

Commissioners from time to time; provided that such clerks shall not be deemed a part of the police force, nor entitled to the benefit of pension laws for members of the police force, nor be entitled to wear the police uniform.

426. Contraband or Seized Articles.

(a) The Chief of Police, or a person authorized by him,

(1) may destroy any contraband articles or goods seized by or delivered to said department, after removing any money contained therein.

(2) shall sell at public auction all lost, abandoned, unclaimed, forfeited, undistributed contraband, or stolen property, remaining in the possession of the department for a period of six (6) months without a lawful claimant.

(b) The Chief of Police shall pay over to the County Treasurer for the use of the County, all money removed from contraband, all proceeds of such sales, and all lost, abandoned, unclaimed, forfeited, or stolen money remaining in the possession of the department for a period of six (6) months without a lawful claimant.

427. Powers.

The members of the Anne Arundel County Police Force shall have all of the powers possessed by the sheriffs of the State of Maryland under the general law of the State, or under the local laws of Anne Arundel County, insofar as such powers are in reference to the criminal jurisdiction of said sheriffs in making arrests or in any manner enforcing the law or laws of the State of Maryland.

428. Equipment.

The County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County shall equip and arm said Anne Arundel County Police Force. The County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to purchase equipment including motor vehicles, motorcycles with or without sidecars, radio receiving and sending apparatus, both for stationary use and for use in and about said motor vehicles, in such number, together with such other police equipment, as in the judgment of the said County Commissioners may seem advisable for the use of said Anne Arundel County Police Department, and said County Commissioners may from time to time sell, trade or otherwise dispose of said motor vehicles, or motorcycles, or radio or other equip-