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POLICE DEPARTMENT

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Montoursville as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

ARTICLE I
Establishment

[Adopted 12-12-1960 by Ord. No. 177]

§ 32-1. Reestablishment.

The existing Police Department is hereby recognized and reestablished in and for the Borough of Montoursville. The Chief of Police shall be the Chief Executive of the Police Department. He shall, under the direction of the Mayor, be in charge of the police force and have supervision over its members, in the exercise of their powers, duties and authority.

§ 32-2. Personnel designated.

Subordinate to the Chief of Police, in the Police Department, the following classifications are hereby established: Sergeant, Corporal and Patrolman. The priority of authority among such subordinate classifications shall be in the order above listed. The number of persons to serve in

each of such subordinate classifications, on a full-time or part-time basis, and the compensation of each shall be as determined by the Borough Council from time to time.

§ 32-3. Special police may be appointed.

Nothing herein contained shall affect the authority of the Mayor to appoint special policemen.

ARTICLE II

Police Support Services

[Adopted 3-21-1977 by Ord. No. 256]

§ 32-4. Participating municipalities.

A. The participating municipalities are:

- (1) Borough of Duboistown.
- (2) Borough of Hughesville.
- (3) Borough of Montgomery.
- (4) Borough of Montoursville.
- (5) Borough of Muncy.
- (6) Borough of South Williamsport.
- (7) Township of Clinton.
- (8) Township of Lycoming.
- (9) Township of Muncy.
- (10) Township of Old Lycoming.

B. All are political subdivisions in the County of Lycoming, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

§ 32-5. Services to be provided.

All municipalities shall, on a voluntary basis, provide to each other such support police services as may be requested. The services to be provided shall include all services normally provided by police.

§ 32-6. Procedure upon request for assistance.

Upon receipt of a request for assistance, the municipality's senior police officer on duty shall exercise his discretion as to the response to be made to such request in a manner determined by each respective municipality. The furnishing of police aid or support shall be voluntary and not compulsory on the part of the municipality furnishing such aid.

§ 32-7. Responsibility for failure to respond.

No municipality shall be held responsible to any other municipality for failure to respond to a request for aid or support.

§ 32-8. Powers of police officers.

The police officers of all of the municipalities named herein are hereby authorized and empowered to exercise peace officer powers within this municipality when acting pursuant to a request for aid or support. The senior police officer on duty in the municipality requesting aid or support shall be in charge of all officers who are rendering such aid or support.

§ 32-9. Equipment; compensation.

Each municipality shall maintain its own police force and provide the equipment therefor. No charges or expenses shall be assessable for aid or support furnished hereunder. However, periodically, compensation on the basis of the cost of personnel, supplies and rental for equipment supplied may be mutually determined.

§ 32-10. Responsibility for employees.

Each municipality shall retain its own boundaries. Each police officer employed by a municipality furnishing aid or support hereunder shall, at all times, remain the employee of the municipality originally hiring such employee. The municipality originally hiring a police officer shall be responsible for paying all wages of such police officer, providing workmen's compensation and for all matters pertaining to the employment of such police officer.

§ 32-11. Claims.

Each municipality shall be responsible for any claim resulting from its or its employee's improper or allegedly improper action.

§ 32-12. Discontinuation of participation.

Any municipality may discontinue its participation in mutual aid and support police services by giving unto each of the other participating municipalities at least thirty (30) days' notice, in writing, of its intent to do so.

ARTICLE III**School Crossing Guards**

[Adopted 9-18-2000 by Ord. No. 387]

§ 32-13. Statutory authority; request to assume duties.

A. Act No. 34 of 2000 permits school districts located in boroughs to assume the hiring and oversight of school crossing guards. Such action may only take place after the School

Board adopts a resolution requesting the authority to assume those duties, and the Borough Council approves an ordinance authorizing the School Board to assume those duties.

- B. On August 8, 2000, the Board of Directors of the Montoursville Area School District adopted a resolution requesting that the Borough of Montoursville enact an ordinance pursuant to Act No. 34 of 2000.

§ 32-14. Hiring and oversight authorized.

The Board of School Directors of the Montoursville Area School District is hereby authorized to assume the hiring and oversight of school crossing guards.

§ 32-15. Employees of School District.

The school crossing guards hired by the Montoursville Area School District shall be employees of the Montoursville Area School District and not of the Montoursville Borough.

§ 32-16. Compensation.

The Montoursville Area School District shall assume the full costs of compensation, if any, and shall be responsible for workers' compensation insurance, unemployment insurance and liability insurance for the school crossing guards.

§ 32-17. Authority of school crossing guards.

- A. The school crossing guards shall be authorized to manage traffic and pedestrians in and around areas identified jointly by the Montoursville Borough Police Department and the Montoursville Area School District Superintendent. The school crossing guards shall not have the power of arrest or the authority to issue citations.
- B. Prior to the beginning of each school year, and at such other times as agreed upon, the Chief of Police and the Superintendent of Schools shall meet to identify areas where the school crossing guards will be authorized to manage traffic and pedestrians.

§ 31-18. Training.

The Montoursville Borough Police Department shall provide a training program for all school crossing guards in accordance with the Department's policies and procedures as set forth in the Montoursville Police Department Operational Manual. The cost of any training materials and police officer time to conduct the training shall be paid for by the School District.

§ 31-19. Assistance to Crossing Guards.

The Montoursville Borough Police Department shall provide assistance to the crossing guards on an as-needed basis as defined in the Department's policies and procedures set forth in the

Montoursville Police Department Operational Manual and in accordance with the directives of the Chief of Police.

§ 31-20. When effective.

This article shall be effective immediately.

