

## POLICE ORDINANCE.

An ordinance of the Town of Machias, enacted at a Special Town Meeting on June 28, 1956.

## Article 3. Police Ordinance.

Section I. Each police officer of the Town of Machias shall complete and file with the Chief of Police a work sheet, provided for him by said Town, following each tour of duty assigned to him. No single work sheet shall contain more than one days duty report. Said work sheets shall provide spaces wherein the police officer shall show at thirty minute intervals his location and general details of what he is then doing. There shall also be allotted spaces for a report on investigations, arrests, ets., with appropriate room for notations which may be helpful in court procedures.

Section II. The Selectmen shall make, each year, a conscientious effort to enroll and send at least one police officer to the State Police School or some similar school.

There shall be at least one police officer on duty within the Town limits between the hours of twelve midnight and one-half hour before sunrise. At this time the officer then on duty shall be charged with the responsibility of diligently making rounds, keeping always on the alert for unlawful activity, fires, or other unusual activity.

The Town shall elect, at its annual meeting, one or more citizens of the Town, including the resident sheriff, and deputy sheriffs of the County of Washington, as Constables, to hold office till the next annual town meeting. Said Constables shall within seven days after being notified in writing by the Town Clerk of their election, qualify, under a penalty of five dollars and costs.

This Section shall in no way prevent the appointment of policemen, as provided by the laws of the State.

Section III. It shall be the duty of said Constable diligently to enforce the By-Laws of the Town. They shall be authorized to command assistance when necessary in the suppression of riots, tumults, disturbances or in the exercise of any of the duties of said office.

Any person neglecting or refusing to assist when thereto required, shall forfeit and pay a fine not exceeding five dollars and costs.

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