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CHAPTER 1

SCHOOLS

SECTION

20-101. Control of school property.

20-101. Control of school property. All of the public school property situated within the corporate limits of the City of Trenton, Tennessee, or owned by the City of Trenton, Tennessee, shall be under the authority, management and control of the Trenton Special School District¹ subject to the following conditions:

(1) Said property shall be used exclusively for school activities and functions and shall not be used by any other persons or agencies without approval of the City Council of the City of Trenton, Tennessee.

(2) At such time as any building ceases to be used as a public school building by the Trenton Special School District, then the management and control of said property shall revert to the City Council of the City of Trenton, Tennessee. (1983 Code, § 1-1001)

¹The Trenton Special School District was created by Priv. Acts 1975, ch. 144.

CHAPTER 2

CIVIL DEFENSE ORGANIZATION

SECTION

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20-201. Created. There is hereby created the Gibson County Civil Defense Organization, which shall be a joint operation by the City of Trenton and the County of Gibson for the purpose of organizing and directing civil defense for the citizens of the entire county. All other civil defense agencies within the corporate limits of Gibson County shall be considered as a total part of the countywide civil defense emergency resources and when such agencies operate out of their corporate limits it shall be at the direction of, subordinate to, and a part of the Gibson County Civil Defense. (1983 Code, § 1-1101)

20-202. Authority and responsibilities. (1) Authority. In accordance with federal and state enactments of law, the Gibson County Civil Defense Organization is hereby authorized to assist the regular government of the county and governments of all political subdivisions therein, as may be necessary due to enemy caused emergency or natural disasters, including but not limited to: storms, floods, fires, explosions, tornadoes, hurricanes, drought or peacetime man-made disasters, which might occur affecting the lives, health, safety, welfare and property of the citizens of Gibson County. The Gibson County Civil Defense Organization is hereby authorized to perform such duties and functions as may be necessary on account of said disasters. The Gibson County Civil Defense Organization is hereby designated the official agency to assist regular forces in time of said emergencies.

(2) Responsibilities. The Gibson County Civil Defense Organization shall be responsible for preparation and readiness against enemy caused and natural emergencies arising in Gibson County, to establish and coordinate emergency plans, forces, means, and resources, and is hereby designated the official agency to establish such emergency plans. (1983 Code, § 1-1102)

20-203. Office of director, 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 and county judge or either or 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, subject to the approval of the chief executive officers of the city and county.

(2) Responsibility of the director. The director shall be responsible to the chief executive officers of the city and county for the preparation of all plans and administrative regulations and for recruitment and training of personnel. (1983 Code, § 1-1103)

20-204. Civil defense corps created. The Gibson County 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. (1983 Code, § 1-1104)

20-205. Municipal or private liability. The exercise of duties prescribed in this document is an exercise by the city and county of its governmental functions for the protection of the public peace, health and safety and neither the City of Trenton nor Gibson County, the agents and representatives of said city and county 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 for the purpose of sheltering persons during an actual, impending or practice 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. (1983 Code, § 1-1105)

20-206. Expenses of civil defense. No person shall have the right to expend any public funds of the city or county in carrying out any civil defense activities authorized by this document without prior approval by the governing bodies of the city or county or both; nor shall any person have any right to bind the city or county by contract, agreement or otherwise without prior and specific approval by the governing body of the city and/or county or both. The civil defense director shall disburse such monies as may be provided annually by appropriation of the city and county for the operation of the civil defense

organization. He shall be responsible for the preparation and submission of a budget with recommendations as to its adoption by the city and county. All funds shall be disbursed upon vouchers properly executed by the director of civil defense, subject to audit by either the City of Trenton or Gibson County. 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, such funds becoming liable for audit by the city or county. (1983 Code, § 1-1106)

CHAPTER 3**CITY CEMETERY¹****SECTION**

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20-301. Sale of cemetery plots. The city recorder shall sell any cemetery plot at the rate authorized by city council. No plot shall be sold without the corresponding charge for perpetual care. (1983 Code, § 12-301)

20-302. Malicious mischief. It shall be unlawful for any person to wilfully, maliciously or wantonly damage, deface, destroy, remove or tamper with any monument or grave marker or the maintenance building, gate or fence within the Oakland Cemetery, or to remove flowers, wreathes, vases, etc., without specific approval from the family of the deceased. (1983 Code, § 12-303)

20-303. Snow sleds and certain motorized vehicles prohibited. Snow sleds, motorcycles, three-wheelers, four-wheelers, motor scooters, carts, and ATV's are prohibited within Oakland Cemetery. (1983 Code, § 12-304, as replaced by Ord. #227, Feb. 2001)

20-304. Loitering. It shall be unlawful to loiter, loaf or idle in, upon or about Oakland Cemetery. (1983 Code, § 12-305)

20-305. Access to cemetery. To protect the cemetery property and monuments and to deter vandalism, the cemetery gates will be closed from dusk until dawn each day, and no one will be permitted in the cemetery during those hours. (as added by Ord. #227, Feb. 2001)

20-306. Monuments required. All graves must be marked with a stone monument within one year of burial. (as added by Ord. #227, Feb. 2001)

¹Charter references: §§ 2,8, and 10B53.

20-307. Graveside maintenance. No permanent trees, flowers, bushes and the like may be planted at gravesites. No permanent items of ornamentation may be placed on gravesites except a headstone and/or footstone. No fences, walls, or the like may be erected around gravesites without prior approval from the city council. No breakable containers or novelty items may be placed on gravesites. (as added by Ord. #227, Feb. 2001, and replaced by Ord. #269, June 2011)

20-308. Pets prohibited. No pets shall be allowed in the cemetery. (as added by Ord. #227, Feb. 2001)