

WORK SESSION MINUTES

June 23, 2014

11:00 a.m.

Commissioners' Office Conference Room

PRESENT: Commissioners Allen Springer, Kathy George, and Mary Starrett.

STAFF: Laura Tschabold, Christian Boenisch, Chuck Vesper, Todd Sadlo, Tim Svenson and Sgt. Brandon Bowdle.

GUESTS: Jeff Kosmicki, 401 E 3rd St., Newberg; Don Iler, News-Register; Truman Stone, Newberg City Attorney; Bob Andrews, Newberg Mayor; Brian Casey, Newberg/Dundee Police; Denise Bacon, Newberg City Council; Donn Callaham and Nancy Woodworth, 23351 NW Turner Creek Rd., Yamhill.

TOPIC: Dog Control

Allen called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss integration of Newberg into the County's animal control program. Newberg is no longer planning to operate its separate dog control program and the services will need to be provided by the County's program. Kathy mentioned that this possibility had been discussed several times during the past 11 years, but the circumstances had not been in place to actually make the change.

It was recognized by the group that to facilitate combining the two programs, decisions need to be made regarding maintenance of Newberg's new dog facility, and allocation of license fees. These decisions are especially important since the County's animal control program is wholly fee-supported, and the Newberg facility has been receiving the locally generated license fees.

There was general discussion of possibilities, and Sgt. Tim Svenson agreed to do further research on private sector bed rentals and their costs, current and annual operating costs such as facility maintenance, repairs, personnel costs, potential savings and building ownership.

The group will convene another work session, date and time to be determined.

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Anne Britt
Secretary

