

May 22, 1986

ORDINANCE NO. _____

EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE

FOR ASHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "ASHLAND COUNTY JOINT-ACTION EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE" DATED FEBRUARY 26, 1974 AND TO CREATE AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE FOR ASHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN".

The County Board of Supervisors of Ashland County, Wisconsin does ordain as follows:

The ordinance entitled "Ashland County Joint-Action Emergency Government Ordinance" which was adopted by the Ashland County Board of Supervisors at its February 26, 1974 meeting is hereby repealed and rescinded in its entirety effective immediately.

An ordinance entitled "Emergency Government Ordinance for Ashland County, Wisconsin" is created to read:

Section 1. POLICY AND PURPOSE

(1) To ensure that the County of Ashland will be prepared to cope with emergencies resulting from enemy action and with emergencies resulting from natural or manmade disasters, an Emergency Government Organization is created to carry out the purpose set forth in Wisconsin Statutes.

(2) Definitions. As used in this ordinance:

(a) The term "emergency government" includes civil defense and Means all those activities and measures designed or undertaken

1. to minimize the effects upon the civilian population caused or what would be caused by enemy action;
2. to deal with the immediate emergency conditions which could be created by such enemy action; and
3. to effectuate emergency repairs to, or the emergency restoration of, vital public utilities and facilities destroyed or damaged by such enemy action.

(b) The term "enemy action" means any hostile action taken by a foreign power which threatens the security of the State of Wisconsin.

(c) The term "Natural or manmade disaster" includes all other extraordinary misfortunes affecting the county, natural or manmade, not included in the term "enemy action."

Section 2. COUNTY EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT

(1) How constituted. The Public Property and Law Enforcement Committee of the Ashland County Board of Supervisors shall also function as the County Emergency Government Committee.

(2) Duties of County Emergency Government Committee. The County Emergency Government Committee shall be an advisory and planning group and shall advise the County Emergency Government Coordinator and the County Board of Supervisors on all matters pertaining to Emergency Government. It shall meet upon call of the chairman.

Section 3. EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COORDINATOR

(1) Joint Coordinator. There is hereby created the Office of County-Municipal Emergency Government Coordinator. The County Emergency Government Coordinator shall also hold the office of Emergency Government Coordinator of such municipality of Ashland County as may hereafter enact an ordinance parallel to this ordinance. In addition to his/her duties as County Emergency Government Coordinator he/she shall have the additional duties and responsibilities of a Municipal Emergency Government Coordinator as provided for in Wisconsin Statutes.

(2) Term and Appointment

(a) Term. The term of the Ashland County Emergency Government Coordinator shall be at the pleasure of the County Board,

(b) Appointment. The Emergency Government Coordinator shall be appointed by the Emergency Government Committee subject to the approval of the county board.

(3) Status. The County Coordinator of Emergency Government shall be considered an employee of Ashland County not under Civil Service and shall be entitled to the compensation and benefits specifically designated for that position by the Ashland County Board of Supervisors. He/She shall report to the County Emergency Government Committee.

(4) Municipal Deputy Emergency Government Coordinator.

(a) Each municipality passing a joint action ordinance with the county may appoint a deputy Emergency Government Coordinator.

(b) The Municipal Deputy Emergency Government Coordinator will operate under the administrative direction of the county Emergency Government Coordinator.

(c) Remuneration, if any, for the deputy municipal Emergency Government Coordinator will be determined and paid for by the governing body of the municipality that appoints such deputy.

Section 4. SHARING OF COSTS.

(1) Office and Staff. The Ashland County Board may provide offices, office furniture, stenographic help and such office supplies as it determines necessary to carry out the functions of the County Emergency Government Coordinator and the cost thereof shall be defrayed by the County of Ashland.

(2) Major Equipment and Services. Costs of equipment and services shall be borne 100 per cent by the municipal government requiring such procurement with Federal matching funds procured by the County/Municipal Coordinator when applicable. Federal matching fund reimbursements shall be returned to the treasurer of the municipality procuring the equipment or services.

Section 5. JOINT ACTION MEETINGS. Whenever it is deemed necessary by either the County Emergency Government Committee or the Emergency Government Committee of a Municipality participating in joint action, there shall be a joint meeting of the committees to decide such matters as may arise

Section 6. DUTIES OF THE EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COORDINATOR

(1) County-Wide Duties. the Coordinator, in his/her capacity as county coordinator, subject to the control and direction of the County Emergency Government Committee and under the general supervision of the County Board shall:

- (a) Develop and promulgate Emergency Government plans for the county, including planning for joint action municipalities, consistent with the state plan of Emergency Government;
- (b) Coordinate and assist in the development of non-joint action municipal emergency government plans within the county, and integrate such plans with the county plan;
- (c) Coordinate the County and joint action municipality emergency government programs;
- (d) Coordinate county-wide civil defense training programs and exercises;
- (e) Advise the state administrator of all emergency government planning for the county and render such reports as may be required by the state administrator;
- (f) In case of a state of emergency proclaimed by the governor, coordinate the county and joint action municipalities emergency government activities and coordinate and non-joint action municipal emergency government activities within the county, subject to the coordinating authority of the state administrator; and
- (g) Perform such other duties relating to emergency government as may be required by the County Board or the County Emergency Government Committee.

(2) Municipal Duties. The Coordinator in his/her capacity as coordinator for municipality participating in joint action, shall:

- (a) Coordinate the municipal emergency government organization;
- (b) Develop, promulgate, and integrate into the county plan, emergency government plans for the operating services of the municipality;
- (c) Direct participation of the municipality in such emergency government training programs and exercises as may be required on the county level or by the state administrator.
- (d) Coordinate the municipal emergency government training programs and exercises;
- (e) Perform all administrative duties necessary for the rendering of reports and procurement of matching federal funds for each municipality requesting federal matching funds.
- (f) In case of a state of emergency proclaimed by the governor, coordinate the activities of the municipal emergency government organization;
- (g) Perform such other duties, relating to emergency government as required by the municipal governing body.

Section 7. UTILIZATION OF EXISTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES

(1) Policy. In preparing and executing the emergency government program, the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of the existing departments and agencies of the county may be utilized and the officers and personnel of all departments and agencies are directed to cooperate with and extend such services and facilities as are required of them.

(2) Responsibility. In order to assure that in the event of an emergency all the facilities of the existing county government are expanded to the fullest to meet such emergency, all department heads will fulfill emergency and non-emergency duties as assigned under the County Emergency Operations Plan. The Emergency Government Coordinator will assist them in organizing and planning for the expansion of their departments prior to and during an emergency and for recruiting necessary Emergency Government Volunteers to supplement regular department employees. Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to limit the Emergency Government Coordinator from immediately commencing organizational and planning programs as required by the Emergency Operations Plan adopted by the Ashland County Board of Supervisors.

(3) Joint Action. Municipalities entering into joint action with Ashland County will provide for utilization of existing services of municipal government enactment of an ordinance parallel to this section of the county ordinance.

Section 8. OTHER EMERGENCIES

(1) Joint Action Municipalities. In the event of the governor determining that an emergency exists growing out of natural or manmade disasters, the County Emergency Government Coordinator will activate and coordinate the Emergency Government Services at the appropriate level of government affected by the emergency.

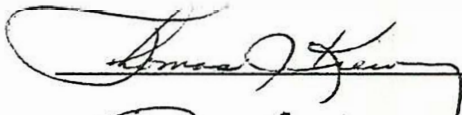
(2) Non-Joint Action Municipalities. In the event of a natural or manmade disaster, the County Coordinator will coordinate the municipalities affected and render such assistance as is required and available from county resources.

(3) Penalties. It shall be unlawful for any person willfully to obstruct, hinder, or delay any member of the emergency government organization in the enforcement or any act forbidden by any order, rule, regulation or plan issued pursuant to the authority contained in this ordinance. For a violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance he/she shall forfeit not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00, and in default of payment thereof, shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding 90 days.

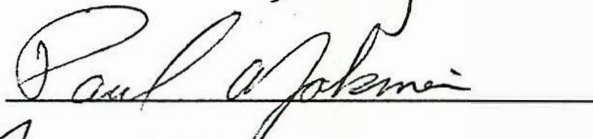
(4) Repeal of Prior Resolutions and Ordinances. Any resolution or ordinance herein before adopted by the County Board inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent necessary to fulfill the intent of this ordinance.

(5) Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force upon passage and publication.

Dated at the City of Ashland, Wisconsin this 22nd day of May, 1986.











(This resolution is submitted by the Public Property and Law Enforcement Committee)