

## **CHAPTER 7 CIVILIAN DEFENSE**

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### **Sec. 7-1. Purpose of chapter.**

The declared purposes of this chapter are to provide for the preparation and carrying out of plans for the civil defense of persons and property within the town in the event of a national emergency, and to provide for the coordination of civil defense functions of the town with all public agencies and affected private persons, corporations and organizations. Any expenditures made in connection with such civil defense activities shall be deemed conclusively to be for the direct protection and benefit of the inhabitants and property of the town. (1967 Code by Ordinance 519 aka E-34, effective 5/7/1967)

### **Sec. 7-2. Definition.**

For purposes of this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, "Civil Defense" shall include measures necessary to provide for the mobilization, organization and direction of civilian populace and necessary support agencies to prevent or minimize the effects of national emergencies. (1967 Code by Ordinance 519 aka E-34, effective 5/7/1967)

### **Sec. 7-3. Civilian defense director - office created.**

During national emergencies, there shall be a director of civilian defense of the town. (Ordinance 20 effective 5/19/1942)

### **Sec. 7-4. Same - powers and authority.**

The director of civilian defense shall have:

- (a) Full power and authority to organize, coordinate, train and direct the various agencies of civilian defense within the corporate limits of the town;
- (b) Full and complete control of said agencies during all periods of attack by hostile forces, imminent danger of such attack and periods of blackouts, and all agencies of the town shall, during such periods, be subject to his order and control and give him full cooperation.
- (c) Authority to appoint such deputies and assistants and delegate such power to the same as may be requisite for the proper functioning of said office and he shall have full power to organize said agencies and to prescribe and carry out training there for at such times as it is, in his opinion, necessary and desirable so to do, and during said training periods, all the agencies of the town shall give him full cooperation.

(Ordinance 20 effective 5/19/1942)

### **Sec. 7-5. Ex officio director.**

Such person as shall be appointed as director of civilian defense for Talbot County, Maryland, by the county commissioners of Talbot County, Maryland or other competent authority, shall be ex officio the director of civilian defense of the town with the full powers set forth in this chapter. (Ordinance 20 effective 5/19/1942)

