

## CHAPTER 2

### Mayor's Court

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#### SECTION 2.1 Court established.

(a) There is hereby established a Mayors court for this municipality which shall have exclusive original jurisdiction over all offenses and complaints arising under the code. The court may punish for contempt and may issue subpoenas and warrants. The court shall be convened in suitable quarters to be provided by the board.

(b) The presiding office of the court shall be the mayor, or in his absence, the mayor pro tem. The mayor may try all breaches of municipal ordinances and impose fines or imprisonment, or both, as provided for the infraction.

#### SECTION 2.2 Docket to be kept.

The mayor shall keep a regular docket, on which he shall enter the causes arising under the code and to be tried by him. He shall keep a perfect record of all cases tried. Court may be convened at any reasonable time as the mayor may determine.

#### SECTION 2.3 Chief of Police's duties.

The chief of police shall attend the court and serve its process and act as its executive officer. He shall perform such other official actions as may be required.

#### SECTION 2.4 Prisoners may work on streets.

(a) The mayor is hereby authorized to sentence all prisoners, duly convicted by him, to work on the public streets and alleys of the municipality when the prisoners serve a jail sentence in lieu of paying a fine. The work on the streets and alleys shall be done during the duration of the jail sentence being served.

(b) In all traffic violation tickets, the mayor of the Town of Blanchard may impose jail time in lieu of fine. Said jail time to be served at the rate of Two and No/100 (\$2.00) Dollars per day.

#### SECTION 2.5 Appearance bond.

(a) All persons charged with offenses to be tried by the mayor's court shall have the right to bail.

(b) Bond shall be set in accordance with state law and adequate security shall be furnished as determined by the court.

SECTION 2.6 Court costs.

(a) Reasonable costs of court may be assessed to persons convicted of violations, which assessment shall be in addition to any fine or punishment imposed for the infraction.

(b) Court costs shall be collected according to law.

SECTION 2.7 False Testimony

It shall be unlawful for any person to give false testimony or evidence in proceedings before the mayor's court.