

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN AUXILIARY
POLICE FORCE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOSNELL, ARKANSAS:

Section One. There is hereby created a volunteer police force to be designated as the "Gosnell Auxiliary Police" and shall be composed of voluntary membership not to exceed twenty (20) members; said members shall be headed by the Auxiliary Chief, hereinafter designated as the "Chief" and who may be the Chief of Police, City of Gosnell.

Section Two. If the Chief of Police, City of Gosnell, choses to not be the Auxiliary Chief, then the Chief of the Auxiliary Police shall be chosen by the members of the Auxiliary Police from their number and he will serve at the will and direction of the City Council or as specified herein.

Section Three. The Chief may by order diminish or expand the membership of the Gosnell Auxiliary Police, as may in his judgment be required, within the limit herein established.

Section Four. The Chief shall have the complete authority, control and command over the Gosnell Auxiliary Police, subject to the provisions of this Ordinance. He may appoint as members thereof any person he may consider qualified and may reject any application for membership. He shall provide for the training of candidates for membership and for the further training of members.

Section Five. No person shall be considered a member of the Gosnell Auxiliary Police until he has been duly appointed by the chief, registered on a roster kept by the chief, and until he has taken the oath provided for officers of the Gosnell Policy Department. Persons eligible for membership shall be no less than twenty-one (21) years nor

more than forty-five (45) years of age and shall be citizens of the United States, residents of Mississippi County, Arkansas, and of excellent character and reputation. They shall be in excellent physical condition, mentally stable, and suffer from no ailment or disability which would limit or prevent them from engaging in strenuous exercise or the use of firearms. Restrictions and regulations as to age and physical condition may be waived only in the discretion of the chief in these cases involving special qualification, abilities and aptitude in the best interest of the Gosnell Police Department.

Section Six. Membership of any person may be terminated at the will and pleasure of the chief. Any member may resign from the Gosnell Auxiliary Police at any time, but it shall be his duty to notify the chief in writing of his resignation.

Section Seven. In addition to the penalties provided by law, any violation of law under color of the performance of his duties as a member of the Gosnell Auxiliary Police, and any breach of the rules and regulations established by the chief shall subject any member to summary dismissal, and the fact thereof may be published at the order of the chief.

Section Eight: The chief shall prescribe the uniforms, badges and insignia for members of the Gosnell Auxiliary Police and the manner in which the same shall be worn. Members shall themselves furnish at no expense to the city, uniforms and equipment. ^{unless authorized by the City Council} It shall be a misdemeanor punishable by fine not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00), for anyone not a member in good standing of said force to wear or use the uniforms, badge or insignia so prescribed.

An identification card and such other insignia or evidence of identity as the chief may prescribe shall be issued to each member who must carry such identification at all times while on duty, and he must

emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

ADOPTED this ____ day of January, 1975.

Andy S. Bevil
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Walter C. Brownwell
RECORDER