

Shelby County Board
Resolution No. _____

WHEREAS, in order to provide more effective emergency services to citizens and visitors of Shelby County waterways; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that Shelby County have available trained SCUBA diving services for surface and underwater rescue, search, and recovery; and

WHEREAS, the Shelby County Board desires to form a volunteer team that is thoroughly trained, equipped, and ready to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, 50 ILCS 755, known as Water Rescue Act, authorizes County units of government to authorize, fund, and support such water rescue/recovery departments within their jurisdiction for the purposes of surface and underwater rescue and recovery;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the members of the Shelby County Board that the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team is hereby established.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team be placed under the oversight of the duly appointed members of the Shelby County Board's Public Safety Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Shelby County Public Safety Committee, acting as an oversight regulatory committee, will ensure compliance with all policies and procedures governing the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team as passed by the full Shelby County Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team Commander and the Assistant Commander(s) be duly appointed by the Shelby County Board Chairman with advice and consent of the full Shelby County Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team Commander shall create and coordinate training exercises and standards congruent to Emergency Response Diving International (ERDI) standards. The Shelby County Dive Rescue Team Commander shall ensure team members are current on such training standards and is responsible for maintaining such records that are to be reported, at minimum, semi-annually to the Public Safety Committee for review.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all training activities of the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team shall be documented in such fashion to establish the following:

1. The training objective.
2. The public purpose associated with the training.
3. The procedure used to objectively assess the effectiveness of the training.
4. Shelby County Dive Rescue Team Commander shall submit to the Public Safety Committee the proposed training at least 1(one) week prior to conducting any/all training.
5. Shelby County Dive Rescue Team Commander shall provide written report within 5(five) business days of any training activity, articulating to the Public Safety Committee, at a minimum; those members of the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team present at training, summary of the training activity along with beginning and end times of the training.
6. Shelby County Dive Rescue Team Commander shall provide such other requirements as determined necessary by the Public Safety Committee from time to time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in the event the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team Commander fails to comply with requirements as established above, the Chairman of the Public Safety Committee shall have power to remove the Commander, subject to a review by the full Shelby County Board upon application for such review from the Commander. The Commander shall have 5(five) business days to apply in writing, to the full Shelby County Board, for a review of such suspension.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in cases of emergency the Public Safety Chairman shall have full power to suspend operations of the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Shelby County as well as the health, safety and welfare of the members of the Shelby County Dive Rescue Team.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED at a special meeting of the Shelby County Board, Shelby County, State of Illinois on this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Shelby County Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Shelby County Clerk

Yea _____

Nay _____