## TORNADO POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR VILLAGE OF DENMARK

If the National Weather Service (NWS) issues a tornado or severe weather warning and your work area is affected, prepare to seek shelter as necessary. Monitor NOAA website or news media for up-to-date weather information.

NOTE: The Emergency Sirens are intended to notify people outdoors that severe weather warnings have been issued by the NWS. They are not intended to notify persons indoors. Also, WARNING sirens are activated only in the areas predicted to be in the path of the severe weather. So when this alarm is sounded, seek shelter immediately.

- 1. If Outdoors: If traveling or working outdoors, seek inside shelter. If unable to go indoors, lie flat in the nearest ditch, ravine or culvert and shield your head with your hands. Do NOT stay in your vehicle.
- 2. If in an unfamiliar building: Seek shelter away from windows, preferably in a small interior room, in the SW corner on the lowest level. Avoid load bearing walls & large spans of roof.
- 3. Plan for shelter when a storm WATCH is issued. Be attentive to conditions during storm season & in inclement weather. Keep tuned to the NWS station, web site, or local radio station for weather updates.
- 4. In Village facilities where tornado shelters are designated, the shelter area should have a weather radio or some type of communication device to be informed of the cancellation.

The designated shelter areas for the Village Hall are:

- 1. The vault
- The basement

If the tornado warning siren goes off, take shelter in the vault, and make sure you have a radio or your smart phone to be informed of the cancellation.

Signed:

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