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New Emergency Management Director Named

Michigan City, IN (February 20, 2003) – Mayor Sheila Brillson announced that John W. Jones has been named Director of the Michigan City Emergency Management Agency.

“John Jones is a highly qualified candidate which makes him an exceptional choice for the position of Emergency Management Director,” Mayor Brillson said.

From 1978 through 1996, Mr. Jones held various positions with the LaPorte County Emergency Medical Service, progressing from technician and paramedic to field operations manager. Mr. Jones was Administrator of the EMS for three years. He has experience in managing emergency scenes, creating and implementing infection control plans, and managing staff members in difficult situations.

The duties of the Emergency Management Director include implementing the Emergency Operations Plan, coordinating activities of local government, private support agencies, and citizens. It includes designing and conducting training exercises, writing grants, developing public education and public relations activities, as well as recruiting, training, and supervising volunteers.

Mayor Brillson said, “John Jones brings many skills to this position. He has significant experience in providing training to various agencies. I am confident that he will be very successful in directing and coordinating programs to provide specialized emergency management services in response to any disasters that affect citizens and property in Michigan City.”

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