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POLICE PROTECTION

2-15-1 ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE. A Police Department is established to provide for preservation of the peace and enforcement of law within the corporate limits of this City. It is the purpose of the Chapter to create a Police Department.

(Ord. 407, Passed 1980)

2-15-2 DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION. The Police Department shall consist of all law enforcement officers performing duties authorized by law or ordinance. The department shall be headed by the Chief of Police, also known as Police Chief, appointed by the Mayor and City Administrator in conjunction with Ordinance 2-3-3 and 2-17-13 with the approval of the City Council. There may be an Assistant Police Chief who shall be appointed by the Chief of Police at the discretion of the Chief of Police, with the approval of the City Council. The term of office of the Police Chief shall be indefinite. The number of members of the Police Department shall be fixed by the City Council, from time to time, by resolution.

(Ord. 407, Passed 1980)

(Ord. 719, Passed 2012)

(Ord. 781. Passed 2024)

2-15-3 DUTIES OF THE POLICE CHIEF. It shall be the duty of the Police Chief:

1. To perform all duties of the Marshall or police Chief, which are required by State law and City ordinance.

2. To enforce all laws, ordinances and regulations and to bring all persons committing any offense before the proper courts.

3. To execute and return all writs and other processes directed to the Police Chief

4. To report all motor vehicle accidents investigated by the Department in the regular course of duty to the Iowa Department of Public Safety.

5. To have charge of conveying prisoners from the City to jail facilities.

6. To aid municipal officers in the execution of their official duties, when requested.

7. To execute orders of City boards and commissions; and to report to the Council upon the activities of the Police Department, when requested.

8. To be in command of all officers appointed for police work and to be responsible for the gear, maintenance and use of all vehicles and equipment for the Department.

9. To appoint one or more Assistant Police Chiefs, who may perform the duties of the Police Chief and shall be a member of the police force.

10. To make such rules, not in conflict with the provisions of this Chapter, as needed, for the detailed operation of the Police Department, subject to the approval of the Council. Such rules shall cover off-duty and on-duty conduct and activity of members, the wearing and care of the uniform, the use and practice with sidearms and other police weapons, the use of police radio and other communications, attendance at training meetings and such other matters as the police Chief determines to be necessary for the operation of the Police Department. The Police Chief shall see that the discipline and conduct of the Department conforms to the rules of the Department. In the event of an emergency, the Police Chief may make temporary rules for the protection of the system until due consideration by the Council may be had.

11. To direct or authorize a member of the Police Department to direct all traffic either in person or by means of visible or audible signal and to enforce all traffic and vehicular Ordinances and State law.

(Ord. 407, Passed 1980)

2-15-4 STANDARDS AND TRAINING. All police officers shall meet minimum standards required by State law. Further, all police officers shall have received the minimum training required by State law at an approved law enforcement training school within one year of employment.

(Ord. 407, Passed 1980)

(Ord. 719, Passed 2012)

2-15-5 REMOVAL, DEMOTION AND SUSPENSION. A police officer may be peremptorily removed, demoted or suspended by the Police Chief for neglect of duties, disobedience of orders, misconduct or failure to properly perform the duties but such officer shall have the right to a

hearing before the City Council and any removal, demotion or suspension action by the Police Chief shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 400, Code of Iowa, as amended.

2-15-6 CIVIL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. All qualification, appointments, promotions and preferences shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 400, Code of Iowa, as amended.

(Ord. 407, Passed 1980)

2-15-7 LIABILITY INSURANCE. The Council shall contract to insure against liability of the City or members of the Department for injuries, death or property damage arising out of and resulting from the performance of departmental duties.

(Ord. 407, Passed 1980)

RESERVE POLICE FORCE

2-15-8 PURPOSE. The purpose of this chapter is to create and establish a reserve police force and approve the regulation and by-laws for the reserve police force.

(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

2-15-9 FACTS FOUND. The City Council of the City of Camanche, Iowa, hereby makes the following finds that the establishing of a reserve police force as requested by the Chief of Police is in the best interest of the City, and the object of the Camanche police reserves shall be to assist the Chief of Police in any manner the Police Chief requests in promoting, creating, maintaining and protecting the health, safety, lives and property of the citizens of the City of Camanche, Iowa. The reserve police force shall serve until abolished by the City Council or the Chief of Police.

(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

2-15-10 MEMBERSHIP. Membership in said reserve police force shall be as authorized in the reserve by-laws, rules and regulations and shall be subject to the approval of the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police may, from time to time, modify or amend the by-laws, rules and regulations as they, in their sole discretion, may deem advisable. All rules, regulations or by-laws of said reserves shall be approved by the Chief of Police.

(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

(Ord. 781, Passed 2024)

2-15-11 REMOVAL OR DISCHARGES. The members of the reserves shall serve at the discretion of the Chief of Police and may be removed or discharged from said reserve at any time upon violation of any by-law, rule, or regulation adopted as aforesaid or upon recommendation of the reserve police Camanche staff.

(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

2-15-12 AUTHORITY OF POLICE DEPARTMENT AND MAYOR. The members of the reserves shall be subject to lawful orders of the Camanche Police Department.

(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

(Ord. 781, Passed 2024)

2-15-13 EMPLOYEE STATUS; SALARIES. Members of the reserves shall be considered employees of the City during those periods when they are performing police duties as authorized and directed by the Chief of Police or the assistant chief in the absence of the chief, and they shall

receive a salary of one dollar per year. However, said reserve members shall not be entitled to any benefits or obligations of the police retirements benefits or civil service
(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

2-15-14 CONFLICTING REGULATIONS REPEALED. Any rule, regulation or by-law of said reserve inconsistent with or in violation of the ordinance codified in this Chapter or the rules and regulations of the Camanche Police Department is hereby repealed.
(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

2-15-15 GROUNDS FOR DISMISSAL. No member of said police reserve shall violate the ordinances of the City of Camanche, Iowa, or the laws of the State of Iowa, or the United States of America, and such violation shall be grounds for summary dismissal.
(Ord. 667, Passed 2004)

2-15-16 FIREARMS RESTRICTIONS. Members of said reserves shall not, at any time, carry firearms except as provided by Section 80D.7 of the Code of Iowa.