

TITLE 6

LAW ENFORCEMENT

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CHAPTER 1

POLICE AND ARREST¹

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6-101. Policemen subject to chief's orders. All policemen shall obey and comply with such orders and administrative rules and regulations as the police chief may officially issue. (1983 Code, § 1-401)

6-102. Policemen to preserve law and order, etc. Policemen shall preserve law and order within the Town of White Bluff. They shall patrol the Town of White Bluff and shall assist the city court during the trial of cases. Policemen shall also promptly serve any legal process issued by the city court. (1983 Code, § 1-402)

6-103. Policemen to wear uniforms and be armed. All policemen shall wear such uniform and badge as the town council shall authorize and shall carry a service pistol and billy club at all times while on duty unless otherwise expressly directed by the chief for a special assignment. (1983 Code, § 1-403)

¹Municipal code reference

Traffic citations, etc.: title 15, chapter 7.

6-104. When policemen to make arrests¹. Unless otherwise authorized or directed in this code or other applicable law, an arrest of the person shall be made by a policeman in the following cases:

- (1) Whenever he is in possession of a warrant for the arrest of the person.
- (2) Whenever an offense is committed or a breach of the peace is threatened in the officer's presence by the person.
- (3) Whenever a felony has in fact been committed and the officer has reasonable cause to believe the person has committed it. (1983 Code, § 1-404)

6-105. Policemen may require assistance in making arrests. It shall be unlawful for any male person willfully to refuse to aid a policeman in making a lawful arrest when such a person's assistance is requested by the policeman and is reasonably necessary to effect the arrest. (1983 Code, § 1-405)

6-106. Disposition of persons arrested. Unless otherwise authorized by law, when any person is arrested for any offense other than one involving drunkenness he shall be brought before the city court for immediate trial or allowed to post bond. However, any person arrested for a traffic violation who has in his lawful possession a valid driver's license issued by the State of Tennessee or any other state or territory or the District of Columbia shall have the option of depositing his/her driver's license with the officer or court demanding bail or other security, unless the penalty for the violation includes the mandatory revocation of the driver's license for a period of time. When the arrested person is drunk or when the city judge is not immediately available or the alleged offender is not able to post the required bond, he shall be confined. (1983 Code, § 1-406)

6-107. Police department records. The police department shall keep a comprehensive and detailed daily record in permanent form, showing:

- (1) All known or reported offenses and/or crimes committed within the corporate limits of the Town of White Bluff.
- (2) All arrests made by policemen.
- (3) All police investigations made, funerals convoyed, fire calls answered, and other miscellaneous activities of the police department. (1983 Code, § 1-407)

6-108. Emergency assistance policy.¹ The emergency assistance policy presented by the fire and police departments is hereby approved. (1983 Code, § 1-408)

¹Ordinance #90, authorizes an emergency assistance policy for the fire and police departments. This policy is of record in the office of the recorder.

6-109. Animal control officer. An animal control officer may be appointed to serve the town from time to time in the discretion of the council. The animal control officer's duties shall be restricted to the enforcement of the provisions of title 10 of this municipal code. The animal control officer shall be under the supervision and shall obey and comply with the orders of the police chief and the mayor and otherwise comply with such administrative rules and regulations as may be promulgated from time to time. The animal control officer shall have authority to issue citations and enforce the terms of the animal control ordinances, but shall in no event have the authority to make arrests. (as added by Ord. #252, April 2006)

6-110. Impoundment of vehicles. (1) Members of the police department are hereby authorized, when reasonably necessary for the security of the vehicle or to prevent obstruction of traffic, to remove from the streets and impound any vehicle whose operator is arrested or any unattended vehicle which is parked, so as to constitute an obstruction or hazard to normal traffic. Any impounded vehicle shall be stored until the owner or other person entitled thereto claims it, gives satisfactory evidence of ownership or right to possession, and pays all applicable fees and costs or until it is otherwise lawfully disposed of. The fee for impounding a vehicle shall be equal to the fee charged by the wrecker service who tows the vehicle. The storage cost of the impounded vehicle shall be thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) per day for each motor vehicle stored in the impoundment lot. Any part of a day shall count as a whole day.

(2) Amendment to fees. The Council for the Town of White Bluff can change the storage cost fee of an impounded vehicle only by ordinance. (as added by Ord. #394, July 2018 *Ch2_5-7-19*)

CHAPTER 2

WORKHOUSE¹

SECTION

- 6-201. County workhouse to be used.
- 6-202. Inmates to be worked.
- 6-203. Compensation of inmates.

6-201. County workhouse to be used. The county workhouse is hereby designated as the municipal workhouse, subject to such contractual arrangement as may be worked out with the county. (1983 Code, § 1-601)

6-202. Inmates to be worked. All persons committed to the workhouse, to the extent that their physical condition shall permit, shall be required to perform such public work or labor as may be lawfully prescribed for the county prisoners. (1983 Code, § 1-602)

6-203. Compensation of inmates. Each workhouse inmate shall be allowed five dollars (\$5.00) per day as credit toward payment of the fines and costs assessed against him. (1983 Code, § 1-603)

¹Municipal code reference
Jailer's fee: § 3-204.