

A RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
FORMATION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY-WIDE
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

WHEREAS, there is an existing and increasing possibility of the occurrence of destruction resulting from enemy attack, sabotage, or other hostile action, or from natural and man-made disasters, and it is necessary to insure that county-wide preparation will be adequate to deal with such hazards and generally to provide for the common defense, and to protect the public peace, health, safety and general welfare, and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the county; and

WHEREAS, the present state of military and civil technology has created emergency management problems substantially beyond the scope of any local political subdivision or organization within the county in that the effects of a hazard upon the county may readily create county-wide, rather than community-wide, problems; and

WHEREAS, the coordination of emergency management services for Medina County is of paramount importance to all of the local political subdivisions therein; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned political subdivisions desires to effect such necessary coordination by creating an emergency management agency, in the manner provided by law, Ohio Revised Code Section 5915.06 as amended, with the power to coordinate and unify the emergency management activities of the participants herein; and

WHEREAS, it is further declared to be the purpose of this resolution/ordinance and the policy of the participants hereto, that all emergency management functions of the participants be coordinated to the maximum extent with comparable functions of the State of Ohio and of the Federal government, including their various departments and agencies, and other states and localities, and of private agencies of every type, to the end that the most effective preparation and use can be made of the participants manpower, resources and facilities for dealing with any disaster or emergency situation that may occur; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby found and declared to be necessary to create a county-wide emergency management agency to be known as the "Medina County-Wide Emergency Management Agency"; to confer upon the county-wide advisory group and executive committee and the director of emergency management, certain emergency powers provided herein; and to provide for the rendering of cooperation and mutual aid, if necessary, to surrounding and contiguous political subdivisions of the State and adjoining states;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That an organization to be known as the "Medina County-Wide Emergency Management Agency" be formed to perform the services of coordinating the emergency management activities within the County of Medina, by and between the political subdivisions herein, in accordance with the provisions hereinafter set forth and that this board/council enter into such an agreement.

2. That the Medina County-Wide Emergency Management Agency, hereby authorized, is to render the service of coordinating the emergency management activities of the parties hereto and to exercise for and on behalf of each party hereto such power and authority incident thereto as it may lawfully do, consistent with State statutes and such regulations as have been or shall be promulgated by the Governor of the State, the provisions of this resolution/ordinance as hereinafter set forth, and the power of the parties hereto authorized, in coordinating such emergency management activities with and within Medina County.

3. That there shall be established, pursuant to this agreement, a county-wide advisory group, composed of a representative from each political subdivision entering into this agreement selected by the political subdivisions' chief executive, which group shall have such authority as provided for in Chapter 5915 of the Ohio Revised Code.

4. That there shall be established an executive committee, which committee shall be composed of two Medina County Commissioners, one non-elected representative to be selected annually by the Board of Medina County Commissioners, three members chosen annually by a majority of cities, two members chosen annually by a majority of townships, and one member chosen annually by a majority of villages. The executive committee shall meet upon the call of the chairman or upon the request of the director of emergency management with five members constituting a quorum for official action, and shall have such authority as provided for in Chapter 5915 of the Ohio Revised Code.

5. That the executive committee shall employ, by suitable contract or appointment if a volunteer is found, a director of emergency management, whose duties shall be such as are prescribed by Chapter 5915 of the Ohio Revised Code as amended, and as further prescribed herein and who shall hold office in accordance with the provisions of said contract or, if a volunteer, during the pleasure of the executive committee. The director may appoint, from time to time, a deputy director and/or such other assistants as the director deems advisable, who shall hold office during his pleasure. The director and the assistants to the director shall not be compensated for services rendered unless approved by action of the executive committee. The director may, with the prior consent of the executive committee, employ such technical, clerical, stenographic and other personnel as deemed necessary and fix their compensation when they are to be compensated. The salary of the director and the salaries of other paid personnel shall be paid from the Medina County-Wide Emergency Management Agency fund.

6. That the executive committee shall prepare a budget for each year, under such rules and regulations as it may prescribe. Such rules and regulations shall include provisions for a hearing involving all participating political subdivisions, and for adjustments to be made to such budget. The funds provided for in said budget and all other funds received from whatever source, or by whatever means, for emergency management by the Medina County-Wide Emergency Management Agency shall be paid to the Treasurer of Medina County into a special fund to be known as the "Medina County-Wide Emergency Management Agency Fund."

7. That the executive committee shall have general direction of the Medina County-Wide Emergency Management Agency and shall be responsible for the carrying out of the provisions of this agreement through the director of emergency management. In performing duties pursuant to this agreement, the executive committee is authorized to cooperate with other political subdivisions, with the State of Ohio, with other states and the Federal government through appropriate channels, and with private agencies in all matters pertaining to emergency management activities of Medina County, the State and the Nation.

8. That the director shall have the power, with consent of the executive committee, during time of disaster and during time of hazard or civil defense emergency, to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to alleviate and minimize the effects of such hazard or emergency, to protect the lives and safety of persons and property and to provide emergency assistance to the victims of such hazard or emergency.

9. That each participating political subdivision hereto agrees, after approval by it of the budget proposed by the executive committee, to pay into the Medina County Emergency Management Agency Fund, promptly upon demand and invoice therefore, that amount assessed against it, based upon the annual itemized report on distribution of estimated undivided local government funds required by O.R.C. §5747.51(J) for the undivided local government fund, the County's proportionate share being increased to include the percentage established for the park districts, and to do and perform all and singular, the obligations herein assumed.

10. That this agreement may be amended or altered at any time by a majority of the parties hereto.

11. That this agreement shall be in full force and effect when no less than a majority of the political subdivision within Medina County, including the Board of County Commissioners of Medina County, shall have subscribed to the agreement by adopting a like resolution/ordinance and shall continue in full force and effect thereafter unless and until a majority of political subdivisions or the County of Medina are no longer participating in said agreement.

12. That this agreement may be terminated as to any party hereto by action of its legislative authority and service of written notice thereof on the director of emergency management within thirty (30) days after the adoption of the budget for the ensuing fiscal year of the agency.

For the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof, this resolution/ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in full force and effect upon passage by the Board of County Commissioners of Medina County, and by the respective legislative bodies of the majority of the political subdivisions within Medina County, Ohio.

Date: _____

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

Title: _____
City of Brunswick

Title: _____
City of Wadsworth

Title: _____
Village of Briarwood Beach

Title: _____
Village of Gloria Glens Park

Title: _____
Village of Seville

Title: _____
Village of Westfield Center

Title: _____
Township of Brunswick Hills

Title: _____
Township of Granger

Title: _____
Township of Harrisville

Title: _____
Township of Homer

Title: _____
Township of Litchfield

Title: _____
Township of Medina

Title: _____
City of Medina

Title: _____
City of Rittman

Title: _____
Village of Chippewa On The Lake

Title: _____
Village of Lodi

Title: Mayor - Schrey
Village of Spencer
Robert M. Welf. Clerk.

Title: _____
Township of Chatham

Title: _____
Township of Guilford

Title: _____
Township of Hinckley

Title: _____
Township of Lafayette

Title: _____
Township of Liverpool

Title: _____
Township of Montville

Title: _____
Township of Sharon

Title: _____
Township of Wadsworth

Title: _____
Township of York

Title: _____
Township of Spencer

Title: _____
Township of Westfield

PERCENTAGE SHARE OF EXPENSES INCURRED BY
A COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

<u>CITY</u>		<u>%</u>
	Brunswick	13.88
	Medina	10.61
	Wadsworth	9.80
	Total City	34.29
<u>TOWNSHIP</u>		
	Brunswick Hills	1.31
	Chatham	.55
	Granger	.88
	Guilford	.67
	Harrisville	.49
	Hinckley	2.07
	Homer	.39
	Lafayette	1.00
	Litchfield	.69
	Liverpool	.88
	Medina	.99
	Montville	1.18
	Sharon	1.12
	Spencer	.46
	Wadsworth	.92
	Westfield	.59
	York	.80
	Total Village	14.99
<u>VILLAGE</u>		
	Briarwood Beach	.51
	Chippewa	.48
	Gloria Glens	.48
	Lodi	2.28
	Seville	1.43
	Spencer	.41
	Westfield Center	.46
	Total Township	6.05
<u>COUNTY</u>		
	Medina County	37.35
	Park District	7.32
	Total County	44.67*
	GRAND TOTAL	100.00

*MEDINA COUNTY PERCENTAGE WILL INCLUDE THE PARK
DISTRICT PERCENTAGE FOR A TOTAL OF 44.67%