

ORDINANCE No. 265

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WEST YELLOWSTONE AMENDING THE WEST YELLOWSTONE TOWN CODE TO AUTHORIZE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TO PROVIDE FOR EXTENDED JURISDICTION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of West Yellowstone believes that the authorization of police jurisdiction is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of West Yellowstone; and

WHEREAS, The Town Council believes it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Town of West Yellowstone to afford the police department extended jurisdiction outside the boundaries of the Town in accordance with Section 7-32-4301, MCA;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of West Yellowstone that the following amendments be made to the municipal code of the Town of West Yellowstone, effectively amending Sections 2 and 9 as follows:

Section 1:

There shall be a police department which shall be called the West Yellowstone Police Department governed by the municipal law of this state, as set forth in sections §7-32-4104 to 4164, MCA.

The police department shall have jurisdiction to make arrests and investigate such actives occurring within the corporate limits of the town, within five (5) miles of the town limits thereof, and along the water supply line of the Town, in accordance with §7-32-4301 MCA.

The chief of police and all the police officers of the town shall serve as peace officers; to prevent intoxication, fights, riots, loud noises, disorderly conduct, obscenity and the acts or conduct which is calculated to disturb the public peace or which is offensive to the public morals, within the town and within three (3) miles of the limits thereof.

Section 2: REPEALER: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with provisions of this ordinance, except as provided above, are hereby amended or repealed.

Section 3: EFFECTIVE DATE: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after final adoption by the Town Council of the Town of West Yellowstone.

Section 4: SEVERABILITY: If any portion of this ordinance or the application therefore to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions of this ordinance which may be given effect without the invalid provisions or application and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

PASSED BY the Town Council and approved by the Mayor of the Town of West
Yellowstone, Montana, this 8 day of March, 2017.

Jerry D. Loh
Mayor

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Council Member

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Greg W. Fungale
Council Member

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ATTEST:
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Town Clerk

