

## W.Va. town to finally pay for cops' guns

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MASON, W.Va. -- A small West Virginia town is finally going to buy handguns for its police officers, who have always supplied their own pistols. Mason Mayor Mindy Kearns agreed with the City Council's decision to budget \$3,600 so the police department can buy six Sigarm P229 .40 caliber handguns, the Charleston Daily Mail reported Monday. "Of all the handguns I've used, it's like the Cadillac of the fleet," said new Police Chief Jess Johnson, who proposed the idea of ordering standard weapons for the officers who police the town of just over 1,000 people that was first chartered 151 years ago. "It seems like the weapon everyone is trying to get hold of. We're lucky we got our order in."

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