

TITLE 20**MISCELLANEOUS****CHAPTER****1. CIVIL DEFENSE ORGANIZATION.****CHAPTER 1****CIVIL DEFENSE ORGANIZATION****SECTION**

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20-101. Hartsville Civil Defense Organization created. There is hereby created the Hartsville Civil Defense Organization, which shall be an operation by the Town of Hartsville for the purpose of organizing and directing civil defense for the citizens of the entire town. All other civil defense agencies within the corporate limits of the Town of Hartsville shall be considered as a total part of the town wide civil defense emergency resources and when any agency operates out of its corporate limits it shall be at the direction of its subordinate to, and as a part of the Hartsville Civil Defense Organization. (1975 Code, § 1-1301)

20-102. Authority. In accordance with federal and state enactments of law, the Hartsville Civil Defense Organization is hereby authorized to assist the regular government of the town and governments of all political subdivisions therein, as may be necessary due to enemy caused emergencies or natural disasters, including but not limited to: storms, floods, fires, explosions, tornadoes, hurricanes, droughts, or peacetime manmade disasters, which might occur affecting the lives, health, safety, welfare and property of the citizens of Hartsville, Tennessee. The Hartsville Civil Defense Organization is hereby authorized to perform such duties and functions as may be necessary on account of said disasters. The Hartsville Civil Defense Organization is hereby designated the official agency to assist regular forces in time of said emergencies. (1975 Code, § 1-1302)

20-103. Responsibilities. The Hartsville Civil Defense Organization shall be responsible for preparation and readiness against enemy caused and natural emergencies arising in Hartsville, to establish and coordinate emergency plans, forces, means, and resources, and is hereby designated the official agency to establish such emergency plans. (1975 Code, § 1-1303)

20-104. Office of director, his authority and responsibility.

(1) **Primary authority.** (a) The office of the director of civil defense is hereby created. The director shall have the authority to request the declaration of the existence of an emergency by the mayor or either by higher authority as appropriate.

(b) The director shall have overall responsibility for the preparation of all plans, recruitment, and training of personnel. All local civil defense plans will be in consonance with state plans and shall be approved by the state civil defense office,

(c) The director is hereby given the authority to delegate such responsibility and authority as is necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter and resolution, subject to the approval of the chief executive officer of the town.

(2) **Responsibility of the director.** The director shall be responsible to the chief executive officers of the town for the execution of the authorities, duties, and responsibilities of the Hartsville Civil Defense Organization, for the preparation of all plans and administrative regulations, and for recruitment and training of personnel. (1975 Code, § 1-1304)

20-105. Hartsville Civil Defense Corps created. The Hartsville Civil Defense Corps is hereby created. The corps shall be under the direction of the director of civil defense and his staff members with delegated authority; it shall consist of designated regular government employees and volunteer workers. Duties and responsibilities of the corps members shall be outlined in the civil defense emergency plan. (1975 Code, § 1-1305)

20-106. No municipal or private liability. The duties prescribed in this document is an exercise by the Town of Hartsville of its governmental function for the protection of the public peace, health, and safety and neither the Town of Hartsville, nor the agents and representatives of said town, nor any individual, receiver, firm, partnership, corporation, association, or trustee, nor any of the agents thereof, in good faith carrying out, complying with, or attempting to comply with, any order, rule, or regulation promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this document shall be liable for any damage sustained to person or property as the result of said activity. Any person owning or controlling real estate or other premises used for the purpose of sheltering persons during an actual, impending, or practice enemy attack, shall together with his successors in interest, if any, not be civilly liable for 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 loss of, or damage to, the property of such person. (1975 Code, § 1-1306)

20-107. Expenses of civil defense. No person shall have the right to expend any public funds of the town in carrying out any civil defense activity authorized by this document without prior approval by the governing body of the town; nor shall any person have any right to bind the town by contract, agreement, or otherwise without prior and specific approval by the governing body of the town. The civil defense director shall disburse such monies as may be provided annually by appropriation of the town for the operation of the civil defense organization. Control of disbursements will be as prescribed by agreement with the treasurer of the town. He shall be responsible for the preparation and submission of a budget with recommendations as to its adoption by the town. All funds shall be disbursed upon vouchers properly executed by the director of civil defense, subject to audit by the Town of Hartsville. The civil defense director is hereby authorized to accept federal contributions in money, equipment, or otherwise, when available, or state contributions, and is further authorized to accept contributions to the civil defense organization from individuals and other organizations, such funds becoming liable for audit by the town. (1975 Code, § 1-1307)

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

Town of Hartsville
County of Trousdale
State of Tennessee

I, Pauline Ford, hereby certify that I am the Recorder of the Town of Hartsville, Tennessee, duly appointed and qualified; that as such, I am the official custodian of the minute books of the town and of the books, papers, records, and documents of the town and, that the foregoing pages of the "Hartsville Municipal Code" contain a true, perfect, and correct copy of the town's code of ordinances and the ordinance adopting the same passed on final reading the 5th day of December, 1997.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 12th day of December, 1997.

Pauline Ford
Recorder