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**3-5-100. Appointment of Police Judge.** The Mayor, with approval of The Town Council, shall appoint one or more police judges to conduct police court in accordance with the provision of this Chapter. (Ord. 101, §2-101, 1972)

**3-5-110. Bond Required.** Before entering upon the discharge of the duties of the office, said Police Judge will subscribe an oath or affirmation to honestly and faithfully perform and discharge the duties of such office, and shall in addition thereto, give a bond to the Town of Big Piney in the sum of \$1,000.00. (Ord. 101, §2-102, 1972; Ord. 94, §2-101.1, 1969)

**3-5-120. Term of Office.** The term of office for a Police Judge shall be two years. An incumbent Police Judge may be reappointed to serve any number of consecutive terms. (Ord. 101, §2-103, 1972)

**3-5-130. Removal of Police Judge.** Upon good cause shown, the Mayor, with approval of Town Council, may remove from office any Police Judge. (Ord. 101, §2-104, 1972)

**3-5-140. Jurisdiction.** The Police Judge shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and it shall be his duty to hear and determine all violations of ordinances of this Town arising within the limits of the Town. (Ord. 101, §2-105, 1985)

**3-5-150. No Change of Venue.** No change of venue shall be granted in any case arising under the ordinances of the Town under the jurisdiction of the Police Judge. (Ord. 101, §2-106, 1972)

**3-5-160. Contempt of Court.** A Police Judge may punish for contempt of court such persons as are guilty of the below enumerated actions:

(a) Persons guilty of disorderly, contemptuous and insolent behavior toward such Police Judge while engaged in the trial of a cause or in rendering judgement, or in any judicial proceedings or to impair the respect due to his/her authority.

(b) Persons guilty of any breach of peace, noise or disturbance tending to interrupt the official proceedings of such Police Judge.

(c) Persons guilty of resistance or disobedience to any lawful order or process made or issued from him by authority of the Police Court. (Ord. 101, §2-108, 1972)

**3-5-170. Penalty for Contempt of Court.** Punishment for contempt of court may be by fine not exceeding \$20.00 or by imprisonment not exceeding two days. (Ord. 101, §2-109, 1972)

**3-5-180. Costs.** As part of the penalty imposed upon conviction of a violation of an Ordinance of the Town of Big Piney the Police Judge shall include a sum not less than \$2.00 nor more than \$10.00 as costs of Court. (Ord. 101, §2-110, 1972; Ord. 94, §2-109.1, 1969)

**3-5-190. Fines to Town Clerk/Treasurer.** The Police Judge shall, upon receipt of proceeds from payments of fines, and costs, promptly remit such monies to the Town Treasurer. (Ord. 101, §2-111, 1972; Ord. 94, §2-110, 1969)

**3-5-200. Record of Fines.** The Police Judge shall keep accurate record of all fines and sentences imposed and the money received therefrom. (Ord. 101, §2-112, 1972)

**3-5-210. Wyoming Rules of Criminal Procedure Applicable.** The Wyoming Rules of Criminal Procedure as applicable to municipal courts shall govern all criminal proceedings in the Municipal Court of the Town of Big Piney. (Ord. 98-14, §1, 1999)

**3-5-220. Wyoming Rules of Appellate Procedure Applicable.** The Wyoming Rules of Appellate Procedure as applicable to municipal courts shall govern all appellate proceedings from the Municipal Court of the Town of Big Piney. (Ord. 98-14, §2, 1999)

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**CHAPTER 10**  
**FINES**

**Sections:**

3-10-100	Sheriff Accepts Fines
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3-10-120	Accommodation Only
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**3-10-100. Sheriff Accepts fines.** The Sheriff of Sublette County, Wyoming, is hereby authorized to receive money from any person charged with violating the ordinances of the Town, in amounts equivalent to those specified on a list that shall be furnished to him from time to time, to give receipts therefor, to release from his custody any person for whom such bail or bond is posted, and to turn such funds over to any agent of the Town. (Ord. 81-T-4, §1, 1981; Ord. 101, §6-127, 1972)

**3-10-110. No Liability.** The Sheriff shall not incur any liability to the Town for acting in accordance with the terms of this ordinance, and is released from all claims relating to his handling of such funds, except for willful misconduct. (Ord. 81-T-4, §2, 1981; Ord. 101, §6-127, 1972)

**3-10-120. Accommodation Only.** It is recognized that the Sheriff is willing to accept bail and bond moneys as an accommodation to the Town, with legal obligation and without compensation to himself or to his department, and that he may discontinue such accommodation at any time, without necessity of giving prior notice. (Ord. 81-T-4, §3, 1981; Ord. 101, §6-127, 1972)

**3-10-130. Bond.** If it is subsequently determined that the Sheriff must be bonded in order to exercise the authority granted to him under this ordinance, the Town shall pay the premium on the bond for so long as the Sheriff elects to accommodate the Town as aforesaid. (Ord. 81-T-4, §4, 1981)