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An Historical View of the Wilton Manors Police Department

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The Village

The Village of Wilton Manors, with a population of approximately 350, was born May 13, 1947. Town Marshall Harley Sanderson initially handled law enforcement. Then in August of 1947 the Village contacted Broward Sheriff Walter Clark to request appointment of Special Deputy Sheriff Paul Mack to the village so he could assist by enforcing the motor vehicle ordinance. Apparently Mack also assisted in other tasks as Marshall Sanderson in January of 1949 asked the Village Council for assistance in helping to obtain order at Hainey's Ho-Down and the Council advised that Deputy Marshall Paul Mack would be at the dances every Saturday night.

When Marshall Sanderson retired in November of 1949, Mark Mitchell Jr. took over as Marshall and also became a Deputy at the expense of the Village. On February 17th of 1950 Marshall Mitchell advised, according to the Village Council minutes, "he was willing to help in any way he could but he was not a trained investigator and felt that he could not protect the Village adequately against the recent crime wave." There was no mention of what this crime wave entailed but on 3/18/92 The Sun-Sentinel newspaper had an article by Jennifer Heit who was interviewing the former city clerk and 43 year resident, Marcia Stafford, who advised in the late 1940's Wilton Manors was visited by people from all over the county because there was a "house of ill repute" complete with a bar and gambling facilities located across from what is now The Wilton Manors Elementary School. Then there was also information regarding crime during this period in a Fort Lauderdale News interview on 2/24/83 with Mr. Arthur Chabot who was a village council member 1947-1952. Mr. Chabot remembered when Wilton Manors had no police force because it had no crime. "The first crime was when somebody broke in and robbed a drugstore. We didn't have a policeman at the time. We hired one guy and he served for a long time".

On February 22nd 1950 the Village Council recommended and approved the immediate hire of Floyd Miller as the Village policeman for the 883 villagers and approximately 250 homes. The village provided him with a patrol unit and Sheriff Walter R. Clark provided the police radio. (This would have been just months prior to Sheriff Clark being suspended by Governor Fuller Warren on 7/21/1950. Clark and his brother Chief Deputy Robert Clark, were indicted on 14 counts of illegal possession of slot machines, one count of conducting a lottery and was suspect in a multi-million-dollar Broward County gambling operation. Clark, however, later won an acquittal on all 14 counts but never returned to office.) Officer Miller did not stay long and resigned his position in October

of 1950. A request was at that time made to the Broward County Sheriff's Office, Sheriff Amos Hall, to appoint J. Marvin Brown as Deputy for the Village.

During this period of time law enforcement protection for the village was not setup for 24-hour immediate service. In the 7/19/1951 "Wilton Manors Bulletin" the newspaper lists the emergency phone numbers for the village police and fire protection and then states "...or blow siren station on Manor Market Building. Fire Blow 4 times. Police Blow 2 times". It was not just Wilton Manors that had to deal with sparse law enforcement protection. It was not until 1951 that the Broward Sheriff's Office got its first road patrol -- 4 officers and four cars.

In March of 1952 the Village appointed Richard Beaney as Chief of Police at \$70 a week while patrol officer William R. Hooks was hired on at \$55.00 per week. Hooks resigned within a few days and was replaced in that same month by Robert S. Hickman. In November of 1952 the Chief was able to get Council approval for another patrolman and Officer James Carrie was hired. The department needed more transportation so in November 1952 the department purchased their first motorcycle unit -- a 1950 Harley-Davidson -- for \$450 cash.

The City of Wilton Manors

It was June 4 1953 when the Village of Wilton Manors graduated and became a City. It was soon after this time that the City began to have some big city problems. On February 1, 1954 Chief Beaney requested the City Council provide him with an additional officer due to the 'recent robberies' that occurred. Council approved, for the duration of the season, the additional man who would patrol the business district on foot.

In March of 1954 the City approved a salary increase for a new patrolman to \$60 week, and at the end of three months probationary time increase to \$65. Thereafter all increases granted were on merit bases on the recommendation of the Chief of Police. In September of 1954 Chief Beaney got the approval from Council to create the position of Sergeant. Officer John Lynch was promoted and given a starting salary of \$76.16 a week.

It was during this time period that the 5-man police department was located at 2197 Wilton Drive. This was an office area 20'x60' that housed not only the police department but also the water department, building department, fire and sanitation department employees. After the city offices closed the police phone number would ring at Chief Beaney's home. According to the Fort Lauderdale Daily News Virginia Rogers this would wake up his family six or seven times a night. The Council on 8/25/55 approved to increase the department to seven. This would allow for two men on each of the three eight hours shifts and one night desk person. In December of 1955 the police department obtained radio equipment and P.J. Terrill was hired as the first radio dispatcher with a salary of \$50 a week. On March 6, 1956 the council approved the hire of Dispatchers Thomas Brace and Harold Gair. And then on 9/4/56 council approved the

hire of Dispatcher Felix Miller. (It would later turn out that Brace, Gair and Miller would all hold the office of Chief of Police.)

Crimes for 1955 were reported as 8 Car thefts; 25 Bicycle Thefts; 57 Theft and Fraud Cases; 4 Theft Attempts; 14 Assault & Battery; 6 Break & Entry; 38 Drunks; 22 Drunk Driving; 34 Disorderly Conduct; 59 prowler calls; 1 mugging; 35 vandalism; 1 prostitution case. There was a total of 553 arrests made in this year.

For transportation in March of 1955 the Chief was authorized to purchase the second police vehicle – a 1955 6 cylinder, 2-door, but it would have to be shared with the road and water departments. Then in February of 1956 Council approved the purchase of a 1956 fully equipped station wagon police car from Powell Motor Company. This would assist in patrolling the 1500 homes and 85 businesses in the City.

In 1956 the police manual created by Chief Beaney that contained complete rules and regulations for the operation of the department, duties of all officers, and disciplinary actions was put into effect. It was hoped the manual and the information concerning the position would increase morale. Perhaps more than a guide was needed, however. According to a story by Virginia Rogers in 1956 in the Fort Lauderdale News 'Wilton Manors Topics', "One problem...is finding adequate housing for patrolmen at a price they can afford on their starting salaries of \$60 a week. Patrolman Elmer Stover, with four sons aged 4, 6, 8 and 10, is paying \$125 a month rent for a two-bedroom frame house. Unless he can locate lower-priced quarters he may be forced to leave the department. Anyone with a solution to this chronic problem is asked to contact the police department."

What type of police service was needed in these days? According to the May 13, 1956 Fort Lauderdale Sunday News the Wilton Manors Topics by Virginia Rogers April was a relatively quiet month for the police department. "There were only three accidents, no injuries, 11 disturbances, 5 cases of disorderly conduct, 8 thefts, 1 prowler, 7 vandalism cases, 6 dog complaints, 27 service calls and a total of 51 arrests with fines and forfeitures of \$1,223.00." To handle these services, in 1956 the police department comprised of Chief, Sergeant, 5 patrolmen, 3 dispatchers and 3 school patrolwomen.

In February of 1957 the Salary Committee presented and had approved the following payment for the services provided by the following employees: Police sergeant's salary to be set at a minimum of \$80.00 per week and a maximum of \$100.00 per week, maximum to be attained by the established method of advance; Patrolman Arthur Anderson to receive his first increase in pay at the end of three months since he was employed on that basis but new officers in the future to receive first increase after six months; increase Chief Beaney's salary to a maximum of \$120.00 per week. Later it was determined the salary of Desk Officer Harold Gair be established at \$75.00 per week with a maximum of \$95.00 per week to be reached at the end of two years; dispatchers were to start at \$60 week, maximum of \$75 to be reached end of 2 years.

In a May 24, 1957 Fort Lauderdale News "Wilton Manors Topics" article by Virginia Rogers it was stated, "On their own time and at their own expense six members of the Wilton Manors police department started a 200-hour year-long police course this week. Four-hour sessions to be held every Tuesday under Florida Police Academy direction will cover all phases of police work, and lead to an academy diploma. Police officers Wallace Matlock, Ramond (Raymond) Saxon, Laddie Marolt, and Elmer Stover are enrolled. Also police women Mrs. Frances Custis and Mrs. Lenore Saxon. It is a local police department policy that all officers must earn a police school diploma."

To upgrade the patrol units in March of 1957 the City authorized the purchase of a 1957 sedan station wagon Ford Custom 4dr sedan, Fordomatic Transmission V-8 motor with 190hp, tu-tone paint, cost \$1819.04 (trade-in for 1956 Country sedan \$1100) cost \$719.04.

In May of 1957 Chief Beaney was to be the topic of a heated controversy that would last months. This controversy would lead to Beaney leaving employment with the City, suggestions made to abolish the position of Chief of Police, and petitions started for recall of three City Council members who voted for the removal of Beaney.

This incident is reported to have started on May 9, 1957 when Mrs. Beaney went to the County Solicitor Emerson Allsworth to discuss certain actions of the police chief. (The Chief would state this was for separation advise after they had an argument and he stayed away from home.) In a Fort Lauderdale News Article on 5/21/57 by Frank Hogan regarding this meeting "...The solicitor said he told Mrs. Beaney to go home, think it over and let him know the next day whether she wanted to file criminal charges against her husband. The next day, ...she informed Asst Solicitor Thomas M. Coker Jr. she did not want to go through with it. 'No Charge has been filed and none will be,' Allworth said, 'because she did not sign an affidavit or warrant.' ... 'I didn't want to stick my nose into Wilton Manors business but I felt there had been enough said to me by Mrs. Beaney to turn the matter over to Wilton Manors to handle.' ... 'Whether Chief Beaney has done anything wrong is an opinion and I'm not here to give that'. Mrs. Beaney interrupted to declare: 'I was mad at him (her husband) and he did not do what everybody seems to have heard about him'."

Another news article concerning this incident was in the Fort Lauderdale News Article on 5/21/57 "Chief to Quit If He's Cleared. City Council To Consider Case Tonight" by Ed Magill. "Wilton Manors - Police Chief Richard Beaney, referring to this community as a "Little Russia," said today he has not resigned, but will do so if he is "cleared" of misconduct charges at a meeting of City Council tonight. Meanwhile, Mayor J. Frank Starling said he would stick by the chief until he is "proven guilty of something." He said any of his previous statements supporting and clearing the chief of any misconduct still stands. Beaney, in a statement this morning regarding rumors that he would resign before noon today, said "I will not resign under pressure. If they put me in the clear tonight I will resign." "I will not be chief of police of a Little Russia. That is the impression that the people here are giving now. I am innocent of all charges that are

being circulated." Starling said that in the event of the post being vacated as a result of a meeting of City Council at 8 p m today, he will temporarily fill the job. When asked if a member of the department was qualified to take over he said he did not know yet and had not "checked qualifications yet." Several petitions for the chief's dismissal have been circulated, one already in the hands of the mayor and one or possibly two being presented in City Council at its meeting in the village hall tonight. Beaney has repeatedly denied "rumors of misconduct" and point out that no charges have been filed against him. He said the trouble stems from a tiff with his wife and was settled between the two of them."

On 5/21/1957 a petition drawn by members of the police department asking for the Chief's dismissal, apparently on the grounds of misconduct, was presented to the Council in a Council Meeting that would be reported by Ed Magill of the Fort Lauderdale news as '...an explosive session which saw the council subjected to boos, catcalls and derisive remarks from an irate, partisan crowd'. Chief denied the allegations and felt the incident stemmed from domestic troubles. The Mayor stated that he and the City Attorney had made a thorough investigation on the charges and no proof of guilt was found on the part of the Chief. Councilman Stevens made the following motion, "I believe that Chief Beaney has used very poor judgment in his statements to the press concerning the people and the City of Wilton Manors and that Mrs. Beaney (a school patrolwoman) showed equally poor judgment in the statement concerning her resignation from the Police Force. Neither the people nor the City officials and employees deserve such attacks, and on this basis, I am in favor of relieving the Chief immediately". The minutes of this meeting further go on to state 'Chief Beaney explained his use of the term "Little Russia" and the Fort Lauderdale News reporter stated that she might have done Chief Beaney an injustice in her reporting of his remarks.' At the end of the meeting the Council unanimously agreed to give the Chief two weeks severance pay, as well as the vacation time due him.

Chief Thomas Brace

In the weeks that followed the Mayor presented Mr. Claude Tindall, Chief Investigator in Kissimmee and Mr. Wiltsey as his choices (taken from outside the department) for the Chief's replacement but on 6/21/57 the council promoted from within and Sgt. Thomas Brace was elevated to the position of Police Chief with \$100.00 a week starting pay retroactive to June 19, 1957. Thomas Brace had retired from the Pennsylvania State Police after 25 years of service where he received two special citations for outstanding work in solving a murder and armed robbery case. In March 1956 he was hired as a dispatcher for the Wilton Manors Police Department, seven months later was promoted to sergeant and 8 months later was promoted to Chief. Chief Brace would stay with Wilton Manors until 1961.

Things were looking better for the police department in July of 1957 when they moved two blocks away into the new Municipal Center at 521 NE 21 Ct (building total cost

\$163,000). The police department had 10 men working in a 12 foot square area and this move would be of great benefit. The police phone number would still stay the same for emergency – LO 4-1000. But all others were asked to call LO 6-1558. The new facility included the first city jail, allowing space for 19 prisoners.

Lt. Vastine remembers the days when our jails were used for more than a holding cell. Back in the 60's things were calmer. The jail was used to house misdemeanor prisoners, the felons were transported down to the Sheriff's Department facilities. Usually the weekend would have a few 'visitors' – typically one of the regular 'clients' who had a few too many beers over the weekend. The officer would bring the 'bad guy' into the station and then tell them to lock him or herself in. The 'bad guy' would go in and sleep it off. Meals were gotten from the Clock Dinner near 5 Points. The officer would ask the prisoner what they wanted, called in the order, and then picked it up. Some of the weekend prisoners were so well known they would go out and wash the patrol cars – unsupervised. Those were the days when everyone knew everyone else and there was no want to wrestle or argue or harm the police.

Chief Brace tried to work closely with the Oakland Park Police Department. In 1957 he attempted to enter into an agreement with Oakland Park to lodge their prisoners in the Wilton Manors jail for a maximum of 36 hours or until they can secure bond. He also attempted to jointly purchase a drunkometer machine for the use of both departments, the machine to be housed in the Wilton Manors Police Department. Chief Brace described several machines to the Council explaining their operation, cost, etc. The Council approved the purchase of a Breath-o-lator in conjunction with the Oakland Park Police Department at a cost to the city of \$300.00, total cost of the machine being \$595.00. Apparently his efforts were not approved by the City of Oakland Park as it was later stated in a Wilton Manors Council meeting that the Mayors, Councilmen, Police Chiefs and City Attorneys of both Wilton Manors and Oakland Park would work together on agreements regarding radio, jail facilities, etc.

What was life like in 1957. This was a period of time when Brownies Bar and Package Store at 1411 South Andrews, Fort Lauderdale would advertise ice cold draft beers 10-20cents. If you watched TV you might be watching "People Are Funny", "Perry Come Show", "Gale Storm Show", "Gunsmoke", or possibly "The Jackie Gleason Show". A trip for groceries would show celery 10cents; head of lettuce 15 cents; 3 loaves of bread 35 cents. If you were domestic perhaps you would purchase the advertised \$39.50 sewing machine.

During Chief Brace's tenure he started methods or programs to get more police work done without hiring more officers. Frances Custis who started as a school patrolwoman in 1956 was to retain her position as school patrolwoman but would also act as a matron for the jail when female prisoners were housed at the jail. To increase the police force services on 11/5/1957 the Chief proceeded with plans to form an Auxiliary Police Department. This Auxiliary would last until July of 1978 and over 50 individuals would be members within this time span. Auxiliary officers were volunteers who would work

traffic lights/intersection, ride with and assist patrol officers, and work special details. Some auxiliary officers such as Officer Ridenour, Officer Bartlett, Officer Moore would continue on and became Wilton Manors Officers. Auxiliary Dorothy Bell started in 1974 and became the department's first female officer authorized to carry a weapon. Ms. Bell would meet Auxiliary Officer Stephen Littlefield and they would later marry. Both eventually became Police Officers with the City of Fort Lauderdale and both were individually honored as Officer of the Year for that department. In 1978 the Wilton Manors Auxiliary Program was disband due to liability and insurance issues.

In 1960 the Census reported Wilton Manors had a population of 8257. To serve this population was a 19-member department that included a Chief, a Captain, two sergeants, ten patrolmen, one detective, 3 dispatchers, and one desk officer. The starting weekly salary for these positions were: Chief \$130, Captain \$125, Sergeant \$115, Patrolman \$90, Desk Officer \$108 and Dispatcher \$85.

As the population increased the problems on the waterways needed to be addressed so in March of 1961 it was proposed to have Officer Teufel set up an auxiliary program using boys between 12-18 years of age, who would be properly trained and certified with life saving certificates for the protection of the waterways in and around the city of Wilton Manors. The boys would supplement the regular patrol. First an ordinance had to be created to control operation and maintenance of the watercraft within the city limits. On 4/18/61 the minutes of the Wilton Manors City Council show, "The City Clerk read a letter from Officer Teufel of the Wilton Manors Waterways Patrol, reporting on a meeting of the Wilton Manors Junior Auxiliary Waterways Patrol, held on April 15, 1961, at 1:00 o'clock AM, at the City Hall. There were 35 boys, ages 12 years to 18 years, present. A general discussion of future training courses, such as Junior Red Cross First Aid Course. Cost to each boy will be \$1.00, for the textbook, etc. Guest speakers at this meeting were: Sgt. Jensen of the Fort Lauderdale Harbor Patrol, Capt. Thumn of the Wilton Manors Auxiliary Police, and Mr. M.H. Witters of Fort Lauderdale. Another meeting is planned for April 22, 1961, at 11:00o'clock A.M., at the Wilton Manors City Hall. President Beimly stated Officer Teufel should be commended on his efforts and the progress which has been made". (Please note: At the time of writing this article it can not be confirmed the status of this proposed program.)

Chief Harold Gair

On 11/24/61 Mayor Harold T. Price promoted Captain Harold Gair to Chief of Police. Harold Gair joined the Wilton Manors Police Department as a night dispatcher in October 1956. He was promoted from Court and Records Clerk to the rank of Captain on 9/18/59. Gair would remain as Police Chief until May of 1966 when he would step down due to health problems.

During Chief Gair's watch, the department changed its telephone numbers. The old LO 4-1000 had to be discontinued and the numbers 566-1556, 566-1557, 566-1558, and 566-1559 put into effect in 1965. Technology changes also occurred in the radio system. In

1966 the 12-year-old system was scheduled for replacement. A more powerful system with more frequencies was to be obtained.

A statistical report of crime in Wilton Manors in 1961 showed the city investigated 140 motor vehicle accidents; 1 armed robbery; 3 assault and battery; 11 entry without breaking; 43 breaking and entry; 26 breaking and entry attempts; 33 bicycles stolen; 7 car thefts; 18 felony cases turned over to county solicitor of Broward county; 17 felony cases turned over to county solicitor for other counties; 26 grand larceny; 129 petty larceny; 3 gambling; 7 indecent proposals; 1 embezzlement; and 250 vandalism cases. The department in total had 6828 complaints registered with the department (criminal and non-criminal) in 1961. There were 1488 adult arrests and 54 juveniles in the year. The Boat Patrol was able to recover 3 boats and 3 motors. The ten Auxiliary officers contributed 3212 hours of time to assist the department.

Crime controversy did hit during Chief Gair's command. In 1964 a woman in jail for possession of lewd pictures of herself advised of a statewide sex ring based in Broward County. She advised there was a sex club known as "The Swingers" that was frequented by prominent local professionals and business people. These clubs were purported to hold orgies in Wilton Manors, Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale, Miami, St. Petersburg, Delray Beach and Stuart. This hit the newspapers and was very controversial. The woman advising of this ring was providing names of some members.

A 1965 local statistical report showed crime in Wilton Manors as: 1 homicide; 58 petit larceny; 13 grand larceny; 3 robbery; 26 prowler calls; 3 stolen vehicles; 2 assault and battery; 29 bicycles stolen and recovered; 50 vandalism; 18 burglary ; and 1 shoplifter case. There were 1299 arrests, including 81 juveniles.

Acting Chief Felix Miller

Felix Miller took over as acting chief in January of 1966 when Gair resigned. This would be temporary and would last until August 1966 when Sergeant Bernard S. Scott was promoted to the position. Felix Miller started with the department in 1956. He was promoted from sergeant to Captain on 11/24/61.

Chief Miller was in command when Wilton Manors hit the newspapers regarding a major crime incident. It was in early 1966 when Wilton Manors worked with the sheriff's department and Fort Lauderdale Police Department on a \$2000 a day bookmaking operation. The Wilton Manors residence was raided and numerous records found regarding the operation, including an index file listing some client's names. The arrestee, Mrs. Olga Darmody, advised she had been in business for only a few months.

Chief Bernard S. Scott

Bernard S. Scott started police work with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department where he worked part-time as an auxiliary officer. He was hired by Wilton Manors Police Department in 1958 as a patrolman. In 1960 he was assigned to the motorcycle, 1961 promoted to Detective, and in 1963 promoted to Sergeant. In 1966 he became Chief of Police at the age of 30 and was the youngest police chief in the State of Florida. He started at an annual salary of \$7925 to manage the 21 employee department. During Chief Scott's time in power he introduced the first use a four-day work week for road patrol; first in the county to have patrol units use 9mm handguns; saw the department connect to the first national computer system to check on criminals immediately; in the early 1970's contracted with Fort Lauderdale Police Department for dispatching services; saw the police department renovated and expanded in 1983-4; started the department's first crime prevention program; assigned the department's first female detective; assigned the department's first full time undercover officer; began first crime analyst unit; and began the use of more civilian positions to reduce budget costs, increase officers time for patrol purposes, and keep up with the increasing administrative duties. Chief Scott stayed on with the department until he retired in 1989.

The first civilian employee he would hire would be Gary Hostiuck in the position of part-time secretary. The following passage is from the 1/10/67 Wilton Manors Council Meeting minutes dealing with this: "Chief Scott came forward and explained the difficulty and problems they are encountering in trying to hire a part-time secretary. He stated he has an application from a male secretary at the rate of \$75.00 per week, who would also assist Captain Miller as Court Clerk. Following discussion as to the problems involved in this position, Councilman Smith moved that the City hire the male applicant at \$75.00 per week, for temporary employment; motion seconded by Councilwoman Stafford and carried by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Sullivan, Meacham, Stafford, Smith and Thompson; Nays: none". Mr. Hostiuck would eventually become a full time employee who stayed with the department until his retirement as Records Supervisor in 1997.

1967 would be a year that Wilton Manors Police Department would assist Fort Lauderdale in beach riots. Wilton Manors Fire Chief John S. Miller would later remark on the excellent job done by the Police Department during the Fort Lauderdale Beach Riots. He commented on the equipment, such as safety helmets, riot sticks, etc., of the Department and stated the Police Department was a tribute to Chief Bernard Scott.

To assist citizens in 1968 the Chief had the police department obtain an 'ambulette' – a station wagon equipped with stretcher, oxygen and other emergency equipment – that would also be used for patrol. Chief Scott in his years with the department saw to it that the officers in the department had patrol vehicles that were comfortable and well-



equipped as he considered the patrol vehicle to be the officer's office. Wilton Manors was one of the first departments in the county to get blue lights for the patrol cars.

1968 would also be the year that the radio equipment would be up upgraded to a 35-watt inter-city radio base station. It would be about 1974 when the Fort Lauderdale Police Department was contracted with in order to provide dispatching services for Wilton Manors.

As for crime in Wilton Manors, in 1971 the State of Florida began requiring each agency to report crime statistic on a regular basis. The department's first annual report for 1971 showed the department servicing a population of 11,575 citizens had 1 murder, 3 sexual battery, 13 robbery, 132 business and residential burglaries, 284 larceny and 35 motor vehicle theft reports. The report also shows the department made 231 arrests during this year. The majority of the arrests were for drunkenness and possession of narcotics.

Many unusual crimes and incidents would occur during the long period that Chief Scott headed the police department. Below are some of the incidents:

In 1972 a crime occurred on Hutchinson Island Stuart, Florida and an arrest was made of a Martin County Deputy Gerard Schaefer Jr. for false imprisonment of two young girls. This lead to a major investigation of Schaefer and the eventual conviction of this Deputy in a 1973 ritualistic beheading of two Broward County teens. This investigation had him suspect in up to 28 other murders of young girls. A Sun Sentinel article written 12/5/95 by Scott Glover stated that a prosecutor once called Schaefer "one of America's worst serial killers – even...worse than Ted Bundy." A retired FBI agent, Bill Hagerty, who profiled Schaefer around 1980 stated "If I had a list of the top five, which would include all of the serial killers I have interviewed throughout the country, he would definitely be on the top five." Schaefer had been employed as a police officer with the Wilton Manors Police Department in September 1971 and was dismissed in April 1972 for hanging a man upside down from beneath a bridge. Chief Scott would later institute a program requiring psychological testing for all police applicants. In 1995 a Starke Prison guard found Schaefer stabbed to death in his prison cell.

In 1976 a culprit was sentenced to 30 years prison for the sexual battery of an 18-year-old girl in the parking lot of the Swinging Door Lounge in Wilton Manors. The jury would not buy the claim the defendant was incompetent to stand trial because he was hit by lightning bolt a year prior to the crime.

It was in 1982 that the investigation began on a male found with his throat slashed and stuffed in the trunk of a vehicle that was left in front of a house in Wilton Manors. This investigation lasted many years and involved numerous organized crime figures. It was believed a suspected Mafia hit man that was accused by the Broward Sheriff's Office of being responsible for as many as 300 contract murders nationwide (but not proven) was involved in this case. It was not until 1999 that charges were brought against this suspect, Barry "The Bear" Hunwick, for our homicide case. Hunwick was already

incarcerated after pleading guilty to a murder for hire conspiracy case earlier in 1999. He plead no contest regarding our homicide case and received a second life sentence.

An incident in May of 1985 made the pages of the National Enquirer. A woman named Vikki Kittles, who pronounced herself to be an animal lover, was found to have kept 37 dogs, 3 cats and 2 horses in her house that she shared with her elderly 70 year old mother. The feed for the animals cost about \$280 and this was purchased from the mother's social security check and a small savings of Kittles. Kittles was charged with animal cruelty and confining animals without proper exercise area. Kittles fled the area and in 1987 was found in rural Manatee County living in a filth-ridden van full of cats and dogs. Her mother was missing and the authorities were investigating if foul play was involved. Kittles advised before the disappearance her mother had been sleeping in the van on a rotten wooden bed.

In 1987 Wilton Manors Detective Mark Shotwell was conducting an undercover operation dealing with a suspected car thief. A meeting with the suspect was arranged at a Fort Lauderdale location. Shotwell contacted the Fort Lauderdale Police Department and advised of the upcoming meeting but was not able to give a description of the 'bad guy' who he had never met. Shotwell went to the location and met and made the deal with the suspect. Shotwell then gave the signal for the Fort Lauderdale officers to move in. One Fort Lauderdale officer moved in with gun drawn and pointed at the suspect. Shotwell, wearing street clothes, drew his revolver. Fort Lauderdale Officer Charles Harrington did not know Shotwell and mistook him for the car thief. Harrington pulled his gun and yelled, "Don't do it" and fired 5 shots at Shotwell. Luckily Harrington could not shoot well and all shots missed. Ironically Shotwell left Wilton Manors Police Department in 1989 to join the Fort Lauderdale Police Department.

1987 was also the year that jazz guitarist Jaco Pastorius died in Wilton Manors. Pastorius was beaten to death in front of a bottle club. The club manager beat Pastorius to death after Pastorius attempted to kick the club door in after being refused entry. The manager was charged with second degree murder and plead to manslaughter. He was sentenced to 21 months in state prison and five years probation. Pastorius was a world-renowned bass guitarist and an article about his life and death appeared in Rolling Stone magazine.

In 1988 we solved a 1983 homicide case. Back in 1983 the victim had been in an argument at a bar. The culprit left but returned at closing time and shot the victim dead. The culprit was identified and a warrant issued. The case was still active so Det. David Jones pulled the case out and started working on it. He located an associate of the culprit and it was learned the culprit had committed suicide and was buried in Knoxville, Tennessee for two years.

In 1989 an eleven-year-old girl confessed to the killing of her two year old half brother and trying to kill her 15 month old half sister. The mother of the children had to work long hours and the eleven year old was a main caregiver to her siblings and it appears the young girl could not cope with all the responsibility and snapped. This case brought

nationwide controversy. The young girl became Broward County's youngest-ever murder defendant.

And then there is the sad news. Not exciting news – no thrill of apprehension – no adrenaline rush, no satisfaction in solving a case. Rather caring and sad tear jerking emotion. This is a June 30, 1972 article from an unknown newspaper 'Sergeant,' 6, Gets His Badge' by Mindy Elledge Staff Writer. *Oak Hill – "Tommy Hall?" The one-man police force in this little town near New Smyrna Beach took off his hat and scratches his head. "Tommy Hall..." A carload of cops from Wilton Manors, who has made Tommy a sergeant of their department and promised to visit that day, nodded. "You know, the little guy with cancer," one of them finally said. "Oh yeah," he smiled in recognition, polishing one of his brown cowboy boots on a pants leg. "Terrible thing. Terrible". Then he pointed down a winding gravel road, way out in orange grove country, where, in a 1972 model house trailer, 6-year-old Tommy Hall lies dying. The welcoming committee there were Tommy's mother, grandmother and a blue speckled hound named Kathy, who spends her days under the trailer. The police piled out of the car and into the trailer, where Tommy, pitifully thin at 35 pounds, his stomach bloated by an abdominal tumor, slept. They came bearing gifts. A real sergeant's badge, to replace an auxiliary force badge he already had, sergeant's stripes, a whistle one of the men unhooked from his own uniform, and a toy gun and holster. They also brought \$310 they had collected as "real sergeant's pay." A few days earlier, on the phone, Tommy had told them he deserved to be paid. Since he'd become a policeman, he'd arrested his grandmother more than a hundred times for "tampering with the U.S. Mail, "logging each offense carefully in red pen in a 10-cent notebook. Tommy's penchant for letters brought him thousands from Broward County well-wishers after Broward residents heard about him and asked The News to print a plea for letters. He likes to open them all himself, but finds it too tiring, now, hence Grandma's "tampering." It took Tommy a long time to wake up. The skin around his eyes was puffed and blue, and two large veins stood out prominently on his forehead. When he was moved from his bedroom to a living room couch, an ancient grey fan moved with him. "He says he can't breathe without it," his mother whispered. His grandmother apologized, "we can't afford air conditioning." One of the policemen pulled the mother aside and asked, "Does he know?" "That he's going to die?" she said. "I don't know. Sometimes I think so. He keeps telling me, 'Mother, don't worry about me. Everything'll be okay.'" Doctors at the University of Florida medical center at Gainesville told Mrs. Hall in January he had less than a year to live. They told Tommy he'd be well in a year. "That's the only time we've lied to him," she said. By this time, Tommy was tearing feebly at the colorful paper around the toy guns. Fuzzy animals, plastic, blowup dolls and other get-well gifts dangled above him. From one wall in the livingroom peers a picture of George Wallace, autographed, and one of the Nixon family at the White House, accompanied by a typed letter from an aide. "Tommy just loves George Wallace," his mother beamed. "I suppose he gets that from Poppa-that's his grandfather. You know, when Mr. Wallace was shot, Tommy made himself sick for two days." The governor's signature on a certificate of membership in the Alabama State Patrol brought him from his depression. "If Mr. Wallace could send that to me he MUST be feeling better," Tommy told his mother. But, as the visiting cops were to hear, concern for others, even in his last round with the cancer which pervades*

his bones and every organ in his body, is typical Tommy. Minutes after exploratory surgery in Gainesville, weak and very groggy, his first words were: "Mother, are you okay? Have you eaten today?" "When I hear things like that," she confessed, "I just have to go somewhere and cry. But I'll never cry in front of him. I just go for a drive by myself, but when I get back, no matter how cheerful I am, he knows." Mrs. Hall, who gave up her house and jobs in a restaurant and selling household products to care for Tommy full-time, is remarrying in a few days. They had planned to wait until..." she can't finish the phrase—but then Tommy asked his grandmother, "Why don't I have somebody I can call Daddy?" He last saw his own father when he was 18 months old, and even a letter to him in Canada asking "please come see your son before it's too late," brought no response. By this time, little Tommy had buckled his new holster around his swollen stomach and was firing caps point blank at several of his fellow officers. A few shots were all he could muster. Until January, doctors in Daytona Beach maintained it was rheumatoid arthritis that was bending his body out of shape, and his mother said, "I was almost relieved to hear it was a tumor, because I thought it could be removed," Tommy called for cinnamon rolls and a Coke, about the only demands he makes of his family, but even those were too heavy to balance for more than a few seconds. He wanted to tell his new-found friends about wild hog hunting with Poppa – bring the tusky creatures home and fattening them for a barbecue. And about the tumor he thinks is gone. And about going to Africa someday to see the animals he's seen on postcards. But he was too sleepy. A weak smile for a snapshot to show the rest of the guys on the force. A "goodbye, I'll talk with you on the phone Sunday." And then the cops were driving back down the winding road in Orange Grove.

This sad story perhaps shows some of the mixed human emotion that law enforcement personnel have to be able to handle. Every officer can probably relate with their own "Tommy Hall" story – the attempt to help another human and the sheer sadness and despair at tragic endings. Sgt. Robert Siler was one of the Wilton Manors officers that made this trip. It is unknown who went with him but they did the department proud. Thank you.

Below are listed the progression in the salaries during Chief Scott's reign:

1966 starting weekly salary: Chief \$132; Captain \$125; Lt. \$115; Sgt \$110; Patrol Officer \$95; Dispatcher \$77

1977 starting weekly salary: Chief \$390; Assistant Chief \$357; Lieutenant \$322; Sergeant 292; Patrol Officer \$265; Records Supervisor \$242; Desk Officer \$150.00

1988 starting weekly salary: Chief @\$805 ; Assistant Chief @\$695 ; Patrol Officer \$445; Sergeant \$511; Lieutenant @\$630; Records Supervisor @\$544; Crime Analyst \$374; Desk Officer/CSO \$349.

It would be in Chief Scott's tenure that the police department joined the Police Benevolent Association. The civilian members of the department were instrumental in

this union affiliation. Both civilian and sworn employees are members of the PBA in the department.

Chief Stephen P. Kenneth

Stephen P. Kenneth was promoted to Chief of Police in 1989, upon the retirement of Chief Scott. Kenneth joined the department in 1973 as a police officer. He also served the department in the capacity of a detective, sergeant, lieutenant and Assistant Chief. Chief Kenneth would retire in 1999. While Chief Beaney became one of the first members of the Florida Police Chiefs Association, Inc., Chief Kenneth in 1992 would serve as President of the Broward County Chief of Police Association.

Chief Kenneth would be responsible for instituting a number of strong juvenile programs within the department – including DARE, GREAT, creating the Coalition for Safe Schools and Communities, and assigned officers to a countywide gang unit. Chief Kenneth also instituted a motorcycle unit, a part time bicycle patrol unit, K-9 narcotics unit, received a grant to start a plain clothes team to concentrate on property crimes and outreach programs, and started the department's first Citizen Police Academy. Chief Kenneth started a take-home car program for patrol sergeants and detectives; started a gym and fitness program for employees; and was known by employees as a great listener. It was under Kenneth's watch in 1989 that we began to see the computerization of police reports (including a laptop reporting system), and in 1994 the department upgraded to the 800 MHz radio system.

Chief Kenneth liked to have the citizens involved. I am sure he was impressed by a little girl who dropped off the following typed letter in 1996. "Dear Officers, I am only 10 years old but I am a good detective. My card is enclosed. I enjoy doing mystery's. I will be under oath and not tell strangers, just my parents to help me but no other family or friends, not even my best friends. I will not tell anyone else any information you may give me, any clues to solve the mystery. I am not good in big crimes but I'm an expert at doing small errands. Like for example: You were looking for a black car near Rothe's Garage. So I would go out and look for black cars and write down the license plate on any black car in sight and I will follow where they go. My parents can drive me only if it's not too far but I will do the work. I don't have a mystery uniform so I can do mystery's without people noticing. Another thing, I am deaf. I wear 2 hearing aids. I can read lips very well so that helps me with my mystery's. So if you need me, My number is on my card. So just give me a call. Or write me ..." It was signed by Detective Sarah.

In 1991 the department had another animal lover that ended up on the front page of newspapers. The gentleman involved was Wray Parr, who was also known as "The Snake Man of Wilton Manors". He loved snakes and wanted to share his love with everyone when he came down to Wilton Manors in the winter months from Nova Scotia. To display his buddies he had a custom-designed school bus that had handmade snake cages for his approximate 20 snakes. The problem was that Snake Man wanted to park his bus in the residential area but zoning prohibited parking a bus in residential

neighborhoods. The controversy continued as Snake Man tried to say the vehicle was not a bus but a van or motorhome. Still the conflict. In 1993 Snake Man spent \$2000 on a new paint job for the 'bus'. The exterior of the vehicle was described by Jennifer B. Heit in XS as "A mighty python hovers over a burning Wilton Manors City Hall as rats named after City Council members scurry from the building". The story had an unfortunate ending in 1994 when Snake Man died of a heart attack in his home in Nova Scotia at the age of 44.

Chief Richard F. Wierzbicki

Chief Wierzbicki worked his way through the ranks, serving as Patrol Officer, Patrol Sergeant, Detective Sergeant, Lieutenant, Assistant Chief of Police and finally in 1999 was promoted to Chief of Police upon the retirement of Chief Kenneth. Chief Wierzbicki took over the 42 person department; 31 sworn officers and 11 civilian employees and would make approximately \$70,000 a year salary.

During Chief Wierzbicki's tenure the department obtained a K-9 unit for bomb and apprehension; added another motorcycle unit; added mini 14 rifles to the police department approved weapons list, implemented a police dive team, and created a narcotics team. The uniforms of the department underwent change when optional summer uniforms were instituted. This consisted of white shirts and blue shorts.

In 1999 the population in Wilton Manors was 11,795 and crime in the city, as reported to the State, was 1 homicide; 3 forcible rape; 29 robberies; 37 aggravated assaults; 199 burglaries; 518 larcenies; and 99 motor vehicle thefts.

1999 weekly starting salaries: Chief \$ 1259; Assistant Chief \$ 1024; Lieutenant \$ 841; Sergeants \$757; Police Aide/Desk Officer/Record Technician \$512; Crime Analyst (Records Manager) \$570.

Wilton Manors

The above words told some of the story of how the police department progressed through time. Many times both a City and the employees have a loss of identity. This is true for Wilton Manors. Back in 1924 E.J. Willingham selected the name "Wilton" in honor of his wife's maiden name and "Manors" comes from the dictionary meaning 'landed estates'. Seems it took a while for the post office to become familiar with the name of Wilton Manors. For a long while getting mail to a Wilton Manors address was a concern. In 1954 Mr. Starling, postmaster of Wilton Manors, advised that mail addressed to Wilton Manors would be delivered without the necessity of adding to the address 'Fort Lauderdale', as had been required in the past. This apparently was still a problem in 1960 and citizens were again reminded that the Post Office address is Wilton Manors and not Fort Lauderdale. It has also long been a problem (a pet peeve with Chief Beaney in 1956) with people leaving off the 's' -- using 'Wilton Manor'. Not only were people



using the wrong name, but also in 1956 a map company would not even recognize 'Wilton Manors'. City fathers contacted Rand-McNally who did not take any action in updating their maps. Then in November of 1956 contact was made with the Turnpike Authority who promised to include Wilton Manors on their map. They thought this backing might in turn convince Rand-McNally. The city identity problem was again brought into play in the 1980's the city wanted a new logo that could be used on city limit signs that welcome people who enter Wilton Manors. "The Island City" was chosen. Now it is not uncommon for mail to be sent to "Island City, Florida". Then lastly, in conducting research for this story at the Broward County Historical Society a note was found stating "Wilton Manors was known as Willingham Park".

Some have said Wilton Manors may have lost part of its identity when the stone Arches/towers built on Wilton Drive and Dixie Highway by the first developer in 1926 were torn down. These gates were reproductions from an estate in Seville, Spain and were made from rock taken from the Lazy Lake area. (The remaining rock pit originally had been planned for conversion into a lake with facilities for swimming and boating.) These gates and towers were at that time placed at the northern entrance into Wilton Manors. The tower was used as an observatory from which prospective purchasers could view the coming city. The gates/towers lasted the hurricane of 1926 – but the developer did not. The following is an account of the towers according to information compiled in 1987 by Joseph I. and Opal M. Frakes "From 1931 to 1943 the towers served as a playground for children of the Smith family, owners of the property. In the following years the tall, south, tower was used as an office, a residence, and for a while, the home of the Fort Lauderdale Baptist Chapel, which later became the Wilton Manors Baptist Church. Some longer residents will remember one of the more famous tenants – kind of a local heroine, "The Bird Lady" – Shari O'Hara, who lived in the tower with 15 Mynah birds, 12 parakeets, an owl and two dogs. Around 1958 the small, south, tower came down to make room for a restaurant. In 1964 the two north towers fell, to be replaced by the fifth gas station for the area. Two years later the tall tower succumbed in the name of progress, leaving us with only a picture and a memory." To add, Shari O'Hara lived in the tower for two months. During the time she was arrested for doing business without a license. A court appointed physician found her 'incompetent' and the owners evicted her and her animals. As for the towers and their importance to the City...these towers are featured on the official city seal that was created by Frank Starling .

Wilton Manors Police Department Employees

It is hoped that the Wilton Manors Police Department Employee spirit and soul that creates the identity of Wilton Manors Police Department is not lost. In steps to perpetuate the history of the department short stories have been compiled in 'I remember when' stories. These true-life stories are written in an attempt to show the bond this large family of Wilton Manors Police Department employees share. "I remember when" stories intend to put a smile on your face and some insight into the humorous side of the crazy world of police work – past and present. Please continue on to the 'I remember when' section...but first it is suggested you take a look at the roster of Wilton Manors Police Department employees. It is hoped we have not missed anyone but if there is an

error please accept apologies. This is a continuing story so additions and corrections will be gladly accepted.

All Wilton Manors Police Department employees who contributed to this project over the years, City Clerk Angela Scott, Assistant City Clerk Patricia Staples, Human Resource Director Brenda Clanton and Personnel Officer Dio Sanchez are given special thanks for providing information and research materials for this project.

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Those who have created the Wilton Manors Police Department:					
ID	Last	First	From:	To:	
102	Akers	David	12/29/86		
101	Albury	Richardson	12/15/86	6/3/88	
116	Alexander	Amy	3/6/89		
na	Anderson	Arthur	10/19/56	1957	
150	Auerswald	David	1/9/98	4/2/98	
na	Baker	Lloyd	9/20/55	9/24/56	
143	Balistreri	Biagio	11/17/95		
091	Barry	William	12/14/84	5/2/86	
025	Bartanowitz	Stephen	11/21/69	4/21/72	
029	Bartlett	Richard	2/26/71	10/23/75	aux
aux	Barzilay	Gerald	5/27/71	unk	
na	Baton	Robert	7/30/65	5/21/68	
sp	Beaney	Mrs. Marie		1957	
na	Beaney	Richard	Mar-52	1957	
097	Beckett	Nancy	12/13/85	7/24/96	
118	Behan	Brian	6/17/89		
aux	Bell	Dorothy	1974	1978	1st female authorized carry gun
031	Bell	Jay	3/10/72	10/16/80	
Jud	Bethel	Garvin	Feb-60		municipal judge
aux	Biganzoli	Charles	approx 1968	2/5/68	
055	Bigelsen	Peter	12/29/78		
020	Biggs	Richard	9/13/68	2/1/92	
146	Blocker	Gary	10/4/96		
aux	Bluto	David	7/13/65	6/27/68	
na	Bobb	Albert	5/9/59	unk	Marine Patrol
aux	Boender	Nelson	7/20/69	12/27/70	
NA	Brace	Thomas	3/7/56	10/20/61	
048	Bradshaw	Joseph	9/24/76	5/29/80	
aux	Brandt	Richard	3/8/59	1978	
aux	Brannin	John	6/16/72	unk	
na	Brent	Donald	9/27/63	12/3/63	
148	Brown	Cynthia	5/30/97	unk	
dpt	Brown	J. Marvin	Oct-50		
aux	Brown	Stanley	3/30/66	unk	
164	Buissereth	Natalie	5/11/01		
aux	Burton	Julius	9/24/68	4/23/69	
044	Butler	Doris	11/21/75	1/1/89	
na	Buttery	George	Sep-55	approx '55	
aux	Byrnes	Lonnie			
078	Calderilli	Robert	11/12/82	2/6/83	
na	Carrie	James	11/25/52	unk	started at \$55 wk
034	Carroll	Roger	6/9/72	12/21/89	
na	Cave	Frank	9/23/55	6/10/63	
098	Cayer	Mary	1/10/86	2/18/93	
		Christopher			
123	Chadwick	"Shawn"	10/20/89		
069	Chusmir	Steven	4/21/81	4/9/85	
na	Clark	Donald	7/29/60	9/1/68	
na	Clarkson	James	3/20/64	9/17/65	

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ID	Last	First	From:	To:	
na	Clode	Edward	8/16/55	9/1/56	
066	Coder	John	8/15/80		
aux	Conners	Ruth	10/18/77	1978	
054	Conover	Scott	4/28/87	10/9/87	
071	Conti	JoAnn	10/6/81		
121	Corrao	Vincent	17/28/89	6/2/94	
111	Costello	Edward	3/4/88		
aux	Crues		approx 1966	unk	
137	Custer	Michael	12/10/93	4/23/98	
na	Custis	Francis	1/31/56	approx 1966	matron
aux	Czarny	Vincent	4/27/71	unk	
074	Dahlstrom	Richard	1/4/82	8/31/82	
na	Damm	Bill	12/08/63	1/9/69	
008	Damn	William	Jan '64	1/9/69	
na	Decell	George		Sep-55	
042	DeCeuninck	Jerome	7/24/75	3/31/83	
065	DeCeuninck "Stamler"	Sharon	7/1/80	approx	
aux	Delmont				
004	DeRoo	William	3/18/60	12/24/76	
134	Dimeola	Dean	1/6/93	7/21/93	
041	Dugan	Richard	1/10/75		
aux	Durliat	Robert	5/21/68	unk	
072	Duxbury	Thomas	3/1/82	11/8/82	
na	Ellis	Roland E. Jr	unk	2/26/62	
155	Erbach	Melinda	10/5/98		
na	Fagan	Jack	approx 53-54	approx '55	
na	Farmer	Shirley Richmann	2/1/67	6/28/67	
024	Feazel	Rodney	11/21/69	2/25/72	
na	Fezell	Rodney	11/21/69	2/25/72	
na	Fertig	John	11/27/61	3/2/62	
aux	Fisher	Carl	10/25/62	unk	
100	Fleet	Richard	5/23/86	9/12/86	
115	Fleming	Michael	10/14/88	4/2/92	
153	Frenc	Leontina "Tina"	8/17/98		
aux	Fulmer			unk	
057	Gabrielli	Joan	8/3/79	10/29/82	
na	Gair	Harold	3/7/56	unk	cpt Gair made act chief 10/25/61
132	Gaize	Gertrude	10/18/91	3/2/92	
161	Gardner	Gregory	4/14/00		
133	Garrick	Robert	1/3/93	11/7/97	
156	Gheorge	Daniel	2/26/99	3/9/99	
159	Gianino	Robert	9/17/99		
110	Gillespie	Brian	1/22/88		
149	Goldstein	Eric	10/10/97	11/4/97	
122	Gonzalez	Oscar	9/15/89		
aux	Graham	Joel	11/9/64	1/31/66	
157	Grande	Gary	6/18/99	9/7/00	
092	Gray	Diane	12/28/84	8/8/85	

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067	Gribbon	Elizabeth	8/18/80		
081	Guarino	Lon	4/22/83	9/10/84	
018	Hackert	Paul	5/3/68	10/3/69	
017	Hagen	Warren	1/19/68	7/5/69	
135	Hagler	Bobby	9/24/93	10/30/93	
na	Harms	Jacob 'Jack'	12/16/54	Oct-56	motorcycle officer
064	Hart	David	6/6/80		
aux	Hatmaker	James	7/9/71	unk	
013	Heathcock	John	9/18/67	7/1/71	
006	Hempstead	Perry	6/21/63	8/1/88	
na	Hepp	Peter	6/11/57	unk	dispatcher
na	Hice	Jerry	5/24/63	11/15/63	
160	Hickey	Kimberly	4/14/00		
na	Hickman	Robert	approx 1952	unk	
036	Hollis	James 'David'	9/29/72	10/28/74	
aux	Holman	Joseph	4/20/71	1978	
103	Holoboro	Lawrence	12/23/86	1/28/87	
na	Holt	Walter	10/17/58	approx 1966	reinstated 3/3/62
na	Hooks	William	3/11/52	3/25/52	
027	Hooper	Robert	6/6/70	4/5/73	
aux	Horrochs	Ronald	2/19/68	11/1/73	
019	Hostiuck	Robert "Gary"	1/9/67	6/1/97	
096	Hottinger	Pamela	6/7/85	7/22/85	
109	Howard	Charles	9/17/87		
033	Howard	John	6/2/72	4/12/79	
aux	Hunt				
085	Iannucci	Ralph	5/12/83	5/1/89	
aux	Inda	Roberto	11/10/70	unk	
086	James	Daniel	8/15/83		
aux	James	Danny Lee	app1972	unk	
073	Javarone	Mary	1/5/82	10/2/83	
016	Jeffery	Alfred 'Jeff'	11/20/67	7/15/81	
061	Jones	David	11/30/79		
059	Jones	Joan	11/2/79	11/15/82	First female Detective
108	Keeler	Barbara	8/7/87	2/11/88	
093	Kelly	Richard	2/15/85	10/29/87	
038	Kenneth	Stephen	4/6/73	2/26/99	
na	Kish	Joseph	4/11/55	8/5/55	
046	Kon	Joan	3/19/76		
154	Kouchakjy	Randa	9/21/98		
014	Kreulen	Kenneth	9/18/67	9/9/82	
040	LaDoucher	Lawrence	10/12/73	8/28/75	
063	Lanza	Anthony 'Tony'	6/6/80	9/1/83	
080	Lenihan	Martin 'Mark'	4/15/83	11/23/86	
Jud	Leonard	William F.	1/17/56	unk	
068	Lewis	Howard 'Tony'	11/28/80		
aux	Littlefield	Stephen	10/13/77	1978	
aux	Lockhart	James	9/30/68	unk	
na	Londo	Ray	9/5/57	5/30/63	
037	Lulofs	Larry	2/2/73	2/1/93	
na	Lynch	John	approx 1954	approx 10/56	

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ID	Last	First	From:	To:	
162	MacAuley	Robert	5/5/00		
dpt	Mack	Paul	1947		Special Deputy Sheriff
023	Magnum	Milton	9/18/67	2/20/71	
084	Mandel	Aryeh	4/11/83	4/17/85	
003	Marolt	Ladimer "Laddie"	4/15/57	11/1/74	
mt	Marolt	Pauline			matron
aux	Matlock	Fletcher "Matty"	8/16/62	12/13/70	
na	Matlock	Matthew	5/1/56	unk	
na	Matlock	Wallace	4/26/56	unk	
aux	McCabe	Bernard "Bill"	1/12/60	unk	
112	McCammon	Hettie "Kay"	3/7/88		
099	McCampbell	Roy	4/11/86	5/7/97	
104	McClellan	Kevin	12/29/86	4/19/89	
	McCormick				
090	"Jones"	Lori	12/14/84	1/25/85	
087	McCoy	Paula	6/29/84	12/20/86	
aux	Mccrary	Charles	2/10/64	1978	
na	McGinnis	Joseph	10/25/56	8/23/63	dispatcher
aux	Mellen	James	10/5/68	1/28/70	
na	Merchant	Arthur	Apr-58	unk	
aux	Merton	George	3/27/59	unk	
aux	Metz	Leroy	8/4/69	unk	
na	Miller	Felix	9/3/56	unk	
na	Miller	Floyd	Feb-50	Oct-50	village 1st patrol officer
na	Miller	Phillip		unk	
msl	Mitchell	Mark Jr	1949		
na	Mock	Robert "Bob"	7/11/59	unk	dispatcher
032	Moore	Philip	3/31/72	2/23/78	7/22/71 aux
095	Mulligan	Christopher	5/24/85	3/19/87	
026	Nevola	Alfred	12/18/69	10/12/70	
aux	Novy	Edward	Sep-59	4/26/68	
015	Novy	Ronald	Sep-67	6/15/72	
012	Null	Raymond	5/1/66	8/8/74	
jud	Oconnor	Frances			
126	OJ Special				
127	OJ Special				
128	OJ Special				
129	OJ Special				
130	OJ Special				
125	OJ Special Assignment				
050	Outwater	Peter	5/6/77	10/28/79	
aux	Oxley	Glenn	8/21/68	unk	
139	Palacio	Erik	1/20/95	10/10/97	
114	Perry	Brian	10/7/88		
158	Petit Papa	Frantz	7/23/99		
aux	Philbin	William	8/29/57	unk	
142	Phillips	Tianna	10/23/95	4/26/96	
007	Pierson	Clyde 'David'	5/31/63	1/2/85	
120	Pollaccia	Caren	7/7/89	10/6/89	
na	Proctor	George	11/2/57	unk	dispatcher
aux	Purvis	Marion	12/14/70	unk	

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ID	Last	First	From:	To:	
105	Raimondi	Dominic	12/29/86		
107	Reffett	Maryann	5/18/87	3/6/89	
na	Reynolds	Thomas	11/29/63	10/26/67	
na	Richardson	Howard		unk	
na	Richardson	Lee Jr	4/23/56	1956	or 9/20/55 start
011	Ridenour	Donald	10/22/65	1/1/89	
062	Roberts	Craig	12/14/79	2/16/83	
aux	Rocchio	John		3/19/62	
138	Rocky (K9)	10/4/93			
152	Rohr	Robert	4/17/98		
147	Rossi	Joel	3/5/97	10/23/98	
aux	Rothe	Robert	1974	1978	
021	Sadowski	Carl	9/13/68	unk	
msl	Sanderson	Harley		1949	
dpo	Saxer	Charles	2/6/54	10/7/55	deputy police officer
sp	Saxon	Lenora	Sep-56		
002	Saxon	Raymond	05/24/56	Mar-77	started as dispatcher
030	Schaefer	Gerard	9/3/71	4/20/72	
028	Schemm	Kenneth	11/27/70	7/18/76	
151	Schenck	Thomas	2/16/98	12/9/99	
001	Scott	Bernard S.	4/23/58	1/1/89	
117	Sedacca	Ronald	4/14/89	3/29/90	
aux	Sharrow	Stephen	3/8/59	12/16/63	
124	Shawver	Rick	8/10/90		
047	Shearouse	Ronald	9/24/76	3/18/83	
079	Shewan	Frances	1/4/83	1/15/00	
144	Shields	Timothy	12/15/95	5/22/96	
145	Shoemaker	Amy	8/23/96	12/5/98	
089	Shotwell	Mark	10/1/84	3/6/89	
039	Shults	Edward 'Dutch'	approx 1973	4/9/77	
094	Shults	Kevin (son of '039')	3/29/85	12/14/86	
060	Signor	Kenneth	11/30/79	7/2/80	
005	Siler	Robert	10/7/60	10/1/82	
083	Smith	Harold 'Toby'	4/11/83	5/1/87	
aux	Snyder	William	11/4/59	unk	
035	Speaker	Fred	6/16/72	11/2/84	
082	Spiegel	Matthew	4/11/83	7/12/84	
na	Stauffer	Floyd		1/3/64	
141	Stecchi	Susyn	9/29/95	7/1/76	
aux	Stefania				
075	Steiger	Priscilla 'Pat'	8/27/82	12/30/99	
106	Stenger	Fred	12/29/86	5/11/01	
043	Stone	Patricia	11/7/75	1/30/76	
na	Stover	Elmer "Smokey"	10/2/56	unk	
aux	Strick	Ron	Apr-72	unk	
058	Sult	Linda	10/15/79	4/14/80	
aux	Tagye	Thomas	4/18/73	unk	
na	Terrill	PJ "Tiny"	1956	unk	
na	Teufel	Harold	10/17/58	5/30/63	start \$70 wk
022	Thomas	Richard Jr	9/13/68	6/27/73	

Wilton Manors Police Department Employees
1947-2001

ID	Last	First	From:	To:	
aux	Thuma	Tony	3/8/59	unk	
na	Tice	Harley "Ernest"	1/18/58	9/12/62	
052	Tozzie	Jeffrey	9/30/77	8/17/79	
076	Trephan	John	11/5/82		
163	Troy (K-9)		1/19/01		
aux	VanBuren		5/27/05		
na	VanHorn	William	3/9/54	1/1/55	
056	Varona	Laureano 'Tony'	5/25/79	7/24/80	
010	Vastine	Jack	9/26/65		
aux	Vastine	William	8/12/66	11/11/70	
113	Velazquez	Nydia	3/21/88		
077	Voisey	John	11/5/82	7/12/84	
053	Vorndran	John	4/14/78	3/6/80	
dpo	Wakeley	Wallace	2/6/54	10/7/55	deputy police officer
na	Wallace	Marvin	9/17/62	3/20/64	
088	Ward	Clinton	6/29/84	2/9/86	
140	Wells	Arthur	2/17/95	5/12/95	
aux	Werk	Lou	Apr-72	1978	
136	Whelan	David	10/27/93	10/21/94	
aux	Whigham	Arnold	5/11/64		
045	Whisman	Mary	3/5/76	5/10/79	
aux	White			1978	
070	Wierzbicki	Richard	6/26/81		
051	Wiley	Richard	5/6/77		
009	Woods	Erwin	1/10/64	10/1/84	
131	Yates	Adam	9/13/91		
049	Youngberg	Joel 'Brad'	11/17/76	11/4/78	
119	Zangara	Robert	7/6/89	10/1/93	
na	Zullick	Robert	Aug-62	5/2/68	
ID=					
#=	issued to each employee since 1968				
na=	employed prior to 1968				
aux=	auxiliary officer				
sp=	school patrol				
jud=	municipal judge				
dpt=	deputy				
msl=	marshall				
dpo=	deputy police officer				

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001	Scott	Bernard S.	4/23/58	12/31/88	042	DeCeuninck	Jerome	7/24/75	3/31/83
002	Saxon	Raymond	Nov-57	Feb-77	043	Stone	Patricia	11/7/75	1/30/76
003	Marolt	Laddie	approx 1957	11/1/74	044	Butler	Doris	11/21/75	12/15/88
004	DeRoo	William	3/18/60	12/24/76	045	Whisman	Mary	3/5/76	5/10/79
005	Siler	Robert	10/17/660	9/30/82	046	Kon	Joan	3/19/76	
006	Hempstead	Perry	6/21/63	8/1/88	047	Shearouse	Ronald	9/24/76	3/19/83
007	Pierson	Clyde 'David'	5/31/63	1/2/85	048	Bradshaw	Joseph	9/24/76	5/29/80
008	Damn	William	Jan '64	1/9/69	049	Youngberg	Joel 'Brad'	11/17/76	11/4/78
009	Woods	Erwin	1/10/64	10/1/84	050	Outwater	Peter	5/6/77	10/28/79
010	Vastine	Jack	9/26/65		051	Wiley	Richard	5/6/77	
011	Ridenour	Donald	10/22/65	12/31/88	052	Tozzie	Jeffrey	9/30/77	8/17/79
012	Null	Raymond	5/1/66	8/8/74	053	Vorndran	John	4/14/78	3/6/80
013	Heathcock	John	9/18/67	7/1/71	054	Conover	Scott	8/4/78	10/9/87
014	Kreulen	Kenneth	9/18/67	9/9/82	055	Bigelsen	Peter	12/29/78	
015	Novy	Ronald	Sep-67	6/15/72	056	Varona	Laureano 'Tony'	5/25/79	7/24/80
016	Jeffery	Alfred 'Jeff'	11/20/67	7/15/81	057	Gabrielli	Joan	8/3/79	10/29/82
017	Hagen	Warren	1/19/68	7/5/69	058	Sult	Linda	10/15/79	4/14/80
018	Hackert	Paul	5/3/68	10/3/69	059	Jones	Joan	11/2/79	11/14/82
019	Hostiuck	Robert "Gary"	1/9/67	6/1/97	060	Signor	Kenneth	11/30/79	7/2/80
020	Biggs	Richard	9/13/68	1/20/92	061	Jones	David	11/30/79	
021	Sadowski	Carl	9/13/68	unk	062	Roberts	Craig	12/14/79	2/15/83
022	Thomas	Richard Jr	9/13/68	6/27/73	063	Lanza	Anthony 'Tony'	6/6/80	9/1/83
023	Magnum	Milton	9/18/67	2/20/71	064	Hart	David	6/6/80	
024	Feazel	Rodney	11/21/69	2/25/72	065	DeCeuninck "Stamler"	Sharon	7/1/80	approx
025	Bartanowitz	Stephen	11/21/69	4/21/72	066	Coder	John	8/15/80	
026	Nevola	Alfred	12/18/69	10/12/70	067	Gribbon	Elizabeth	8/18/80	
027	Hooper	Robert	6/6/70	4/5/73	068	Lewis	Howard 'Tony'	11/28/80	
028	Schemm	Kenneth	11/27/70	7/18/76	069	Chusmir	Steven	4/21/81	4/9/85
029	Bartlett	Richard	2/26/71	10/23/75	070	Wierzbicki	Richard	6/26/81	
030	Schaefer	Gerard	9/3/71	4/20/72	071	Conti	JoAnn	10/6/81	
031	Bell	Jay	3/10/72	10/16/80	072	Duxbury	Thomas	3/1/82	11/8/82
032	Moore	Philip	3/31/72	2/23/78	073	Javarone	Mary	1/5/82	10/2/83
033	Howard	John	6/2/72	4/12/79	074	Dahlstrom	Richard	1/4/82	8/31/82
034	Carroll	Roger	6/9/72	12/21/89	075	Steiger	Priscilla 'Pat'	8/27/82	12/30/99
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WMPD history?

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10/25/61 Captain Harold Gair made Acting Chief of Police by Harold T. Price, Mayor (pending action of the civil service board).

5/22/56 - no detective or investigator in WMPD

1960 salary:

Chief of Police	6800 annual
Captain	6500
Sgt.	5980
Patrolman	4680
Desk Officer	5590
Dispatcher	4420

~~1st Detectives~~
women police powers
year state mand training?

2/23/54 committee set up to work up pay scale for the police department and report back to council. On 3/23/54 it reported back that it recommended a new patrolmen began at \$60 week, and end of 3month probationary time to \$65. Thereafter all increases granted on merit bases on recommendation of Police chief. Council passed. 12/7/54 committee recommend starting pay for sergeant 76.16 week.

July 19, 1951 "The Wilton Manors Bulletin" lists Emergency Phone Numbers: "Fire and Police: 2-1411" or blow siren station on Manor Market Building. Fire Blow 4 times. Police Blow 2 times. ?

1/10/56 the police department the police department was first available for 24hour service. The Police Department radio station at 2197 Wilton Drive went into operation. PJ Tiny Terrill was the first dispatcher to use the system. Chief Beaney advised the citizens "The police department will now be open 24 hours a day." "Call Logan 4-1000 day or night. Fire, water department and police vehicles will all be radio controlled."

According to the May 13, 1956 Fort Lauderdale Sunday News the Wilton Manors Topics by Virginia Rogers that April was a relatively quiet month for the police department. "There were only three accidents, no injuries, 11 disturbances, 5 cases of disorderly conduct, 8 thefts, 1 prowler, 7 vandalism cases, 6 dog complaints, 27 service calls and a total of 51 arrests with fines and forfeitures of \$1,223.00."

5/27/1956 city had one patrol unit.

2197 Wilton Drive was office area 20'x60' which housed the police department, water department, building department, fire and sanitation department employees.

In 1956 Mayor Frank Starling designed the official seal depicting the sun setting behind the Manor gates.

In September of 1956 the police department comprised of Chief, Sergeant, 5 patrolmen, 3 dispatchers and 3 school patrolwomen.

Chief Richard Beaney. Fired 5/21/57. Petition was drawn by members of the police department asking for the Chief's Dismissal apparently on the grounds of misconduct which the Chief denied. Chief felt the incident stemmed from domestic troubles.

Thomas Brace retired from the Pennsylvania State Police after 25 years of service where he received two special citations for outstanding work in solving a murder and armed robbery case. In March 1956 he was

hired as a dispatcher for the Wilton Manors Police Department and seven months later was promoted to sergeant.

Harold Gair was a night dispatcher in October 1956. Resigned in 1966 due to ill health.

Felix Miller 1966 took over as chief when Gair resigned.

Chief Bernard S. Scott started with Wilton Manors PD in 1958 as a patrolman. In 1960 he was assigned to the motorcycle. In 1961 promoted to Detective and to sergeant in 1963. August 1966 became Chief of Police and was the youngest police chief in the state of Florida and was paid \$7925 annually and 21 employees within the department. First to use four day week for all employees within the department. Firm supporter of youth of the community.

Acting chief Lynch on 6/8/54 per agenda

8/31/54 Chief Beaney asked to promote one of patrolman to sgt – tabled. On 9/14/54 council approved Officer Lynch to rank of sergeant.

1968 the police department obtained an 'ambulette' – a station wagon equipped with stretcher, oxygen and other emergency equipment – but would also be used for patrol.

7/2/57 moved to 521 NE 21 ct from 2 blocks away (cost \$163,000). Phone number would still stay the same for emergency – LO 4-1000. But all other asked to call LO 6-1558. The new facility (the Municipal Center) includes the first jail for the city, allowing space for 19 prisoners. Chief Thomas Brace at the time. Lt Vastine remembers the days when the jails were used for other than a holding cell. Back in the 60's things were calmer. The jail was used to house misdemeanor prisoners, the felons were transported down to the Sheriff's Department facilities. Usually the weekend would have a few visitors – typically the regular 'client' that had a few too many beers over the weekend. The officer would bring the 'bad guy' into the station and then told them to lock themselves in. They would go in and sleep it off. Meals were gotten from the Clock Dinner near 5 Points. The officer would ask the prisoner what they wanted, call in the order, and then picked it up. Some of the weekend prisoners were so well known they would go out and wash the patrol cars – unsupervised. Those were the days when everyone knew everyone else and there was no want to wrestle or argue or harm the police.

5 man force on 8/25/55 and Chief Beaney requesting 8. On 8/25/55 after city offices closed the police phone number rings at the Chief's home and according to the Fort Lauderdale Daily News Virginia Rogers this would wake up his family six or seven times a night. Within a few days council approved increasing the department to 7. This would allow for 2 men for each of the 3 8hr shifts and one night desk person.

1956 – City council reactivated the payroll committee to work out a complete pay scale.

1956 council adopts police manual proposed by Chief Beaney that contains complete rules and regulations for the operation of the department, duties of all officers, and disciplinary actions.

According to a story by Virginia Rogers in 1956 in the Wilton Manors Topics, "Housing Problem. One problem...is finding adequate housing for patrolmen at a price they can afford on their starting salaries of \$60 a week. Patrolman Elmer Stover, with four sons aged 4, 6, 8 and 10, is paying \$125 a month rent for a two-bedroom frame house. Unless he can locate lower-priced quarters he may be forced to leave the department. Anyone with a solution to this chronic problem is asked to contact the police department."

Identity problem – 1956 Chief Beaney laments that no one knows the city is Wilton Manors with an “s”.

Later – Island City. It was not until November of 1956 that the city could convince the Turnpike Authority to include Wilton Manors on their map. Perhaps with this backing then Rand-McNally would listen and also recognize Wilton Manors. Mail addressed to Wilton Manors is delivered without the necessity of adding to the address “Ft. Lauderdale, Florida”, as has been required in the past” advised Mr. Starling, postmaster of Wilton Manors in the 2/9/54 council meeting.

According to Norman Malcolm, a city history researcher, Wilton was selected by E.J. Willingham, to perpetuate a branch of the Willingham family in England. “Manors” comes from the dictionary meaning ‘landed estates’.

Minutes 12/19/47 – “It was agreed upon by the council that Mr. A.B. Carter is to write a letter to Mr. Reggie Martin, W.F.T.L. radio station giving him authority, and asking him to mention Wilton Manors in their broadcasts.”

1/13/57(sun?) – Mrs. Shary O’Hara Bird Queen on Friday Night’s Ralph Renick’s 6:PM news show. RE Gate-house and eviction proceedings. After she was evicted from the Gate-House she spent 2 days encamped on Wilton Drive sidewalk with her mynah birds, parakeets and dogs following her.

Population in 1958 said to be in excess of 10,000
1980 pd had 32 employees

Census for Wilton Manors
1950 – 883
1960 8257
1970 10948
1980 12742
1990 11804
2000 12697

Auxiliary disband 1978?????

Radio’s

2/9/54 chief Beaney got approved the purchase of a Walkie-talkie (\$278.12 cost)

Tube type
GE – bad reception
Better
FLPD

Badges:

UNIFORMS:

Regular Patrol Uniforms:

Still in effect 1966:

Two Tone shirts – Dark blue with gray pocket
Gray Hat
Gray pants with blue side stripe

1967:
Gray shirt and gray pants
Changed to:
Dark Blue Shirt
Dark Blue Pants

Auxiliary Uniforms:
1970 changed to Short sleeve gray shirt??

Vehicles:

Nov 11, 1950 ordinance number 16 signed to provide for a Mayor's court for the trial of offenders charged with a breach of the village ordinances. The Mayor of the Village was to be Judge.

Town Marshall in May of 1952

Once Councilman designated as Police Commissioner including August 26 1952.
Mr. J. Marvin Brown Police Commissioner 11/11/52

Chief Beaney started at \$70 week in March 1952.

Officer William R. Hooks \$55 week..hired 3/11/52. Hooks resigned 3/25/52. And approximately March 52 Robert S. Hickman was hired as replacement.

11/11/52 Chief requested another officer. (3man total then/approved Officer Carrie).

MOTORCYCLE:

11/14/52 purchased dept first motorcycle unit – a 1950 Harley-davidson for \$450 cash.
On 2/9/54 council meeting Chief Beaney requested purchase of a radio equipped motorcycle; advising that \$400 would be the current trade-in value of the old motorcycle, making the new one cost \$1,368.40 net.
No action taken.

CARS:

2/9/54 council were going to contact the State in an effort to collect some portion of the damage done to the police car which was wrecked in July.

12/7/54 authorized purchase of a 6 passenger Country Sedan V-8 less trade in allowance \$1114.32

3/1/55 authorized purchase of 2nd police vehicle 55 6 cylinder 2dr. to be used in emergencies during day by the PD, the Road Dept and Water Dept at night and on Sundays by the PD.

3/15/55 "In accordance with Mr. Waleley's request Mr. Middleton made motion the city purchase a resuscitator at a cost of \$275.00 to be carried in the Police patrol car; motion seconded..." Note it was rec in May 1955.

4/5/55 "Chief Beaney recommended the purchase of a Police Monitor set for Police Headquarters and advised that \$69.00 set was available for \$44.50. Mr. Starling made motion the Monitor set be purchased for \$44.50; seconded by Mr. Saxer and carried unanimously.

5/17/55 Chief Beaney's salary increased to \$100 week

6/21/55 "complying with Chief Beaney's request for a radio for the City car, which the Police Department uses at night, Mr. Richardson made motion Chief Beaney be authorized to purchase a used radio from the Sheriff's Department for \$100.00 and a generator necessary to operate the radio for \$160.00; motion seconded by Mr. Starling and carried.

9/20/55:" In a letter dated September 19th, 1955 the Southern Bell Tel. An Tel. Outlined a plan for private line radio telephone service, which Chief Beaney had discussed with officials of the Telephone Company. Chief Beaney advised that the Sheriff's department is in the process of changing frequency and under our present radio set-up it will be necessary for the city of Wilton Manors to do likewise, which will be expensive and possibly just a temporary measure. He, therefore, recommends a change. Mr. Middleton made motion Chief Beaney work with Mr. Miller to prepare a contract between the City and Southern Bell tel. And Tel as soon as possible; motion seconded by Mr. Starling and carried."

L0/4/55 "Inasmuch as Motorola offered a more advantageous plan to the City than did Southern Bell Telegraph and Telephone Mr. Saxer made a motion that the original plan to enter into a contract with Southern Bell be cancelled and the City enter into a contract with Motorola; motion seconded by Mr. Starling and carried unanimously""

L2/20/55 "chief Beaney advised that the radio equipment has arrived and a dispatcher is needed to operate it. Mr. Stevens made motion that a committee composed of Mr. Middleton, Chief Beaney and Mr. Joslin contact Lauderdale by the sea, Oakland Park and Seacord Ambulance in an effort to combine radio service; motion seconded by Mr. Middleton and carried unanimously."

2/1/54 Chief Beaney requested an additional officer was urgently needed due to recent robberies that occurred. The Sheriff's department offered to work with WMPD detailing one of their men to work in WM from midnight to daylight. But Chief recommended the new officer to be obtained to patrol the business district on foot. The council agreed to put on an additional man for the duration of the season.

2/9/54 chief Beaney advised that the Police department, due to the emergency and the shortage of officers, was working a great deal of overtime. Motion was made and passed that the officers be paid at their usual scale of pay when working on their day off and when working overtime hours until a fourth man is added to the department.

2/23/54 chief Beaney made Deputy Police Clerk to act in said capacity only when the Clerk was not available to perform such duties.

11/16/54 – discussion of the **new pension plan** now in existence for the Police Department and salary increases was postponed until the next regular meeting. Mr. Saxer made motion the President of the council appoint a committee to establish a recommended pay scale for the Police Department; seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried.

7/18/47 "Mr. Robinson made a motion seconded by Mr. Brown that the Mayor be given authority to appoint a deputy to assist the Town Marshall and an assistant clerk to function in case of absence of the Clerk."

10/17/47 minutes - "Mayor Turner introduced Mr. Butler of the Beach Patrol. Officer Butler has made a survey of the streets of Wilton Manor and suggested that a fee be collected from the residents of 50 cents a week or \$2.00 a month for patrolling streets 24hrs a day. Mr. Butler hoped that a radio control station can be obtained and as all cars are equipped with radios all one would have to do to report any irregularity would be to use their phone, call the radio station and they in turn would contact police cars. Mayor Turner was of the opinion that part of this could be paid by court fees obtained from fines and part collected from residents. Mr. Butler to solicit the homes. In order to collect fines it was recognized an ordinance will have to be adopted, a court set up with the Mayor attending."

11/21/47 minutes - "After discussing the necessity of having police protection it was moved by Mr. Chabot seconded by Mr. Boyd that the Town Marshall be equipped with siren and placard, he already has badge and gun, and make necessary arrests of speeders. The Beach patrol was so informed. Mr. Boyd suggested if the Beach Patrol would like to set up a radio station in Wilton Manor permission be given and a franchise to be collected for this privilege."

12/19/47 minutes - "After a lengthy discussion regarding police protection for Wilton Manors, it was suggested by Colonel Robinson that Mr. Butler see Sheriff Walter Clark in regards to having all law breakers within the city limits of Wilton Manors be taken to the county jail and thereby tried in county court. It was also believed by Colonel Robinson that some arrangement could be made with Sheriff Clark to have a percent of the money received through costs turned over to Mr. Butler for his services. A motion was made by Colonel Robinson and seconded by Mr. Brown and approved by council to give Mr. Butler permission to solicit fees in Wilton Manors for police protection."

Minutes 5/21/48 "Mr. Leaver advised that an arrest was made by the Town Marshall for speeding and reckless driving and a bond posted of \$25.00 which was forfeited making our Treasury \$25.00 to the Good.

7/17/47 "Mr. Hagen wished to advise he had been approached by several people objecting to the racing of motor bikes or motor scooters through the streets of Wilton Manors with mufflers open. Others of the Council have been similarly contacted. Mr. Hagen also advised in addition to a Marshall the Village may have a sheriff of (or) constable. He had talked to Sheriff Walter Clark who will be willing to swear in a sheriff or constable for the Village. Mayor Turner appointed Mr. Boyd and Mr. Hagen to investigate the laws of Ft. Lauderdale regarding steps to be taken to eliminate this and report back to the Council."

7/30/47 minutes "Mr. Hagen read the noise ordinance from a book Mr. Mack had obtained from the City of Ft. Lauderdale. Mr. Robinson moved the Village Attorney prepare an ordinance on operation of motor vehicles. Motion was seconded by Mr. Brown. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hagen that Mr. Paul Mack be appointed Special Deputy Sheriff for the purposes of enforcing the motor vehicle ordinance and a letter be written to Sheriff Clark from the Council authorizing this appointment with bond to be furnished by the Village."

Civic Association Minutes --- 10/3/47 "Mr. Chabot called on Mr. Wrains, one of the three members of the Beach Patrol, who were present at the meeting, to discuss the problem of patrolling Wilton Manors. Mr. Wrains stated that they had not prepared any estimated cost for their services. He said that arrangements could be made for individual service or for the patrolling of the entire village. He mentioned that the benefits to be received from their services would be, protection of homes and businesses, also a patrol of the highways in the interest of safety. He asked if it would be possible to establish an office and an FM station in Wilton Manors. After much discussion, Mr. Mitchell made a motion that the Beach Patrol submit an estimate of the charge for individual service, also for community patrol. This motion was withdrawn by Mr. Mitchell and restated to read that the Beach Patrol submit the charge for a group service to be based

upon the number of subscribers. Motion was seconded by Colonel Robinson, put to a vote and carried. A motion was made by Colonel Robinson, seconded by Mr. Sanderson, that the Association recommend to the city Council that consideration be given a proposition from the Beach Patrol for highway patrol, if in line with statute rights of the Charter. Motion was carried."

Civic Assoc 11/7/47 "Mr. Chabot called on Mr. Butler of the Beach Patrol, To present the actual cost that would be involved in obtaining a patrol of Wilton Manor. Mr. Butler stated that it would cost \$200.00 per month for patrolling the highway and the residential section. He also stated that if we set up a court, it would defray at least half of this amount, and the balance could be collected by soliciting the residents. Mr. Butler offered his services in this capacity."

9/17/48 minutes "Mr. Hagen presented to the Council a list of street signs recommended by the Deputy Sheriff Mr. Mack who said he had been advised by the Sheriffs Office in Ft. Lauderdale that signs would be necessary for enforcement of speed laws in the Village. This list was read by the Clerk and discussed by the Council who made some corrections and omissions. Mayor Turner appointed Mr. Hagen and Mr. Chabot to check on street signs and a motion was made by Mr. Boyd and seconded by Mr. Chabot that the findings in regarding to stop signs be left to the discretion of Mr. Hagen and Mr. Chabot and they are to give Mr. Mack permission to order signs. All other corrections were made at the meeting."

1/21/49 minutes "A motion was made by Mr. Brown seconded by Mr. Boyd a letter be written by Mr. Robinson to the Justice of the Peace asking a constable be appointed to serve a certain amount of time to check traffic violations in the Village of Wilton Manor(s)."

2/18/49 "Mr. Robinson reported the Justice of the Peace will co-operate and appoint a constable to check traffic violations in the Village."

9/19/49 - "The Marshal told the Council of the 38 caliber German automatic revolver costing \$35.00 which he purchased to use in his capacity as Marshal and asked the Council if their intention had been to reimburse him for his outlay of the money to pay for this or should be (he) personally own the gun. The Marshal also reminded the Council he was of the impression he was to receive a part fee or \$10.00 of the \$25.00 collected from arrest made by him in May of 1948."

1-21-49 minutes "Marshall Sanderson presented a bill of \$45. For gun and his portion of fine obtained from an arrest. Mr. Boyd made a motion seconded by Mr. Brown this bill be paid.

1/21/49 minutes "Marshall Sanderson asked Mr. Hagen if he had acquired assistance in helping to obtain order at Hainey's Ho-Down. Mr. Hagen said Paul Mack Deputy Marshal would be at the dances every Saturday night."

11/18/49 "A motion was made by Mr. Chabot seconded by Mr. Brown the retiring Marshall Harley Sanderson be asked to turn over his badge and gun to the incoming Village Marshall Mark Mitchell JR. Mr. Robinson made a motion seconded by Mr. Boyd the Village request Sheriff Walter Clark to make a Deputy of the new Marshall at the expense of the Village."

1/20/50 "Mr. Robinson would like Council to consider asking Mr. Harry Sullivan to patrol Wilton Drive during the winter season for a few hours a couple of days a week and reimburse him for his time, so as to curb the speeding (speeding) on Wilton Drive. Mr. Sullivan is to be contacted for a proposition."

2/16/50 minutes "Mr. Brady presented a petition requesting police protection. Mr. Robinson made a motion seconded by Mr. Brown that the Council appoint a patrolman, that this would be an emergency (emergency) measure and the Council should appoint a committee to examine the applications for

patrolman and find out what wages they would expect, Also to contact the business on Wilton Blvd. And they should be requested to contribute to maintain this patrol, and also the committee should inquire as to have (how) much contribution and the hours that they would like this patrol.”

2/17/50 “The Marshall Mr. Mitchell wish(ed) to advise the council he was willing to help in any way he could but he was not a trained investigator and felt he could not protect the Village adequately against the recent crime wave.” “Mr. Chabot and Mr. Brown who were appointed at the Special meeting to interview candidates for police protection reported they would soon be ready to make recommendations to Council.”

2/22/50 “Mr. Robinson stated a thorough investigation had been made of all applicants for police officer, by Mr. Brown, Mr. Chabot and himself and that Floyd Miller was their recommendation for the position. Mr. Robinson made a motion seconded by Mr. Boyd that Floyd Miller be appointed for a 60 day temporary basis and that anytime his actions should meet with disapproval of the Council his contract be terminated. Mr. Robinson was asked by the President of the Council to draw up a contract for police office (officer) as soon as possible but that Mr. Floyd Miller would be notified to report immediately for duty. Mr. Robinson to arrange for workmans compensation and employees liability insurance to cover Mr. Miller.”

3/17/50 “Mr. Brown is also trying to get a police radio for the Village policemen car.”

5//19/50 “A letter was read by the Clerk from Capt G.B Hanna of the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department regarding the radio to be used in the car operated by the Village Police Patrol. Mr. Brown advised both Walter and Robert Clark of the Sheriff Department have agreed to give the Village of Wilton Manor(s) a radio to be used in the protection of the Village.” “Mr. Robinson made a motion seconded by Mr. Boyd that Mr. Brown get this radio from the sheriffs, have it put in working order and installed in the Police car and to re-imburse the sheriff office if necessary.”

6/16/60 “Mr. Brown advised he was still trying to get the radio for the police patrol car in working order and had talked to both Mr. Walter and Bob Clark. Mr. Boyd said he would see either Bob Clark or the Sheriff to see if he could help get the radio working.”

10/20/50 “Mr. Brown advised he and Mr. Miller had agreed upon a 10% increase in salary if acceptable to council.” A motion was made by Mr. Boyd seconded by Mr. Brown, Mr. Miller be given a 10% increase in salary. Mr. Brown advised Sheriff Clark had been paying out of his own pocket the cost of the police radio in Mr. Millers car and as Mr. Clark is no long sheriff the Sherif Department was asking the Village to pay this charge of \$150.00 a year for the use of the central call system on radio and \$5.00 a month flat rate to technician regardless of whether or not any work was necessary. A motion was made by Mr. Brown seconded by Mr. Boyd these charges be paid.” “Mr. Brown asked the duties of the Village Marshall. Mr. Robinson informed Mr. Brown the duties of the Village Marshall is to attend meetings of the Council and to enforce the Village laws.”

10/30/50 “The purpose of this meeting was to take under advisement the resignation of the Police Officer Mr. Miller. A motion was made by Mr. Robinson seconded by Mr. Boyd that we refer the matter to the Police commissioner and authorize him to act. Mr. Robinson made a motion Council request the Sheriff to appoint J.Marvin Brown deputy with bond as required and the Village to pay for the Bond and the Police Commissioner be authorized to have radio removed from Mr. Millers Car and store on his premises, motion seconded by Mr. Chabot. Mr. Chabot made a motion seconded by Mr. Robinson and add (ad) be run in the dailey (daily) news for a police officer.”

11/17/50 – “Mr. Brown reported to the Council it is necessary to purchase a heavy duty generator to operate the radio in the police car. A new generator with discount can be purchased for \$105.00 Mr. Miller the former policeman will sell the generator used by him for \$75.00 not installed, which he used for 8 months patrolling (patrolling) the Village.” Mr. Brown advised it was also necessary to buy a siren for the police car. A motion was made by Mr. Chabot seconded by Mr. Robinson, Mr. Brown be authorized to buy the generator from Mr. Miller and attend to installation of radio in police car after generator is checked and found in good condition also if necessary to pay the previous bill of \$25.00 presented for installation of radio in Mr. Millers car.