

CHAPTER 4

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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4.01 POLICE DEPARTMENT.

- (1) **PERSONNEL.** The Police Department of the City shall consist of the Chief of Police and such police officers as the Common Council may prescribe by ordinance, resolution or motion.
- (2) **SALARY: COLLECTION OF FEES.** The Chief of Police and the police officers of the City shall receive a salary and such benefits as are fixed by the Common Council and shall not be entitled to any other compensation. All fees, bail deposits and other special remuneration or funds collected or received by the Department or any officer thereof shall be deposited with the Treasurer or other appropriate court or agency, not less than weekly.
- (3) **TENURE OF CHIEF, POLICE OFFICERS.** The Chief of Police and other members of the police department may be removed from office as provided by s. 17.12(1)(c) & (d), Stats.

4.02 CHIEF OF POLICE, DUTIES AND POWERS.

- (1) The Chief of Police shall have command of the police force of the City under the direction of the Mayor. It is the duty of the Chief to obey all lawful written orders of the Mayor or Common Council. The chief and each policeman shall possess the powers, enjoy the privileges and be subject to the liabilities conferred and imposed by law upon constables, and be taken as included in all writs and papers addressed to constables; shall arrest with or without process and with reasonable diligence take before the municipal judge or other proper court every person found in the City engaged in any disturbance of the peace or violating any law of the state or ordinance of the City and may command all persons present in that case to assist, and if any person being so commanded, refuses or neglects to render assistance, the person shall forfeit not exceeding \$10. They shall collect the same fees prescribed for sheriffs in s. 814.70, Stats., for similar services.
- (2) The Chief of Police shall cause the public peace to be preserved and see that all laws and ordinances of the City and state are enforced, and whenever any violation thereof shall come to his knowledge, he shall cause the requisite complaint to be made and see that the evidence is procured for the successful prosecution of the offender or offenders.
- (3) He shall exercise supervisory control over the personnel of his Department, and may adopt, subject to the approval of the Council, rules and regulations for the government, discipline, equipment and uniforms of police officers.
- (4) He shall be solely responsible for the care and condition of the equipment used by his department.

- (5) He shall keep an accurate and complete record of all complaints, arrests, traffic violations, convictions and disposition of the Department.

4.03 POLICE OFFICERS

- (1) **GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES.** Each officer of the Department shall possess such powers conferred upon marshals and constables by law and shall preserve the public peace and enforce the laws and ordinances of the state and City subject to the orders, rules and regulations of the Chief, Mayor and the Common Council.
- (2) **POWER OF ARREST.** The Chief of Police and any police officer shall arrest all persons in the City found in the act of violating any law or ordinance of the City or state or aiding or abetting in such violation and they shall arrest without warrant all persons who they have reason to believe have violated any law or ordinance and who will not be apprehended unless immediately arrested, and shall take all arrested persons in charge and confine them and shall within a reasonable time bring such persons before the court having jurisdiction thereof to be dealt with according to law.

4.04 ASSISTING ESCAPE OF PRISONER.

No person shall assist any person in the custody of any police or peace officer to escape or attempt to escape. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Chapter shall be subject to a penalty as provided in Section 25.04 of this Code.

4.05 DESIGNATION OF SCHOOL CROSSINGS.

- (1) Subject to the approval of the Common Council, the Chief of Police is authorized to designate school crossings within the City.
- (2) Subject to the approval of the Common Council, the Chief of Police is authorized to appoint adult school crossing guards for the protection of pupils and other persons who are crossing highways within the City at school crossings.
- (3) Any person appointed as school crossing guards under this section shall be provided with safety clothing of his visibility which designates him or her as a school crossing guard. Further, such person shall be equipped with signs or signals to direct traffic to stop at such school crossings.