for responding to and recovery from disasters.

(E) **Emergency Services** means the preparation for and the carrying out of such functions, other than functions for which military forces are primarily responsible, as may be necessary or proper to prevent, minimize, repair and alleviate injury and damage resulting from disasters caused by fire, flood, earthquake, or other man-made or natural causes. These functions including, without limitation, fire-fighting services, police services, emergency aviation services, medical and health services, rescue, engineering, warning services, communications, radiological, chemical and other special weapons defense, evacuation of persons from stricken areas, emergency assigned functions of plant protection, temporary restoration of public utility services and other functions related to civilian protection, together with all other activities necessary or incidental to protecting life or property.

(F) **Political Subdivision** means any county, city, village, or incorporated town.

29-3-4 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY.

(A) There is hereby created an emergency management agency and a coordinator of the emergency management agency, herein called the "coordinator", who shall be the head thereof. The coordinator shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Board. He shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

(B) The Emergency Management Agency shall obtain, with Board approval, such technical, clerical, stenographic and other administrative personnel, and may make such expenditures within their appropriation therefor as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Code.

(C) The coordinator, subject to the direction and control of the Mayor, shall be the executive head of the Municipal Emergency Management Agency, and shall be responsible under the direction of the Mayor for carrying out the program for emergency management operations of this municipality. He shall coordinate the activities of all organizations for emergency management operations within this municipality and shall maintain liaison, and cooperate with, the civil defense and emergency management agencies and organization of the county, other counties and municipalities, and of the federal and state government.

In the event of the absence, resignation, death, or inability to serve by the coordinator, the Mayor or any persons designated by him, shall be and act as coordinator until a new appointment is made as provided in this Code.

(D) The Municipal Emergency Management Agency shall take an integral part in the development and revision of the local emergency operations plan.

(E) In the development of the emergency operations plan, the municipal emergency management agency shall interrelate with business, labor, industry, agriculture, civic and volunteer organizations, and community leaders.

(F) The Municipal Emergency Management Agency shall:

- (1) Determine the requirements of the municipality for food, clothing and other necessities in the event of an emergency;
- (2) Develop an Emergency Operations Plan that meets the standards promulgated by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency;

- (3) Biannually review and revise the local Emergency Operations Plan;
- (4) Establish a register of persons with types of training and skills in emergency prevention, preparedness, response and recovery;
- (5) Establish a register of government and private response resources available for use in a disaster;
- (6) Prepare, for issuance by the Mayor, ordinances, proclamations and regulations as necessary or appropriate in coping with disasters.
- (7) Cooperate with the federal, state and county government and any public or private agency or entity in achieving any purpose of this Code and in implementing programs for disaster prevention, preparation, response and recovery;
- (8) Initiate and coordinate planning for:
 - (a) The establishment of an emergency operating center;
 - (b) The implementation of a 911 system.
- (9) Do all other things necessary, incidental or appropriate for the implementation of this Code.

29-3-5**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POWERS OF THE MAYOR.**

(A) The Mayor shall have the general direction and control of the emergency management agency and shall be responsible for the carrying out of the provisions of this Code.

(B) In performing his duties under this Code, the Mayor is authorized to cooperate with state and federal governments and with other municipalities and political subdivisions in all matters pertaining to emergency management operations defined in this Code.

(C) In performing his duties under this Code, the Mayor is further authorized:

- (1) To make, amend and rescind all lawful necessary orders, rules and regulations of the local disaster plan to carry out the provisions of this Code within the limits of the authority conferred upon him.
- (2) To cause to be prepared a comprehensive plan and program for the emergency management of this municipality which plan and program shall be integrated into and coordinated with disaster plans of the state and federal governments and other political subdivisions, and which plan and program may include:
 - (a) Prevention and minimization of injury and damage caused by disaster;
 - (b) Prompt and effective response to disaster;
 - (c) Emergency relief;
 - (d) Identification of areas particularly vulnerable to disasters;
 - (e) Recommendations for zoning, building and other land-use controls, safety measures for securing permanent structures and other preventive and preparedness measures designed to eliminate or reduce disasters or their impact;
 - (f) Assistance to local officials in designing local emergency action plans;
 - (g) Authorization and procedures for the erection or other construction of temporary works designed to protect against or mitigate danger, damage or loss from flood, conflagration or other disaster;
 - (h) Organization of municipal manpower and chains of command;
 - (i) Coordination of local emergency management activities;
 - (j) Other necessary matters.

- (3) In accordance with such plan and program for the emergency management of this municipality, and out of funds appropriated for such purposes, to procure and preposition supplies, medicines, materials and equipment to institute training programs and public information programs, and to take all other preparatory steps, including the partial or full mobilization of emergency management organizations in advance of actual disaster to insure the furnishing of adequately trained and equipped forces for disaster operations.
- (4) Out of funds appropriated for such purposes, to make such studies and surveys of the industries, resources and facilities in this municipality as may be necessary to ascertain the capabilities of the municipality for the emergency management phases of preparedness, response, and recovery, and to plan for the most efficient emergency use thereof.
- (D) The Mayor is authorized to designate space in a municipal building, or elsewhere for the emergency management agency as its office.

29-3-6 FINANCING.

- (A) It is the intent of the Village Board and declared to be the policy of the municipality that every effort shall be made to provide funds for disaster emergencies.
- (B) It is the Village Board's intent that the first recourse shall be to funds regularly appropriated to the agency. If the Mayor finds that the demands placed upon these funds in coping with a particular disaster are unreasonably great, and the Governor has proclaimed the municipality a disaster, he may make application for funds from the state disaster relief fund. If monies available from the fund are insufficient, and if the Mayor finds that other sources of money to cope with the disaster are not available or are insufficient, he shall issue a call for an immediate session of the Village Board for the purpose of enacting ordinances as the Village Board may deem necessary to transfer and expend monies appropriated for other purposes or borrow monies from the United States Government or other public or private sources. If less than a quorum of the members of the Village Board is capable of convening in session to enact such ordinances for the transfer, expenditure or loan of such monies, the Mayor is authorized to carry out those decisions until such time as a quorum of the Village Board can convene.
- (C) Nothing contained in this Section shall be construed to limit the Mayor's authority to apply for, administer and expend grants, gifts, or payments in aid of disaster prevention, preparedness, response or recovery.

29-3-7 LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCIES.

- (A) A local disaster emergency may be declared only by the Mayor or Village Board. If declared by the Mayor, it shall not be continued for a period in excess of **seven (7) days** except by or with the consent of the Village Board. Any order or proclamation declaring, continuing or terminating a local disaster emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity, and shall be filed promptly with the municipal clerk.
- (B) The effect of a declaration of a local disaster emergency is to activate any and all applicable local emergency operations plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder.
- (C) During a local disaster emergency, the Mayor may suspend the provisions of any municipal ordinance prescribing procedures for the conduct of municipal business, or the orders, rules and regulations of any municipal agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any ordinance, rule or regulation would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency, as authorized by **"The Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act"**, provided that, if the Village Board meets at such time, he shall act subject to the directions and restrictions imposed by that body.

29-3-8 TESTING OF DISASTER WARNING DEVICES. The testing of disaster devices including outdoor warning sirens shall be held only on the first Tuesday of each month at 10 o'clock in the morning.

29-3-9 MUTUAL AID ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. The coordinator for emergency management operations may, in collaboration with other public agencies within his immediate vicinity, develop or cause to be developed mutual aid arrangements with other political subdivisions, municipal corporations or bodies politic within this state for reciprocal disaster response and recovery in case a disaster is too great to be dealt with unassisted. The mutual aid shall not, however, be effective unless and until approved by each of such political subdivisions, municipal corporations or bodies politic as are parties thereto, in the manner provided by law, and unless and until filed with and approved in writing by the state director. Such arrangements shall be consistent with the state and local emergency management operations plan and program, and in the event of such disaster as described in **Section 29-3-3** of this Code, it shall be the duty of each local and department for emergency management operations to render assistance in accordance with the provisions of such mutual aid arrangements.

29-3-10 COMMUNICATIONS. The local Emergency Services and Disaster Agency shall ascertain what means exist for rapid and efficient communications in times of disaster emergencies. The agency shall consider the desirability of supplementing these communications resources or of integrating them into a comprehensive system or network. In studying the character and feasibility of any system or its several parts, the agency shall evaluate the possibility of multipurpose use thereof for general municipal and local governmental purposes. The agency shall make recommendations to the Mayor as appropriate.

29-3-11 IMMUNITY. Neither the municipality, the agency or any member thereof or any person acting at their direction, engaged in any emergency management operations or disaster activities, while complying with or attempting to comply with this Code or any rule or regulations promulgated pursuant to this Code is liable for the death of or any injury to persons, or damage to property, as a result of such activity. This section does not, however, affect the right of any person to receive benefits to which he would otherwise be entitled under this act under the Worker's Compensation Act or the Worker's Occupational Diseases Act, or under any pension law, and this Section does not affect the right of any such person to receive any benefits or compensation under any Act of Congress.

29-3-12 PROFESSIONS, TRADES AND OCCUPATIONS. If such disaster as is described in **Section 29-3-3** occurs in this municipality and the services of persons who are competent to practice any profession, trade or occupation are required in this municipality to cope with the disaster situation and it appears that the number of persons licensed or registered in this municipality to practice such profession, trade or occupation may be insufficient for such purpose, then any persons who are licensed elsewhere to practice any such profession, trade or occupation may, if a member of another political subdivision rendering aid in this municipality pursuant to the order of the head of that political subdivision and upon the request of the municipality, or if otherwise requested so to do by the Mayor or the coordinator of this municipality, during the time the disaster condition continues, practice such profession, trade or occupation in this municipality without being licensed or registered in this municipality.

29-3-13 APPROPRIATIONS AND LEVY OF TAX. The Village Board may make appropriations for emergency management operations in the manner provided by law for making appropriations for the ordinary expenses of such political subdivision. The Village Board may also levy for emergency management operations a tax not to exceed .05% of the full, fair

cash value as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue on all taxable property in the municipality for the current year. However, the amount collectible under such a levy shall in no event exceed **Twenty-Five Cents (\$0.25)** per capita. The annual tax shall be in addition to and in excess of the amount authorized to be levied for general corporate purposes.

29-3-14 AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT SERVICES, GIFTS, GRANTS OR LOANS.

Whenever the federal or state governments, or any agency or officer thereof, or whenever any person, firm or corporation shall offer to the municipality services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds by way of gift or grant for purposes of emergency management, the municipality, acting through the Mayor or through its Village Board, may accept such offer and upon such acceptance the Mayor or the Village Board may authorize any officer of the municipality to receive such services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds on behalf of the municipality.

29-3-15 ORDERS, RULES AND REGULATIONS.

(A) The Mayor shall file a copy of every rule, regulation or order and any amendment thereof made by him pursuant to the provisions of this Code in the office of the Municipal Clerk. No such rule, regulation or order, or any amendment thereof, shall be effective until **ten (10) days** after such filing; provided, however, that upon the declaration of such a disaster emergency by the Mayor as is described in **Section 29-4-7**, the provision relating to the effective date of any rule, regulation order or amendment issued pursuant to this Code and during the state of such disaster emergency, is abrogated, and said rule, regulation, order or amendment shall become effective immediately upon being filed with the Municipal Clerk, accompanied by a certificate stating the reason for the emergency.

(B) The Emergency Management Agency established pursuant to this Code, and the coordinator thereof, shall execute and enforce such orders, rules and regulations as may be made by the Governor under authority of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. The local Emergency Services and Disaster Agency shall have available for inspection at its office all orders, rules and regulations made by the Governor, or under this authority. The State Emergency Management Agency shall furnish such orders, rules and regulations to the agency.

29-3-16 UTILIZATION OF EXISTING AGENCY, FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL.

In carrying out the provisions of this Code, the Mayor and the coordinator of the emergency management agency are directed to utilize the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of existing departments, offices and agencies of the municipality to the maximum extent practicable, and the officers and personnel of all such departments, offices and agencies are directed, upon request, to cooperate with and extend such services and facilities to the coordinator and the emergency management agency.

29-3-17 NO PRIVATE LIABILITY.

(A) Any person owning or controlling real estate or other premises who voluntarily and without compensation grants a license or privilege, or otherwise permits the designation or use of the whole or any part or parts of such real estate or premises for the purpose of sheltering persons during an actual or impending disaster, or a mock or practice disaster response activity together with his successors in interest, if any, shall not be civilly liable for negligently causing the death of, or injury to, any person on or about such real estate or premises under such license, privilege or other permission, or for negligently causing loss of, or damage to, the property of such person.

(B) Any private person, firm or corporation and employees and agents of such person, firm or corporation in the performance of a contract with, and under the direction of, the municipality under the provisions of this Code, shall not be civilly liable for causing death of, or injury to, any person or damage to any property except in the event of willful misconduct.

(C) Any private person, firm or corporation, and any employee or agency of such person, firm or corporation, who renders assistance or advice at the request of the municipality, shall not be civilly liable for causing the death of, or injury to, any person or damage to any property except in the event of willful misconduct. The immunities provided in Subsection (C) shall not apply to any private person, firm or corporation, or to any employee or agent of such person, firm or corporation whose act or omission caused in whole or in part such actual or impending disaster and who would otherwise be liable therefore.

29-3-18 **SUCCESSION.** In the event of the death, absence from the municipality or other disability of the Mayor preventing him from acting under this Code or for any other municipal purpose, and until the office is filled in the manner prescribed by law, the coordinator of the emergency services and disaster agency shall succeed to the duties and responsibilities of the Mayor.

29-3-19 **COMPENSATION.** The Village Board, by its annual appropriations ordinance, may provide for the payment of the salary of the coordinator and such other office staff and personnel as may be expressly provided for in the ordinance. Nothing herein contained shall prohibit any member of the agency from receiving compensation from the State of Illinois Emergency Management Agency under any provisions of that agency.

29-3-20 **PERSONNEL OATH.** Each person, whether compensated or non-compensated, who is appointed to serve in any capacity in the municipal Emergency Management Agency, shall, before entering upon his duties, take an oath, in writing, before the coordinator of the municipal Emergency Management Agency before a person authorized to administer oaths in this municipality, which oath shall be filed with the coordinator of the Emergency Management Agency, and which oath shall be substantially as follows:

“I, _____ do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend and bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the territory, institutions and facilities thereof, both public and private, against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter. And I do further swear (or affirm) that I do not advocate, nor am I, nor have I been a member of any political party or organization that advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this State by force or violence; and that during such time I am affiliated with the Village, I will not advocate nor become a member of any political party or organization that advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this State by force or violence.”

29-3-21 **EMERGENCY TERMINATION OR REDUCTION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICE.**
(A) **Declaration of Emergency Condition.** When in the judgment of the Mayor or Village Board, as provided herein in **Section 29-3-7(A)**, a local disaster emergency requires the termination or reduction of electrical service, the Mayor or Village Board shall forthwith declare in writing the existence of the emergency condition and order the termination or reduction.

29-3-22 **PENALTY.** Any person convicted of violating this Code or any order thereunder shall be punished, upon conviction, as provided in **Section 1-1-20**.

(20 ILCS 3305/1 et seq.)