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4.01 JOINT POLICE DEPARTMENT. (1) PERSONNEL. The Neosho/Rubicon/Ashippun Police Department created by agreement between the Village of Neosho and the Towns of Rubicon and Ashippun shall consist of the Chief of Police and such police officers as the Boards of said Village and Towns may prescribe by ordinance or resolution.

(2) **SALARIES.** The Chief and the police officers shall receive salaries as fixed by the participating municipalities and shall not be entitled to any other compensation.

(3) **DISPOSITION OF FEES.** All fees, bail deposits and other special remuneration or funds collected or received by the Department or any officers thereof shall be deposited with the Clerk of Courts or the respective Clerks or Clerk-Treasurers not less than weekly.

(4) **TENURE OF CHIEF AND POLICE OFFICERS.** After a 6 month probationary period, the Chief of Police and all police officers shall hold office during good behavior, subject to suspension or removal for cause by the Police Committee.

4.02 PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE. The Village President of the Village of Neosho and the Town Chairpersons of the Towns of Rubicon and Ashippun shall constitute the Protective Services Committee. The Committee, with the cooperation of the Police Chief, shall periodically review the policies of the Department and shall prepare the annual Police Department budget.

4.03 CHIEF OF POLICE, POWERS AND DUTIES. (1) The Chief shall possess the powers, enjoy the privileges and be subject to the liabilities conferred and imposed by law upon marshals and constables.

(2) He shall exercise supervisory control over all the personnel of his Department and may adopt, subject to the approval of the Protective Services Committee, rules and regulations for the government, discipline, equipment and uniforms of police officers.

(3) He shall obey all lawful written orders of the Neosho Village President and Village Board and the Town Chairpersons and Town Boards of the Towns of Rubicon and Ashippun.

(4) He shall cause the public peace to be preserved and see that all laws and ordinances of said Village and Towns and the 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.

(5) He shall be solely responsible for the care and condition of the equipment used by his Department.

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

(7) He shall submit a monthly report to said Village and Town Boards of activities and transactions of the Department during the preceding month.

(8) He shall promulgate rules and regulations for the operation of the Department, particularly the rules and regulations mandated by the legislature, subject to the approval of the Town Board.

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(9) He shall annually file the recommended Department budget with the Protective Services Committee.

4.04 POLICE OFFICERS. (1) **GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES.** Each officer of the Department shall possess the powers conferred on marshals and constables by law, shall preserve the public peace and shall enforce the laws and ordinances of the State and the said Village and Towns, subject to the orders, rules and regulations of the Chief.

(2) **POWER OF ARREST.** The Chief of Police and any police officer shall arrest any person in said Village or Towns found in the act of violating any law or ordinance of the Town or State or aiding or abetting in such violation, and they shall arrest, without warrant, all persons whom they have reasonable grounds to believe have violated any law or ordinance and who will not be apprehended unless immediately arrested, 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.

(3) **ASSISTING FIRE DEPARTMENTS.** Whenever necessary, any police officer shall assist the Fire Departments in maintaining order at the scene of a fire.

(4) **PERMITS AND LICENSES.** The police officers shall ensure that the necessary permits and licenses issued by the State or said Village and Towns are in the possession of or are properly displayed by any person engaged in an activity or business within the said Village or Towns for which a permit or license is required and that the terms of such license or permit are complied with.

4.05 MUTUAL ASSISTANCE. In accordance with §§66.1019(1) and 66.0513, Wis. Stats., and policies established by said Village and Town Boards, the Chief of Police may respond to requests for police personnel from Dodge County or any municipality or town within said County, and may request said jurisdictions to provide police personnel to said Village or Towns.

4.10 PENALTY. Any person who shall violate any provisions of this chapter or any rule, regulation or order made hereunder shall be subject to a penalty as provided in sec. 20.04 of this Code.