

ORDINANCE NO. 51-5

AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF BELLE MEADE, AND SETTING FORTH THE ORGANIZATION AND COMPOSITION OF SUCH DEPARTMENT, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF ITS MEMBERS, AND FOR THEIR DUTIES, POWERS AND PAY, AND FOR ARREST OF PERSONS; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF BELLE MEADE, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby created a Police Department of the City of Belle Meade, over which Department the City Manager shall have administrative supervision, authority, direction and control. Subject to the administrative supervision, authority, direction and control of the City Manager, the department shall be under the direct supervision of the Chief of Police, who shall be responsible to the City Manager for all activities of the Police Department.

Section 2. In the Police Department, the following positions are hereby created, the salary set opposite each position being hereby fixed as the minimum salary for each position, payable on the 1st and 15th day of each month:

1. Chief of Police. . . . . \$150.00
2. Patrolmen. . . . . 90.00

The Chief of Police and the patrolmen, as provided for herein, shall be appointed by and serve under the City Manager, and he shall have authority to employ and discharge them.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police, and of the members of the Police Force to preserve order in the City, protect the inhabitants and property owners therein from violence, crime and criminal acts, prevent the commission of crime, violation of law and of the City ordinances and perform all the duties generally discharged by police, including patrolling the streets and public ways of the City to discourage and apprehend violators of the State safety regulations.

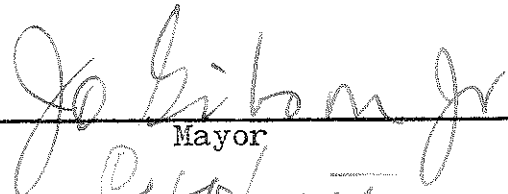
Section 4. In time of riot or other emergency, the police force may be increased by the Mayor of the City of Belle Meade, who shall be authorized to summon any number of male inhabitants of the City to assist the police force.

Section 5. The Chief of Police and the patrolmen of the City of Belle Meade shall, whenever it may be necessary for the enforcement

of the State traffic laws, procure the issuance of warrants, serve the same and appear in the Court of General Sessions and/or the Criminal Court of Davidson County, as prosecutors, relieving complaining citizens insofar as is practicable of instituting proceedings, or appearing as witnesses in cases involving violation of the State traffic laws and safety regulations, but this Section shall not be construed as relieving any person from the duty of appearing in Court or testifying in any case.

Section 6. The Chief of Police and the patrolmen of the City of Belle Meade may, in addition to their status as police, also be appointed deputies Sheriff of Davidson County, and hold such office.

Section 7. Any person who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and fined not less than five, nor more than Fifty Dollars by a Court of competent jurisdiction upon being found guilty of such violation.



Mayor



Vice-Mayor



Commissioner



City Recorder

Passed First Reading  
November 5, 1951

Passed Second Reading  
November 7, 1951

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