

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, SECTION 46 OF THE REVISED
GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE
(EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is update the provisions of the Township Municipal Code to reflect the current name of the entity responsible for emergency management within the Township of West Orange and to formally establish a Community Emergency Response Team within the Office of Emergency Management under the supervision of the Township Emergency Management Coordinator.

II. CHAPTER 2, SECTION 46 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

2-46 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

There shall be a Office of Emergency Management pursuant to law (Chapter 438 of the 1956 Laws of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. App. A:9-41) and a Coordinator of the Office of Emergency Management to be appointed by the Mayor. The Coordinator of the Office of Emergency Management shall be a resident of the Township and have working knowledge of all emergency service disciplines, including, but not limited to public safety, fire suppression, health and welfare, and public works and utilities. . All departments of the Township government shall cooperate with and assist the Office of Emergency Management as required.

III. CHAPTER 2, SECTION 46.1 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

2-46.1 Community Emergency Response Team.

A Community Emergency Response Team is hereby established in the Township of West Orange. The Community Emergency Response Team shall fall under the Office of Emergency Management and shall be under the supervision and control of the Office of Emergency Management Coordinator or the Coordinator's designee.

IV. CHAPTER 2, SECTION 46.2 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

2-46.2 Duties of the Community Emergency Response Team.

The Community Emergency Response Team shall provide volunteer services in the area of natural and other disasters under the direction of the Office of Emergency Management to

supplement the West Orange Police Department and the West Orange Fire Department and in response to any such disaster.

V. CHAPTER 2, SECTION 46.3 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

2-46.3 Membership in the Community Emergency Response Team.

The membership of the Community Emergency Response Team shall be comprised of volunteers subject to approval by the governing body upon the recommendation of the Office of Emergency Management Coordinator. All members of the Community Emergency Response Team shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age and either: (i) reside or (ii) work within the Township of West Orange.

VI. CHAPTER 2, SECTION 46.4 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

2-46.4 Training for the Community Emergency Response Team.

All members of the Community Emergency Response Team shall be required to receive approximately twenty (20) hours of basic-level training as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and will include training in:

- a. Disaster First Aid;
- b. Family Disaster Preparedness;
- c. Disaster Fire Suppression;
- d. Medical Operations;
- e. Operations in Response to Terrorists Incidents;
- f. Disaster Mental Health;
- g. Basic Emergency Management; and
- h. Skills Review and Disaster Simulation.

VII. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

VIII. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

IX. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

ROBERT D. PARISI, MAYOR

**JERRY GUARINO,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

KAREN J. CARNEVALE, R.M.C., MUNICIPAL CLERK

INTRODUCED: September 10, 2019

ADOPTED: September 24, 2019

Legislative History

The purpose of this ordinance is update the provisions of the Township Municipal Code to reflect the current name of the entity responsible for emergency management within the Township of West Orange and to formally establish a Community Emergency Response Team within the Office of Emergency Management under the supervision of the Township Emergency Management Coordinator.