

CHAPTER 10 - THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

ARTICLE 1. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 101. PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR AND POLICE CHIEF APPOINTMENTS.

The City Manager shall appoint a Public Safety Director, who shall also be appointed the Chief of the Police Department subject to the confirmation of the City Council. (#1)

SECTION 101.1. DUTIES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR. The Public Safety Director shall have all of the duties as the Police Chief set forth in this Ordinance and the laws of the State of Maine, along with such other Police Department duties as may be assigned to the Public Safety Director by the City Manager. (#1)

SECTION 101.2. DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF. The City Manager shall appoint a Deputy Police Chief, subject to the confirmation of the City Council, who shall have the same duties as the Police Chief in the death, disability or absence of the Police Chief and such other duties as may be assigned to the Deputy Police Chief by the Director of Safety, subject to the approval of the City Manager. (#1)

SECTION 102. DUTIES OF THE POLICE CHIEF. The Police Chief shall be the commanding officer of the Police Department. The Police Chief shall:

SECTION 102.1. Be responsible for the enforcement of law and order.

SECTION 102.2. Direct the Police Department in providing service to the citizens of Brewer, to protect life and property. Specifically, to maintain peace, enforce laws and ordinances, detect, identify and apprehend criminals, prevent and investigate crimes; to regulate traffic; and perform services within their authority to improve the quality of life by providing security and safety to Brewer citizens.

SECTION 102.3. Cause the streets and ways of the City to be inspected regularly, and cause to be removed all nuisances, obstructions or impediments therein, causing offenders to be prosecuted when necessary to abate such nuisances.

SECTION 102.4. Cause to be observed, and reported immediately to the City Engineer, all defects and want of repair in streets and sidewalks.

SECTION 102.5. Receive and deliver all notices and paper to members of the City Council and to the City Manager and officers appointed by either, when requested by the City Clerk, and due return thereof.

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SECTION 102.6. Be responsible for the maintenance and care of all property used by the Police Department.

SECTION 102.7. Investigate, or cause to be investigated, the cause and circumstances of any accident occurring for which maybe liable, instruct all police officers to report to him such accidents; notify the City Manager promptly of such accidents.

SECTION 102.8. Investigate promptly all applicants for any license or permit when such application requires certification by the Police Chief, and either deliver promptly to the City Clerk a certificate approving such license or permit or promptly advise the City Clerk of his refusal to so certify.

SECTION 102.9. CONCEALED FIREARMS PERMITS. The Police Chief shall be the issuing authority charged with issuing concealed weapons permits to residents of the City in accordance with Title 25, M.R.S.A., Section 2003 et seq.; provided, however, that he or she may issue any such permits without charge to any Brewer police officers.

SECTION 103. SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS. Special Police Officers shall have all the powers vested according to the laws of the State of Maine; said special police Officers shall, however, serve only when and as specifically required by the Police Chief.

SECTION 103.1. They shall assist the Police Chief whenever called upon and whenever so called shall be compensated for services rendered, as the City Manager and Police Chief may determine.

SECTION 104. All equipment furnished by the City shall remain the property of the City.

SECTION 105. CROSSING GUARDS. The Superintendent of the Brewer School Department and the Chief of Police shall recommend to the City Manager the appointment of crossing guards. The City Manager shall appoint crossing guards from those persons recommended to serve from the first (1st) day of September of each year to the thirty-first (31st) day of August the following year.

SECTION 105.1. Crossing Guards shall be considered employees of the Brewer School Department and shall be paid by said department.

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SECTION 105.2. Crossing Guards shall perform their duties at such time and place as shall be determined by the Chief of Police and the Superintendent of the Brewer School Department.

SECTION 105.3. The City Manager may remove a crossing guard from his duties at any point in time, with or without cause.

End of Chapter Notations

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