

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ordinance #14-24 was introduced and passed on first reading on regular meeting of the Mayor and Council on the 19th day of August, 2014, and that said Ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on the 16th day of September, 2014, at 8:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at which time and place all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

Karen Hughes, Borough Clerk
Borough of Westwood

ORDINANCE #14-24
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 59 POLICE DEPARTMENT OFF
DUTY OFFICER FEES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Westwood that Chapter 59, Police Department, be amended as follows (changes in bold):

§ 59-9. Off-duty police officers.

A. Purpose. For the convenience of those persons and entities which utilize the services of off-duty law enforcement officers of the Westwood Police Department, and to authorize the outside employment of Borough police while off-duty, the Borough hereby establishes a policy regarding the use of said officers.

(1) Members of the Police Department shall be permitted to accept police-related employment for private employers or school districts only during off-duty hours and at such time as will not interfere with the efficient performance of regularly scheduled or emergency duty for the Borough.

(2) Any person or entity wishing to employ off-duty police shall first obtain the approval of the Chief of Police, which approval shall be granted if, in the opinion of the Chief, such employment would not be inconsistent with the efficient functioning and good reputation of the Police Department and would not unreasonably endanger or threaten the safety of the officer or officers who are to perform the work.

B. Requests for services. All requests to the Borough for the services of off-duty law enforcement officers in the Westwood Police Department for a period of one week or longer shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police for posting at least 10 days before such services are required. Any law enforcement officers, when so employed by the Borough, shall be treated as employees of the Borough; provided, however, that wages earned for outside employment shall not be applied toward the pension benefits of law enforcement officers so employed, nor shall hours worked for outside employment be considered in any way compensable as overtime.

C. Rates of compensation; administrative fee; payment for services.

(1) Rates of compensation for contracting the services of off-duty enforcement officers shall be based on a rate of time and one-half of the officer's hourly rate, **based on the current contract.**

(2) An additional fee of \$125 is charged for any vehicle use, as assigned by the Chief, for up to seven consecutive hours or any part of a calendar day. Whenever possible, the oldest usable Police Department vehicle will be assigned.

(3) An additional fee of 20% is established to cover administrative costs, overhead and out-of-pocket expenses of the Borough of Westwood. This is 20% of the total of Subsections C(1) and (2) above.

(4) All associated payroll taxes.

If any section, subsection, part, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such section, subsection, part, clause or phrase shall be deemed to be severable from the remainder of this Ordinance.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

Adopted: _____

Approved:

Attest:

John Birkner, Jr., Mayor

Karen Hughes, Borough Clerk