

ORDINANCE NO. 11

CASWELL COUNTY

CIVIL PREPAREDNESS EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR WAR

ORDINANCE

The County of Caswell ordains:

ARTICLE I - OFFICE OF CIVIL PREPAREDNESS

Section (a). Short Title.

This ordinance shall be known and may be cited and referred to as the "Civil Preparedness Ordinance of the County of Caswell."

Section (b). Intent.

(1) It is the intent of this Ordinance to establish an office that will insure the complete and efficient utilization of all of the community's resources to combat disaster from natural causes such as tornadoes, floods, fire and earthquakes; or from those caused by man such as industrial explosions, aircraft accidents, civil disturbances, and the like; or from enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action.

(2) The Office of Civil Preparedness will be the coordinating agency for all activity in connection with the community's emergency preparedness. The coordinator, as a staff official, will advise and provide recommendations to the Board of Commissioners and the Manager as to actions to be taken in coping with the disaster situation.

(3) This Ordinance will not relieve any government department of its responsibilities or authority nor will it adversely affect the work of any volunteer agency organized for relief in emergencies.

Section (c). Authority and References.

a. North Carolina Civil Preparedness Act of 1951, as amended (General Statutes Chapter 166).

b. The Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended (Public Law 81-920).

c. The Federal Disaster Relief Act of 1974, as amended (Public Law 93-288).

Section (d). Policy and Purpose.

Because of the existing and ever present possibility of the occurrence of disasters of significant size and large scale destructiveness and in order to insure that preparations of this community will be adequate to deal with such disasters, and to provide for the general welfare, health and safety, and to preserve the lives and property of the people of this community, it is hereby found and declared to be necessary:

- a. To establish an Office of Civil Preparedness;
- b. To recognize the responsibilities of local government and the emergency powers conferred upon the local governing body by the North Carolina General Statutes;
- c. To provide for the exchange of mutual aid among neighboring cities and counties' and
- d. To recognize the importance of coordinating to the maximum extent all civil preparedness functions of this community with comparable functions of the State and Federal governments, including their various departments and agencies, and of other localities as well as private agencies of every type, to the end that the most effective preparation and use may be made of all available resources for dealing with any disasters that may occur.

Section (e). Organization.

There is hereby established an Office of Civil Preparedness with a Coordinator as the Office head. The Coordinator will be responsible to the Board of Commissioners and to the County Manager. The Coordinator as Office head shall be responsible and accountable for the emergency planning, administration, organization and operation of emergency preparedness functions of the community before, during, and after disasters. He shall act as local government's

coordinator with the civil preparedness representatives of other counties and/or cities as well as those of State and Federal governments.

Section (f). All ordinances or portion of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

THIS THE 7th DAY OF MARCH, 1977.



*John B. Woods*  
John B. Woods, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners

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Clerk to the Board

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