



**Pineville Police
Department**



Memo

To: Ryan Spitzer, Town Manager
From: Michael Hudgins, Chief of Police
CC: Roxy McMahon, Senior Administrative Assistant
Date: 10/22/2021
Re: Council Presentation: Spend Asset Forfeiture Funds on Civil Unrest Equipment

Earlier this year the North Carolina Sheriffs' Association presented a plan for a Statewide Response to Civil Unrest. This plan was presented to the Mecklenburg Sheriff and all of the Chiefs of Police in Mecklenburg County for review and input. The plan called for the creation of regional (Countywide throughout the state) Civil Unrest Teams. Each regional team would be comprised of officers from every police agency in the county (Sheriff's Office, six Town Police Departments, and Charlotte-Mecklenburg PD).

The benefits of having regional Civil Unrest Divisions in every county in the state are numerous. For instance, the Sheriff's Association's model will have trained and equipped personnel in every jurisdiction in the county, and every asset will be available to assist both locally and regionally throughout the state. Training and equipment would be standardized for each county, which makes deployments seamless and interchangeable. Also, it would fill a **need** in the Pineville Police Department; we have no Civil Unrest gear, no one trained on how to respond to civil unrest, and no subject matter expert on how to properly respond to Civil Unrest incidents.

The proposal for Region 4, Mecklenburg County, is the Towns will form a platoon, which is 60 officers. To reach this goal, each town will provide 10 officers plus one supervisor, which forms a fully functional squad. Larger agencies such as CMPD and MSO would provide a stand-alone platoon.

The Town of Pineville is currently a member of a Regional Mutual Aid Agreement that includes 64 jurisdictions, nine County Sheriff's Departments and 55 Police Departments. The Regional Mutual Aid Agreement includes all police/sheriff agencies in Mecklenburg County. This MOU can be used to make requests for assistance in dealing with civil unrest incidents.

"What are the operational guidelines etc for the regional unit?" The department will create a policy governing its mobilization and response to Civil Unrest incidents.

Training for our squad is free, we will be trained by CMPD. The cost to outfit our squad (10 officers + 1 supervisor) is approximately \$25,812.70. This includes the following:

Upper Body/Chest Protector with Sleeves,		\$198.60
MOLLE Sleeve for Chest,		\$35.40
3x9 POLICE patch		\$6.50
MOLLE Battle Belt and thigh,		\$71.61
Shin guards		\$59.59
Hatch Mechanix Gloves		\$30.00
Hatch G3 Gear Bag		\$70.00
8" .250 Face shield		\$142.86
Protech Laser Film for DK6		\$43.33
20x36 Shield		\$229.92
Dual Pistol Pouch		\$24.00
Radio Pouch		\$26.00
Utility Pouch Horizontal		\$24.00
Hydrations pouches		\$40.91
Balistic Helmet		\$293.33
suspension system		\$152.00
36" wood Baton		\$23.60
holder/rings		\$11.89
Gas mask		\$348.00
Gas mask bag		\$40.00
4 pack filters		\$168.99