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July 31, 2025

To All Winnebago County E911 Users:

Enclosed is the **JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT** which is required by State Statute 256.35(9). The Statute requires an annual renewal of the Agreement. Space is provided for signing by your City Mayor and Clerk, Town/Village Chairman and Clerk or other designee.

Please do the following:

1. Sign, date, and return the **Original** to me no later than **November 7th, 2025** in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Please remember to put **postage** on your envelope before mailing it back.
Please **Do Not** fax the document as we need to have the **original** copy.
Please **Do Not** staple the document.

2. Please make a copy of the agreement for your records.

Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John F. Matz".

Sheriff John F. Matz

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enc.

**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
WINNEBAGO COUNTY 911 EMERGENCY SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, Winnebago County and the municipalities located within the boundaries of Winnebago County have implemented an Emergency 911 System for the purposes of providing emergency services to residents and visitors of these municipalities, including fire fighting, law enforcement, ambulance, medical and other emergency services; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 256.35(9), Wis. Stats. "Joint Powers Agreement", requires that in implementing a 911 system as has been done in Winnebago County, municipalities shall annually enter into a Joint Powers Agreement, which Agreement shall be applicable on a daily basis and which shall provide that if an emergency services vehicle is dispatched in response to a request through the Winnebago County 911 System, such vehicle shall render its services to the persons needing the services, regardless of whether the vehicle is operating outside the vehicle's normal jurisdictional boundaries.

THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, agreements, and conditions contained herein, it is hereby jointly agreed between Winnebago County and the **Town of Clayton**, municipality", as follows:

1. That effective **December 1, 2025**, this Agreement shall, thereafter, be applicable on a daily basis from said date through **November 30, 2026**.
2. That if an emergency services vehicle operated by the municipality, or operated by an agency with which the municipality contracts for that particular emergency service, is dispatched in response to a request through the Winnebago County Emergency 911 System, such vehicle (whether owned and operated by the municipality or by the agency) shall render its services to the persons needing the services, regardless of whether the vehicle is operating outside the vehicle's normal jurisdictional (or as defined by contract) boundaries.
3. That a Winnebago County Communications and Information System Advisory Committee shall be established to develop and recommend policy and procedures in an advisory capacity for emergency services communications and public safety records management issues in Winnebago County. A User's Guide that was developed in 1994 has been updated as necessary, and includes directives and guidelines for the proper use of E911 communication devices (which may include, but not be limited to, radios, computers, mobile data devices and pagers). Violation of User Guide directives could result in disciplinary action being imposed by the employing agency. The committee will be charged to effectively recommend equipment/software purchases and resource allocation with the authority to develop sub-committees as needed to accomplish that task. The committee may develop special ad-hoc, advisory task forces to research

regional communication network(s) with neighboring public safety departments or other County E911 Systems. The Advisory Committee will report to the County Executive and service that position in an advisory nature. Membership on the Advisory Committee shall consist of 9 representatives (appointed by the County Executive) from the following:

4 – Police Agency (separate departments) Representatives (normally the Police Chief or his/her designee).

4 – Fire Agency (separate departments) Representatives (normally the Fire Chief or his/her designee).

1 – Emergency Government Representative.

The Advisory Committee shall elect one Chair and Vice-Chair each year commencing in January.

4. That a copy of this Agreement shall be filed with the State Department of Justice, as required by Sec. 256.35 (9)(c), Wis. Stats.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY

By: 
Winnebago County Executive
Gordon Hintz

Date: 7.25.2025

By: 
County Clerk
Julie Barthels

Date: 7.23.2025

TOWN OF CLAYTON

By: _____
Town Chairman

Date: _____

By: _____
Town Clerk

Date: _____