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- **4-101.** Policy and purpose as to coverage. It is hereby declared to be the policy and purpose of this town to provide for all eligible employees and officials of the town, whether employed in connection with a governmental or proprietary function, the benefits of the system of federal old age and survivors insurance. In pursuance of said policy, and for that purpose, the town shall take such action as may be required by applicable state and federal laws or regulations. (1983 Code, § 1-701)
- **4-102.** Necessary agreements to be executed. The mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute all the necessary agreements and amendments thereto with the state executive director of old age insurance, as agent or agency, to secure coverage of employees and officials as provided in the preceding section. (1983 Code, § 1-702)
- **4-103.** Withholdings from salaries or wages. Withholdings from the salaries or wages of employees and officials for the purpose provided in the first section of this chapter are hereby authorized to be made in the amounts and at such times as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations, and shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (1983 Code, § 1-703)

- **4-104.** Appropriations for employer's contributions. There shall be appropriated from available funds such amounts at such times as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations for employer's contributions, and the same shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (1983 Code, § 1-704)
- **4-105.** Records and reports. The recorder shall keep such records and make such reports as may be required by applicable state and federal laws or regulations. (1983 Code, § 1-705)
- **4-106.** Employees and/or officials excluded. There is hereby excluded from this chapter any authority to make any agreement with respect to any position or any employee or official now covered or authorized to be covered by any other ordinance creating any retirement system for any employee or official of the town. There is further excluded from this chapter any authority to make any agreement with respect to any position, or any employee or official, compensation for which is on a fee basis, or any position, or any employee or official not authorized to be covered by applicable state or federal laws or regulations. (1983 Code, § 1-706)

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- **4-202.** <u>Vacation leave</u>. All officers and employees shall be given two (2) weeks of vacation leave with pay for each year of employment hereafter served. Such vacation leave shall be taken at a time approved by the mayor or such other officer as he may designate. At no time shall a person's total credit for accrued vacation leave exceed four (4) weeks. (1983 Code, § 1-802)
- 4-203. <u>Sick leave</u>. All officers and employees shall be given a credit of one (1) working day of sick leave with pay for each month of employment hereafter served. Sick leave shall be taken only when approved by the mayor or by such other officer as he may designate. Sick leave, up to the number of days accrued, shall be approved for all officers and employees whose absence from duty is due to illness, pregnancy, bodily injury, exposure to contagious disease, or death in the immediate family of the officer or employee. However, the mayor may, in his discretion, require doctors' certificates or other satisfactory evidence that absences are properly chargeable as sick leave. The maximum credit for accrued sick leave under the provisions of this section shall be ninety (90) days. (1983 Code, § 1-803)
- **4-204.** Leave records. The mayor shall cause to be kept, for each officer and employee, a record currently up to date at all time showing credits earned and leave taken under this chapter. (1983 Code, § 1-804)

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- **4-301.** Business dealings. Except for the receipt of such compensation as may be lawfully provided for the performance of his municipal duties, it shall be unlawful for any municipal officer or employee to be privately interested in, or to profit, directly or indirectly, from business dealings with the town. (1983 Code, § 1-901)
- 4-302. Acceptance of gratuities. No municipal officer or employee shall accept any money or other consideration or favor from anyone other than the town for the performance of an act which he would be required or expected to perform in the regular course of his duties; nor shall any officer or employee accept, directly or indirectly, any gift, gratuity, or favor of any kind which might reasonably be interpreted as an attempt to influence his actions with respect to town business. (1983 Code, § 1-902)
- **4-303.** Outside employment. No full-time officer or employee of the town shall accept any outside employment without written authorization from the mayor. The mayor shall not grant such authorization if the work is likely to interfere with the satisfactory performance of the officer's or employee's duties, or is incompatible with his municipal employment, or is likely to cast discredit upon or create embarrassment for the town. (1983 Code, § 1-903)
- **4-304. Political activity**. Municipal officers and employees shall enjoy the same rights of other citizens of Tennessee to be a candidate for any state or local political office, the right to participate in political activities by supporting or opposing political parties, political candidates, and petitions to governmental entities; provided the town is not required to pay the employee's salary for work not performed for the town. Provided, however, municipal employees shall not be qualified to run for elected office in the board of mayor and aldermen. This

restriction shall not apply to elective officials or to off-duty law enforcement officers acting as private citizens. (1983 Code, § 1-904, modified)

- 4-305. <u>Use of municipal time, facilities, etc</u>. No municipal officer or employee shall use or authorize the use of municipal time, facilities, equipment, or supplies for private gain or advantage to himself or any other private person or group. Provided, however, that this prohibition shall not apply where the board of mayor and aldermen has authorized the use of such time, facilities, equipment, or supplies, and the town is paid at such rates as are normally charged by private sources for comparable services. (1983 Code, § 1-905)
- **4-306.** <u>Use of position</u>. No municipal officer or employee shall make or attempt to make private purchases, for cash or otherwise, in the name of the town, nor shall he otherwise use or attempt to use his position to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for himself or others. (1983 Code, § 1-906)
- **4-307.** Strikes and unions. No municipal officer or employee shall participate in any strike against the town, nor shall he join, be a member of, or solicit any other municipal officer or employee to join any labor union which authorizes the use of strikes by government employees. (1983 Code, § 1-907)
- **4-308.** Group insurance plan. (1) The town's elective officials, appointive officers, employees, and their dependents may at their election become participants in a group insurance plan providing them with death benefits, surgical treatment, hospitalization and other sick benefits. Such plan has been established by the Tennessee Municipal League with the Life and Casualty Insurance Company of Nashville, Tennessee.
- (2) The proper fiscal officer of the town is authorized to deduct from the salaried personnel payroll such portion or portions of the annual premiums for such insurance as are prescribed pursuant to the terms of the group insurance plan and policy for participants. He shall forward such deductions together with the town's portion of such premium as is established by the aforesaid plan to the Tennessee Municipal League. (1983 Code, § 1-908)