

ORDINANCE NO. 100-6

AN ORDINANCE OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWK COVE, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING A POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS AND RESERVE OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR TERMS OF OFFICE AND QUALIFICATIONS; ESTABLISHING THE STATUS AS "AT WILL" EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Hawk Cove is a Type A-General Law Municipality; and

WHEREAS, a Type A-General Law Municipality has the authority to establish and regulate a municipal police force in accordance with Chapter 341 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hawk Cove has determined it is in the best interest of the public health, safety and welfare that a police department be established within the corporate limits of the City of Hawk Cove; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWK COVE, TEXAS:

Section 1. There is hereby established the Police Department of the City of Hawk Cove, Texas. The office of the Chief of Police is hereby established. The City Council may appoint police officers and reserve officers it considers necessary for the health, safety and protection of the City.

Section 2. The Chief of Police and appointed police officers and reserve officers shall serve at the pleasure of the City Council of the City of Hawk Cove. The Chief of Police and the appointed police officers and reserve officers have the powers, rights, duties and jurisdiction granted to or imposed on a peace officer by the Code of Criminal Procedure. The Chief of Police and appointed police officers and reserve officers shall enforce the City's laws, avert danger, or protect life or property.

Section 3.

The Chief of Police shall be appointed by City Council. The police officers and reserve officers shall be appointed by the Police Chief & approved by the Council. The Chief of Police, police officers and reserve officers shall be considered "at-will" employees as that term is defined by state law. The Chief of Police, police officers and reserve officers and reserve officers shall have been trained and certified as licensed peace officers in accordance with the rules and regulations by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Office Standards and Education.

Section 4.

The Chief of Police and appointed police officers and reserve officers shall execute a bond conditioned that the Chief and any appointed officer will faithfully perform the duties of office.

Section 5.

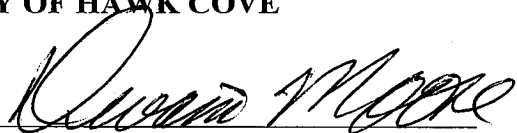
If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 6.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after its passage.

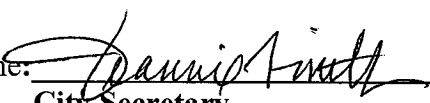
PASSED, APPROVED, AND REVISED this 2nd DAY OF APRIL, 2012.

CITY OF HAWK COVE

By: 

DWAIN MOORE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Name: 

City Secretary