



**City of Newport
City Council Minutes
October 15, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Geraghty called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL -

Council Present – Tim Geraghty; Tom Ingemann; Bill Sumner; Tracy Rahm; Dan Lund

Council Absent –

Staff Present – Deb Hill, City Administrator; Steve Wiley, Fire Chief; Renee Eisenbeisz, Executive Analyst; Fritz Knaak, City Attorney;

Staff Absent – Bruce Hanson, Supt. of Public Works; Jon Herdegen, City Engineer;

4. ADOPT AGENDA

Councilman Sumner - Is the Attorney's Report going to be opened or closed?

Attorney Knaak - It's my intention to have it be opened. If it looks like we'll be dealing with other matters, we can decide it then but I think the whole purpose of the last meeting was to air all the issues and you have the document to approve or not. There's nothing on the document that can't be discussed. If it looks like we'll be discussing strategy, I would advise you that it not be discussed.

Councilman Sumner - We could begin open and close if necessary.

Attorney Knaak - Yes but I would suggest you discuss those issues at a separate meeting.

Motion by Rahm, seconded by Ingemann, to adopt the Agenda as presented. With 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, the motion carried.

5. ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Sumner, seconded by Lund, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which includes the following items:

- A. Minutes of the October 1, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
- B. List of Bills in the Amount of \$115,230.59
- C. **Resolution No. 2015-38** - Accepting Donations for the Period of September 30 - October 12, 2015

With 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, the motion carried.

6. VISITORS PRESENTATIONS/PETITIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

7. MAYOR'S REPORT –

A. Summary of the October 1, 2015 Closed Session

Mayor Geraghty - On October 1, we closed the meeting to discuss strategy in a case versus Quade. That's all we discussed, no decisions were made.

8. COUNCIL REPORTS –

Councilman Ingemann - First of all, I would like to compliment the fine men and women of the Washington County Sheriff's Department for the job that they do for the citizens of Washington County. They happen to be in the middle of an issue that they did not create. The Attorney mentioned that the City keeps fines and forfeits, does that include the fines from DWI, major crimes that the county charges, or just the ones that the city attorney charges? Or does that include all, approximately \$52,000.00?

Attorney Knaak - You get a percentage of the fines that are collected. There was a time when that was sent directly to you. In the process of reorganizing the State's finances, the State took over that function so the fines go to the State and then a certain percentage go back to you. There was a period there where the State was holding back payments such as fines. All fines that we're responsible for, including DWI's, are sent.

Councilman Ingemann - What about the fines that the County prosecutes?

Attorney Knaak - I'm not positive on the percentage but if there is participation by the Police Department then I believe yes. In the things that we prosecute, there's a percentage that the State administers.

Councilman Ingemann - At the October 1 council meeting Mr. Mayor, you stated that I approved the flyer that went out. Well that happens to be totally incorrect, as there is no e-mail that said I approved, but multiple that said I disagree.

Where did the City staff come up with the phantom numbers that they put in the newspapers as they were nowhere in the budget that the City Council was to see and approve?

In the newsletter, it was stated that the staff decided that the most cost efficient option was to go with the Sheriff's office, they did not check any other option out there at the time and allow the City Council make the decision, it was up to the City Administrator and Mayor alone, as they appear to be "the City staff". There needs to be an independent outside study completed that will check on the possibilities of merging with local departments, keeping what we have, or having the County take over. This needs to be completed before jumping into any agreement that you will regret later. The City can spend money on pay studies and pay to have consultants come in for various projects, yet appear unwilling to have a comprehensive study done on our Police Department to see if we need to change. What is wrong with this picture?

The amount stated on the flyer sent out to the public stated that the police budget for 2016 is \$920,290, but the last budget presented by staff that I saw shows \$869,290 with capital outlay included, where did the other \$51,000 come from? The City budget included a Police Chief and 5 Patrol Officers and one Investigator that does patrol at times. Then again, how can the County guarantee any one a job at any time? It just does not happen. Wishful thinking I believe. Last year, the Sheriff told us that the police would have to apply for the position, and nothing is guaranteed, and if hired, would not patrol in the same town as they came from. What has changed? Looking at the draft that the County sent over for the City to consider, there's a caveat that says "It is understood that this Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties, and that no statement, promises, or inducements made by any party hereto, or any officer, agent, or employee of any party hereto which is not contained in this written Agreement shall be valid and binding. This Agreement may not be modified except in writing, signed by all parties." In this particular agreement, there is nowhere stating that they will hire our police, they will have seniority, vacation, or anything else because it's not stated. If it's not stated, it doesn't happen. You can promise anything but you know how governments operate.

Council members asked to have the Sheriff attend a closed workshop to discuss some of these items, and he refused under the guise that he did not want to appear before a hostile crowd. The City Council?? He told the City Administrator that he promised the County Administrator that he would not do that. Hmmm elected official? I always thought we worked for the electorate.

Back to the notice sent out, the numbers that you show are incorrect, at least when I did the numbers. The last proposed City budget for the Police is \$869,290 including capital outlay, is not the number that the City stated as being \$920,290. Now we minus the proposed State Aid according to the budget presented to the City Council which was shown to be \$45,000.00, or do we use the amount that was in the flyer of \$53,000? That is money that goes to the agency providing the service, not the City, hence it will then go to the County as they will be providing the service, minus the training reimbursement of approximately according to the budget presented to Council, \$2,300, minus Safe and Sober Grants we received last year to the tune of approximately \$32,000.00 now that brings us down to \$789,990, or \$8,000 less than that if using the state aid number in the flyer, and that includes a Chief, 6 Officers and a Code Enforcement Officer. The County proposal shows \$686,303.32 and that includes just one Sergeant and 5 Officers, not the 7 we used to have. So far, they are not comparing apples to apples. What happened to the Code Enforcement Officer? Animal control?

Until I asked on the October 1st meeting of the City Council for an update on contacting other cities for options, staff either had not contacted Cottage Grove or St Paul Park for possible merger, or may have, and not informed the Council that they checked for contracted service or anything else. Since then, Cottage Grove has replied with a proposal of \$794,322.24, and that includes absorbing our current staff and they would start at the bottom, supplying an animal control officer, as well as a CSO/code enforcement officer. St Paul Park submitted a guess of \$700,000, but also mentioned that most cities do a study before disbanding its police department. Keep what we have or get less.

It is really hard to believe anything that the City staff is sending out lately, as they give one figure to the City Council and then a different number to the public. Who is one to believe? The City of Newport thinks they can justify disbanding our Police Department under the guise of this magical saving, which you will not see on your property tax statement.

Is our City staff now in the process of looking to build a new City Hall? I do believe that will cost millions to build, but I guess you can use whatever saving you get from the cop shop to pay for their new office.

At the present time, we need a Chief of Police and another Patrol Officer. Those amounts are already included in the present budget. Fix what we have and move on. If you really want to find out what the citizens want, put it on the ballot and have them decide or have a study done.

Remember, the data provided in the State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety Uniform Crime Report. Here's the data from the last four years, in 2012, Sheriff part 1 12%, Newport 14%, Part 2: Sheriff 57%, Newport 80%; in 2013, Sheriff part 1 14%, Newport 21%, Part 2: Sheriff 61%, Newport 86%; in 2014, Sheriff part 1 15%, Newport 27%, part 2: Sheriff 56%, Newport 87% These are only for 4 years, but the data for the last 20 years is about the same. Why would I want to give up the service that I have now for less protection as shown by the State of Minnesota Department of Public Services?

Remember, there are a minimum number of officers required to police Newport 24/7. The work that the Police Chief does has to be completed by someone. Our investigations have to be worked on by someone. Our Code enforcement needs to be done by someone. The County will not lose any money policing the City of Newport. Whatever it costs, the County will bill the City of Newport. Please believe me that the County has a caveat in their proposal that if the call numbers increase, the bill will be adjusted accordingly. Our call numbers are high, hence you will see an increase of the bill from the County. If we outsource to the County, we give up any control in the police budget, we either pay the higher cost or reduce the service. There are cities in the County that only pay for 40 hours of policing protection. The County will respond on major crime calls, but not on minor crimes,

vandalism, barking dogs etc.

If we outsource our Police, we pretty much close the door on ever having a local force again, as the startup cost would be very expensive. We would be painting ourselves into a corner.

The 2016 Budget is pretty much set for now. Get a Police Chief and then spend the next year doing a comprehensive independent study to find out the best option, merge with another department, keep what we have, or go to the County. This needs to be completed to make a solid decision. We can ask our local State Representative to see if we can get a grant to do this study. There is no urgency to make a decision at this time. Maybe once and for all this question will be put to bed after the study is completed.

Councilman Rahm - I attended a meeting on Tuesday, October 13th, to listen to input from residents concerning the proposed outsourcing of police protection services from Newport to Washington County.

As your elected public, servant I take my responsibilities very seriously to have an open mind to objectively evaluate any proposals that attempt to provide improvements in the quality or lowering the costs of service delivery that will positively benefit the safety, wellbeing, prosperity and happiness for our residents and businesses in Newport now and in the longer term.

I have heard from a variety of residents on both sides of this issue and I am sure we will hear comments from many more tonight, but for the record the overwhelming majority have expressed to me their dissatisfaction and opposition to this outsource proposal.

I have conducted my own due diligence investigation into this matter. An informational flyer was produced by City Administration and mailed to all the residents of Newport at taxpayers expense, and to my knowledge, without specific authorization by the Council. The Council as a whole did not vote on or authorized its content before it was published. In fact, I was sent a copy of the flyer before publishing and I objected to some its content as not being factual as it did not provide comparisons for all alternatives as discussed by Council in an open meeting workshop. I suggested additional information be included such as a cost per officer-hour as a more objective comparison of equivalent costs than the per capita comparison contained in the flyer. My comments and improvement suggestions for the flyer were ignored. I was also asked to participate in a Q&A session with County officials with other City Council members present in groups of two Council members only, so the meeting could be held under the threshold of public notification as required under the open meeting law. I refused to attend and said I would only attend if all Council members were present and the public was notified.

I am concerned that there has been an utter lack of transparency, misrepresentation and misinformation, bordering on deceptive practices, in this evaluation process that is fundamentally against my libertarian vales of open and accessible government of We the People.

I believe in our modern age that providing 24x7 police protection is a core city service and any proposed change is not to be taken lightly. I am not opposed to change, but I believe all alternatives have not been properly articulated, vetted, nor evaluated by an independent cost/benefit analysis study as the Council has previously done on much less controversial subjects such as pay equity or strategic planning.

I recommend such independent study be undertaken and completed before any vote is taken on this issue.

Councilman Sumner - Well I think it's well-known that I am looking strongly at the proposal from the Sheriff's Department. I have met and talked with officials in the Department. I took a trip out to the cities that have the Sheriff's Department provide for them. I went to businesses on a random basis and told them that I was looking for their open response on the services provided by the Sheriff's Department. I will tell you that I encountered someone at a bar who said they didn't like them because he drives his boat and gets ticketed for excess noise. I also talked to a lot of businesses and owners. They were all highly respectful and appreciative of the work that is being done by the Sheriff's Department. The most telling thing was they don't have a lot of interaction with them

because there's not a lot of crime. I also spoke with a number of residents and they said they had excellent service. That caught my ear. I worked for 13.5 years for the University of Minnesota in research, the collection, preservation, and analysis of data were extremely important. The last 16.5 years was at the Department of Revenue and I worked with confidential data. The analysis and report generation in the prevention and charging of crimes. I am not a bag boy at the local grocery store making decisions on your behalf. I have met with these officials and have done due diligence. I think that we would stand to benefit tremendously from the Sheriff. We know because it's in the public purview that there's reason to re-examine the management practices in the Newport Law Enforcement. That is all I can say at this time. We on the Council know more information on that and if different Council members have different opinions on how we should be managing, that's up to them. I have found ample reason that a direct merger with the Sheriff would benefit the people of Newport. We would get more police protection, better policing, and savings. You're certainly welcomed to your opinions but that's what my analysis has shown me. I also want to report that I am a member of the community advisory panel at the Refinery. I understand that their collaboration with our department has extended to the taking of a Fire Fighter from Newport to extensive training at Texas A & M in order to enable us to continue to expand our ability to provide mutual aid. I also want to report that the Refinery has gone above and beyond the Federal requirements for providing fire protection and control. They just put in a six million gallon tank to provide water in order to deal with any type of disaster that could occur there. They're a very good neighbor and going beyond what is required to be a good neighbor. I look forward to hearing your comments but want you to know that there are things that we on the Council know that are not part of the public purview.

Councilman Lund - I would like to thank all of you for coming and the residents outside. I often kid that I want more people to come to our meetings and really appreciate everyone's interest in this issue. In response to Tracy's comments, I don't think there's any type of scandal or attempt to skip the public process. The Council only meets twice per month so if you want us to get any work done we have to do work outside of the meeting. I strongly disagree with him there. My opinion at this point, I had a good conversation with Craig Woolery, the Chief in Cottage Grove, about a possibility of a merger. That would be completely different than the proposal from them for contracted services. He would only be comfortable recommending that to the Cottage Grove City Council if a study was done. I think that's worth investigating. I think the Sheriff's Department could do a very good job but efficiency is limited by their base in Stillwater and the fact that they don't have a geographic presence in our locality. That would be my opinion at this point. I want to hear from all of you and hope we can keep things civil and have a good discussion just like Tracy and I had on Tuesday at Newport Lutheran Church.

Councilman Sumner - I would like to make a couple other comments. In a recent newspaper article, someone that was representing the anti-sheriff side stated that the officers would not be kept in Newport. That's not true, they'll be kept here and dispatched from City Hall like they are now. They also said that the Newport Officers would be transferred to other jobs. They would only go to other jobs if that was their request. If they get to work for the County, they would face greater opportunity. They would be scheduled to come here first because they know Newport and the residents, the Sheriff's office said it wouldn't make sense to move them. Those references are false. There was a line that says in the worst case they would be feeding lunch to prisoners. That is so far from the truth that it's unfortunate that that type of information was put out there and people are given the option to believe it. Hopefully you don't. I asked about that and the prisoners are handled by a different group, there is a no way possible way that sworn peace officers would be given that responsibility. When I did my investigation for the State of Minnesota and worked for the State Police, if I was given information that was not true, I began to suspect everything that came out. We have things here in writing and was told things on the bridge. Because they aren't in writing, I won't quote them but these things in writing are so far from reality that I think you have been fed a line of misinformation and I'm soft in calling it that. This line at the bottom, "what's next, the Fire Fighters?" The thought that there would be any attempt to do away with the Fire Fighters is so absurd it begs the question of why anyone would believe anything that's been said regarding this anti-sheriff department move. If you're being fed one mistruth after another, how can you believe any of them. These are things that are in writing. If we need to do more studies, more cost analysis, ok, let's extend our contract to six months or a year. I believe from the analysis that I've done, it'll be a better deal for the Newport residents to go with the Sheriff's office.

Mayor Geraghty - I didn't want to get into the debate of making a decision tonight. It's about hearing input from

the people. Just a couple rules, when you come to the podium, state your name and address. Renee has a clipboard for you to write your name and address. I don't want any personal attacks. You should address the Council as a body, not any individual or staff. I'm not going to allow any personal attacks. If I hit the gavel, everyone stops talking. I'll give one warning to someone and if I have to do it again, I'll ask them to leave or they'll be escorted out. Knowing the people, I think we can be civil and have a discussion...

Councilman Rahm - Mr. Mayor, will that be our officers or Washington County's?

Mayor Geraghty - They have two arms so we'll take two. Hopefully we don't have to go there. I want to have the discussion. I totally disagree with Tracy, I wanted to be as transparent as I could. We put out the flyer, you can agree with the numbers or not. If I was trying to be deceptive, we wouldn't have advertised it or called for input. We would have just put it on the agenda and voted on it. I really do want to have the discussion and if we don't have it now when we're down a chief and officer, when would we? If we hired replacements, we wouldn't have it again. It is the time to talk about it. I don't know which way it'll go. We have to have the discussion and talk about it. There's a three minute rule, keep it focused and not personal. We'll decipher what we believe is the truth. Deb will start with a presentation and after that we'll start the public comment.

9. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT –

A. Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Services

Admin. Hill presented on this item as outlined in the attached PowerPoint presentation. The City received the attached letters regarding this matter in addition to the public comments listed below.

Councilman Rahm - For the contract costs and call load question, you say that it won't go up but if there's more calls won't there be more true costs? Do we get charged for backup now?

Mayor Geraghty - No, it would be if we increased the number of officers.

Admin. Hill - No.

Councilman Rahm - Wouldn't their detective use a car?

Councilman Sumner - We're not charged for it. I asked that specifically and how it works with overlapping shifts. They said that we're not charged for that.

Councilman Rahm - Would they look into that in the future?

Councilman Sumner - It's not anticipated but anything can change.

Councilman Ingemann - The Washington County agreement, the 180 day notice to cancel is after the first two years. You can't cancel the first two years.

Admin. Hill - Thank you for that correction.

Mark McKenzie, 999 7th Avenue - I do have an address for the City Administrator. The police officers will be stationed here, will they also be confined to Newport or will it extend?

Admin. Hill - They will only service Newport.

Mayor Geraghty - They would provide aid to surrounding communities.

Mr. McKenzie - If the Sherriff's Department puts officers in Newport, they will only service Newport?

Admin. Hill - Yes.

Mr. McKenzie - You weren't clear on that. Related to that, when these officers that we currently have decide to move on, the hiring will be taken out of the hands of the City so over time, the personal nature will no longer exist and that is a concern. Recently, across the street, there were people dealing drugs and the officers came to my house three times, the first time for a call and the second to follow up. They also went to talk with my neighbor who was concerned with the activity. They maintained a presence that eventually caused these people to move. I'm really concerned about losing our own police force and that personalized treatment.

Mayor Geraghty - The officers would be assigned here for two years and the practice has been that the Sherriff doesn't move this people around, they usually stay 4-5 years so you would get to know them long-term. You may lose one and get a new one in just like if we lost an officer.

Michael Tracy Wilson, 1671 10th Avenue - I have several points I would like to address. My son, when my fiancé went into labor, I called an ambulance and it took them 20 minutes to get there. Newport police were there in a minute and a half with a medic bag offering her all the comfort and support they could. Everyone of you were elected by these people to serve their interests. Getting rid of the Police Department doesn't do that. You were elected by the people. Just like you were voted in, you can be voted out. We will not relinquish our Police Department.

Chris Vick, 880 18th Street - To start off with, this seems to be a cost saving measure. I talked with the Mayor one day and we save \$190,000, he was talking about giving \$100,000 back. \$100,000 out of \$2.4 million is a little over 4%. My taxes are \$860, that's like \$35 per year, I'm not interested in losing the Police Department over that. If we want to outsource our Police Department because our city is so small, why don't we outsource our City Administrator and Public Works Director. St. Paul Park should be able to take care both of those. I talked with Sherriff Hutton twice, Mr. Sumner, your comments are wrong, I specifically asked him, they are now employees of Washington County, could they be transferred without them wanting to. He said yes. They are not guaranteed to be here, the Sherriff could move them if they think there's a better spot for them. They could request to be moved but they could also be moved without them wanting to. We've had Police here since 1890 with a gun, I don't see why it's time to stop now. We always thought that the people we elected should do what we want and most of us wish it should stay here.

Mark Radcliffe, 1530 Wild Ridge Trail - I have been a resident of Newport for 20 years and for 19 of those years, I've known that Newport's taxes have been extraordinarily high. When I used to come and talk with Larry Bodahl, the answer has always been that we have a public safety cost that is very high. I do support the cost-savings measures that the Mayor has proposed. I do believe that the Sherriff will provide more than adequate support and appreciate the efforts that you have been making to improve the expenditures of the City. expenditures of the City.

Dave Winkler, 1161 4th Avenue - This appears to be about cost-savings and I understand, I get it. I've been in business a long time and have never known an organization to save their way into success. It just doesn't happen. So we encourage our companies to increase their market share and revenues. What are we doing in Newport to do just that? Do we have any ideas of economic development besides another used car lot along Highway 61? We're often the laugh of the southeast metro; Newport is nothing but used car lots. How many businesses have come to the Council and asked for a Conditional Use Permit that have been denied? I don't know the answer to that. Newport has one gas station, higher than most, almost all the time. There's no reason for that except for that there's no competition. We've got one drug store, one liquor store, one of a lot of different things. What are we doing to bring businesses in? Are we trying to protect some other businesses? I don't know the answer to that. Who is in charge of economic development? I don't know the answer to that; perhaps someone can clue me in. What are we doing for other businesses to come in and become a tax base? What are we doing to put up houses? I don't know the answer to that. I don't know the answer to a lot of things. We elect you as representatives. You don't get a lot of people here on a regular basis; I haven't been here on a regular basis. We have a crowd here

tonight. All I can do is encourage you to listen to the citizens and as best you can, determine what the right thing to do is.

Paul Hansen, 1925 10th Avenue - I've lived in Newport for 14 years and have run for office several times. My taken on going with the Sherriff's Department is a win-win situation. There's cost savings, better coverage, we're keeping our existing police officers, I don't know what more there is to say.

Shannon Barrett, 500 5th Avenue - I actually just moved to Newport from St. Paul. I was coming here looking for the small town community. Looking at this, I'm kind of shocked. I just wanted to clarify something that Councilman Sumner said. In his speech, he was referring to the anti-Sherriff group online. I think it's the "Save the Newport Police Department" page. I don't think it's anti-Sherriff, I think it's what the citizens feel. It's coming as a cost-savings but you can't put a cost-savings on our safety, if we want to spend more to have our Police Department, that's our right and we should be able to do it. I just wanted to clarify that the page is "Save the Newport Police Department."

Fred Leimbek, 603 7th Avenue - You want to talk about saving money, about a year or two ago, the City took about five houses off of Cedar Lane. We lost all that tax revenue. They said they were in the flood plain, houses have been there 50-60 years and all of a sudden there's a problem. Now I hear they want to make a park down there. Newport has three parks already, that's in the flood plain, it'll flood. We'll be the only place in the State that has four parks and no Police Department. People come around and tell you how to vote and you don't like that and I don't either. What the Council tells me will tell me how to vote.

Carol Robertshaw, 1158 5th Avenue - I've lived here for six and a half years and moved here from White Bear Township. They went through something exactly like this while I was living there. My husband and I moved there in 1985 and we had a child and were divorced in 1991. I don't remember exactly when the transfer occurred but I do remember that before, I hardly ever heard a siren. It was something my ex and I would say to each other. When Ramsey County came in, we were hearing sirens almost as much as in St. Paul. I thought "oh my gosh." I felt extremely safe before that and didn't feel as safe with them. Furthermore, I began to think that either they're expressing their bravado or they simply didn't know the community well enough, like our Police Department, to know what kind of crime is occurring. They also weren't close enough to the people to know them personally. I fear that it will happen here. I really had a sense of how much more remote, as a single mother, I was. I really do feel that this is a wrong-headed move. As a citizen of Newport, I did not elect you to outsource my Police Department.

Kevin Haley, 3025 Bailey Road - I've been here for more than 10 years. I think our Council is doing an excellent job. I appreciate the job and realize it's hard. I also went out into the community and surveyed citizens, business owners, similar to Bill and found the same thing. People that are being serviced by Washington County appreciate them. It was a love-fest. There wasn't a negative comment, it was neutral. The communities they serve love them, they take good care of them. A business said that they came into the business and the officers would come and talk with the customers and business owners to make sure everything is ok. I have no issues with the Sherriff servicing us. They are in the communities that I went into and I talked with 20-30 people and they all said the County is serving them wonderfully. I was hoping to see a broader perspective. They all loved Washington County servicing them. I hear you and understand that a lot of you have opinions, but did any of you go out to the communities that they are servicing and ask them and hear from them different than what I heard. I appreciate our Council working hard to save us money.

Tony Mahmood, 822 High Street - I'm not here to talk about the money, which department is better or worse. I'm here to say that we have a lot of people here and they all came to an agreement that we want our Police Department. It's not a matter of which one is better and which one's worse, it's a matter of what the citizens want. When I look at our Department, it's pride, we have a Police Department that's ours. They are the Newport Police, they have pride in this city. Not to say that the Sherriff won't be good but once our Department is gone, they're gone. So in three years when the contract is up and we don't like what they're doing, there's not a lot we can about it, they get to decide what happens and how we're patrolled and taken care of, we don't. I just want to say, please

take some time and think about it. We're not hurting for money, we can take some time and do this the right way. Let's talk about it a little longer and not rush. I also have a petition of 311 signatures of people that want to save the Police Department (see attached).

Craig Rice, 512 2nd Avenue - What is this body considering? It's considering closing a union shop, one of its bargaining units. One that is unique in that its members have no right to strike, coupled with a convoluted and arduous grievance process. The County states that they won't lose their jobs, they'll become deputies. In the profession of law enforcement, my feelings are that that idea is at best overly simplistic and dangerous and recklessly naïve. The time an officer spends in college just to hit the streets as a rookie affords him plenty of time to think about what area they want to go into. My feelings are based on the experiences of my best friend, a retired South St. Paul police officer. I've known him since 1972. I watched him be a cop from beginning to end. I feel if the officers in question wanted to go the county way, they would have but I feel ours wanted a more hands-on, small town department with all the baggage. A department where they know their customers and manage to serve justice with knowledgeable, no nonsense advice at the community level, where it belongs. Now on to another aspect of their beat. The 800 lb gorilla; I live in old town, 3,000 feet from an industrial facility that could level this town with one oops. I know this because I've worked at Northern Tier and Flint Hill Refineries. Sometimes we have a bad day, ask Veid or Don. I feel it is a good value to have a police department that is aware of that unique hazard and has the ability to react immediately and appropriately when the need arises. Intangibles like quality of life cannot be reduced to mathematical equations but I feel this body has already done some quick math and decided that question. Thank you for thinking for me. In conclusion, as to the bodies' emphatic emphasis on numbers a phrase comes to mind "me thinks you profess your innocence a little too loudly. Enough said.

Adrian Gilmore, 1535 4th Avenue – I have lived here all my life and feel our Police Department is just fine the way it is. I feel safe.

Corb Hopkins, 1790 1st Avenue – Well this issue came in and suddenly it was, well the story of the hen and barring yard, where a rock fell on its head and chicken little started running around saying "the sky is falling." Unfortunately, there has been a lot of that type of information. It takes me back to my 3M days and reminded me of work experiences where someone had weak data and tried to bully their proposal into a quick group decision and it was later regretted. I think we've all made those types of decisions when we've been pressured. I think our Council has three choices, maybe four. The Washington County's proposal is good, same people, same house, same cars, in the town they know, the people they know. I don't think it could get any better, the only thing that is changing is outside management. The other advantage is that if we need outside resources, we got them. What's in this for you as a resident? You've seen the numbers on your taxes, the City will save \$177,000 per year. The group has worked to bring the taxes down. It's controlling costs. When you do that, you do it a little at a time and do it day after day. What do we do from here? Cottage Grove proposal looks ok. It has some advantages, they're right next door and we're like one big community. It reminds me of Jacksonville. I was driving and there was one big sign in the middle of nowhere saying "Welcome to Jacksonville." You drove and drove and drove. Finally, you got to the city. Jacksonville is the whole county.

Susan Albrecht, 1520 Wild Ridge Trail – I think I've written to each of you to express my dissatisfaction with the idea of outsourcing. I served as a business executive for 35 years so I understand what pushes you all to do what you're doing, look at alternatives. The one thing however, is that when I looked at those decisions, I always had to consider the people involved and what they wanted at the end of the day. At the end of the day, I've heard the majority of the people say that we need and want our Police Department. I feel that way because I feel safe and comfortable in this community. I don't know how I'll feel with the Sherriff Department. I believe they're capable but it has to do with me feeling comfortable in Newport. We pay a lot of taxes, we have one of those houses on Wild Ridge and I complain about it bitterly every time the bill comes. We have no kids, street lights, or city water but I'm willing to stay because I feel safe and comfortable. Please consider what your citizens are saying and our perception of safety. It may not be reality but it's a lot to us.

Henry Taylor, 1392 4th Street – I've been here for 14 years and for the last 14 years, you've been trying to get rid of our Police Department. Tracy, do me a favor and see how much each of these guys get and how much they got last year for taxes and wages and how many hours they put in. How many hours do you put in, 8, 10, 20 hours per week? These guys put in 40 hours per week and their lives are on the line. I haven't heard any of you say that you were threatened. You just want to get rid of them. What happens when you save that money? Whose pockets will it go into? Tracy will you please do that for me?

Councilman Rahm – I don't understand your question.

Mr. Taylor – How much do you make per year?

Councilman Lund – We make \$3,800 per year and the Mayor makes a little more.

Mr. Taylor – Put it on paper.

Councilman Lund – It is.

Councilman Rahm – It's public knowledge.

Mr. Taylor – How many hours do you put in?

Councilman Rahm – I put in as much as I can to do the job.

Ron Leseman, 1652 Cedar Lane – I've been in this city for 49 years. This is the first time this kind of thing as come about where someone is trying to eliminate our Police Department and I think it's wrong. I have nothing against the Sherriff Department but the fact of the matter is that we need our Police and that personal touch. Basically, I hope you make the right decision. I am for keeping them and hiring a new Chief.

Roger Mews, 1610 10th Avenue – I think this is the worst proposal I've heard come out of this Council. If you want to make a better decision on this, let the citizens vote on it.

Mike Chamberlain, 1275 Kolff Court – I've been out here since noon. I'd like to say first of all that I'm definitely for keeping our local PD. The savings that you've proposed is peanuts; it's not worth the safety. These officers know my kids by name. My family feels safe, that's why we're here. \$100 per year is peanuts. I'd like to read something that you should be very familiar with. "The City of Newport is committed to serving the people and businesses of Newport by creating an environment which encourages pride in the community, promotes prosperity for businesses and improves the quality of life for all." Sound familiar? I do commend you for putting forth such controversial issues that it's brought together a great number of citizens. It should be eye opening that these continued gatherings have residents are in opposition of the Council's suggestion. If this administration is truly looking to improve the quality of life, it should permanently shelf the idea of dissolving our law enforcement. I highly encourage you to rethink this and make sure you make the right decision. We need our Newport PD here, Newport lives matter.

Mike Watson, 2204 Hastings Avenue – I've lived here my whole life. These police officers, I'm totally for keeping them in the city. I've seen them mold many lives and children. I have five kids now and more than half the force knows the kids faces. These people are on the streets protecting us day in and day out. We need to rebuild the force and a new Chief, not outsource. We look at ways to save money and this isn't it. How much money went into the parking lot where five cars park?

Councilman Lund – None.

Mr. Watson – How about the forest next to my work, is that city money?

Councilman Ingemann – No, it's a warehouse.

Mr. Watson – There are just so many ways that we can save money. I think you said six years without a sergeant, have taxes gone down? Not once? Where is this extra \$105,000 that we need for the sergeant if our taxes haven't gone down?

Mayor Geraghty – You'll be taxed for it.

Mr. Watson – Moral of the story, if you want to make this fair, let the citizens vote on it. Keep the Police.

Amber Jarosh, 730 7th Avenue – I'm new to Newport, just moved in June. As you can see, I am not a cop but have been entrenched in the law enforcement culture. I was a reserve for the Pequot Lakes for many years. While there, we were contracted to work for the Township of Jenkins. I've seen what in reality happens with contracts. Pieces of paper don't govern actions. The officers are going to stay at their home base, and Washington County's base is Stillwater. They're going to go where the action is even if they're supposed to stay here. If the action isn't here, we're left without law enforcement. I know you don't agree with that but I've seen it. I believe in community-oriented policing. Though the County will try, they won't accomplish the investment in a community like a local police department can. If we have our own, they have to stay here even during the mundane parts. The County cops have to go where the action is, that's their job. They have a whole county to protect. You always get better community policing with a city cop. If you want true community policing and 24/7 coverage, you have to have your own Department. I've seen what a contract does, you will not get 24/7 coverage, no matter what is put on paper. There will be bigger problems elsewhere and they need to respond to those.

Sharon Erickson, 1055 Bailey Road - My husband and I have lived here for almost 40 years. We've learned to feel very secure at our place. We're in our own little secure area and feel that Newport has always made us feel that way. We haven't had a lot of dealings with the Police until this year. We had someone that stole our mail and they started watching our checks. All of a sudden we had checks cashed all over the Country and the Police stepped up and helped us solve our problem immediately. They helped us immediately. We had a check that I had written to a flower company for \$69 and they changed it to \$700. Anyway, they helped us get that straightened out. We wouldn't know what to do with them. We'd probably move to Sunfish Lake or somewhere where they do have a police department. We have to have them. We're here with the Police Department but without them would put our house up for sale probably.

Josh Grochow, 1890 10th Avenue - I've lived here my whole life and remember the Police Department giving out the football cards and being part of the community. I currently work for the Department of Transportation and took courses at Hennepin Tech to learn more about public works. Part of that, we learned about various cities through the State that have opted to privatize service under the guise of saving money. It always works out the same, you sell all the equipment and get rid of the people, it works great the first couple years and then the price goes up and you can't afford it or to get back into business. I did some quick math when Deb was giving her presentation. The first three years, it would save us \$177,000 per year and then go down to \$150,000. That works out to be \$51 per person, for that, I want the Newport Police. I'll pay that for my wife and kids. The Police are worth \$51 per person. Keep them.

Cody Affolter, 1911 3rd Avenue - First thing I want to say is that we the people want to keep the Police Department. This is a democratic process, it's not just me, it's not just you, it's we the people. The reason being, I'm a firm believer because right now, Newport is in a transitional phase. The demographic of Newport is fairly old and they're moving on or out and younger families are moving in. You want to see a city grow, you want families in here, you want to fill this community with new ideas to bring businesses in. You want these families with younger children and younger people like myself who are working 45-50 hours per week, I want to feel safe at work and know that my family is safe at home. You won't get that with the Sherriff's Department. You might feel safe but is it really going to save the City money? Are they going to be part of the community? I like my kids growing up seeing the Police Department, waving to them, seeing them in parades, shaking their hands, getting to know them. To build a community, you need young families to move into your community.

Bob Bay, 1695 4th Avenue - We've been here since 1977 and have known most of our officers since that time and we are definitely in favor of keeping them. The little bit of savings doesn't merit farming them out. They've done a good job, I had a real problem in my neighborhood and they were there. They do a lot of other good things. When I was on the Fire Department, the first people on the scene were the Police Department and Fire Department. The Police were always there before me. They did a terrific job and if I have to pay a little more, that's ok. Just remember, we the people run this community and please listen to what we're saying. We don't want our Police Department gone. Thank you.

Scott Fisher, 812 17th Street - I've lived in this community 51 years and grew up with the Police Department, I was a reserve, I was a part-time officer. We need the Police Department to be here. We don't need to farm out to Washington County. We don't even need to look at Cottage Grove. We need our own. We need our Police Department. Remember, you were all elected by the community and the community, by the support we have tonight inside and outside, is telling you that we want to keep our Police Department in-house.

Lorraine Pike, 549 12th Street - I've lived here since the early 50's. I walk six days a week and looked at all the signs that have appeared in Newport. On one side, I counted 8. That doesn't count the blue ribbons. If someone took the time to look at all of those. I really think we should keep our Police Department. Also, we have a good Police Department. I heard all the comments mentioned on Tuesday. A lot of good ideas, I don't have anything to add from that except it would be nice to see a show of hands to see who is in favor of the Police Department. I see more yeses than nos. Let's hope we keep our Police Department. Thank you.

Dan Flood, 1660 3rd Avenue - Mayor, Council members, I appreciate that you have taken the time to call a public hearing and allow the citizens to speak on this safety matter. I am here before you tonight to beg you to keep our Police Department. The numbers that we have heard so far have changed from every individual. I'm not saying that they are false, what I'm trying to say is that I don't believe we've come to an agreement on them. What the City has published in their mailer, what the Mayor has said, what Dan Lund has said, and what we've seen, they've all differed a bit. Let's please take the time to sit and really look at the numbers. I believe the citizens of Newport, from our Tuesday night meeting, the ones I've talked to, everyone that I've talked to, and granted the other side hasn't come up to me, are all willing to spend the money to keep our Police Department. If we're worried about money, we need to look at other things like getting rid of some of our police cars, our equipment, or combining services. We also need to spend money in our economic development fund to attract businesses. It will cost money to bring that money back to Newport. I believe the crowd here tonight is strongly in favor of keeping our identity with our Newport Police and at a minimum, please put off this vote and take the time to do a study and find out the truth of how this will affect our City. Thank you.

Tom Aguilar-Downing, 1550 Wild Ridge Ct N - I would just like to say that I would support keeping Newport Police. As I'm listening to people, I hear that the cost-savings isn't worth it. We want our own. I hope you listen to that. The Mayor always says that he's willing to let everyone talk. You've heard a lot of talking tonight, I hope you heard them and that your mind isn't already made up. I think there are options out there and they need to be explored. Thank you.

Mary Ann Newman, 1620 Wild Ridge Ct S - I just want to say that I agree with everyone that wants to save the police. We've had incidents such as fires and medical issues. They were always the first people there and we really appreciate that. I don't know any of them by name but can recognize them because they all have short hair. I just want you to consider all of the options and really think about it.

Emily White, 870 17th Street - About a month ago, I had a medical emergency at my house at 20 minutes to 1 in the morning. I called 911 and they patched me through to Washington County. I told them to come to the back door, the officer came in about four minutes and came to the front door but came through the back. There were two officers and I couldn't open my eyes. Not only did they come fast, but I said "Is that Scotty?" As most of us know who Scotty is, they said no. When you recognize a police officer's voice, to me that's important. My husband was a Ramsey County Deputy for many years and I also know several people that work for Washington

County. By them saying it will be the same police officers, I don't believe that. Maybe initially but they assign every year or two years. I know personally someone that is dying to get into this area to work and he's got it written out that that's what he's going to do. I don't believe it will be our officers forever. Thank you.

Mike Koewler, 1625 Wild Ridge Ct S - I want to say that I think Washington County would do a great job but Newport can do a better job. The issue isn't whether or not they'll do well, the answer is yes. I think time would be better spent talking to the people here and seeing what we want. I think what you're hearing is that for \$50 per person, we want our own police force.

Gary Imholte, 635 5th Street - I've talked with the Police Officers, they came to my house four months ago. If an officer is a good officer, they're a good officer. They're all sworn to do a duty, I don't care if they're the sheriff or not. If a good man is on the job, a good man is on the job. I'm a union man also and they're contracting out. I see other guys have left, that's cutting cost. I've never seen an offer so generous as keeping seniority and that's what I was concerned about. Someone took the time to negotiate their protection. My concern was for them but this is very good. The other thing, I'll say is that I wish the Federal Government would get off the sentiment or whatever they got. One of these days, we're not going to get this aid. You have one opportunity has I see it, to remove the Chief, not replace him and contract it. It's a substantial savings and you're acting in my interest. I wish they would take the logic of the Federal Government and incorporate it like this rather than so many favors for everyone else. It's a tough thing, I know I'm a minority. I read your contract and this, and if it is what you say it is and they honor that, it's part of life, I see it every day in my business. I don't think you need a Chief of Police here and that's where the savings is. I don't know what his job is but we're such a small community. I have sentiment for the Department, they're good guys. I hope they honor the pledge and they can stay here.

Anita Perkins, 1695 Glen Road - I'm not only a resident, I'm a teacher here at Newport Elementary and it is so neat to see the Officers come into our school and talk with the children and the children are all "look it's the policeman." This is something we need in our community. The children love them, they know them. Please, think about it, for the kids. We need our local police.

Glenn Shaver, 833 High Street - I've lived in this community for 53 years. My dad was a reserve policeman. You guys are making a huge mistake by getting rid of the police force. I think you need to have a vote from the whole community on what you're going forward with because this is a big mistake. I've only had one item stolen from me, a trailer, and I got it back and the insurance company was surprised because I had the police help me. I've never had anything stolen from my house. You guys got to think this out. You have one to one contact, you won't have that anymore. You need to think about this.

Karen, 891 High St - I fill my bosses cars with gas and it's only a penny or two higher than Cottage Grove.

John Schmidt, 480 2nd Avenue - I'm here to support the Police Department. You keep saying that you want to balance the budget but you keep buying properties and turning them into parks and now you're trying to develop properties. That's not where our money should be spent, it should be spent to keep our Police Department. Thank you.

Bruce Timm, 1206 Hastings Avenue - I own MasterTech Auto. I think the cops are doing a great job in this town. Every time I've had to call them, they are there in five minutes. I've never had any issues with that. I think they really care about the community, which you're not going to get with Washington County. They're part of the community just like the residents here. I just wrote a pretty big check today for taxes and I'd like to keep the police here. Thank you.

Marvin Taylor, 1247 2nd Avenue - I came here tonight to listen. I think there are two good options. I've been swayed a little tonight but I'm not voting. My biggest concern is that this is an irreversible decision. Without a really strong conviction, I think we need to delay that decision until we're more confident and more cohesion comes to it.

Luke VanHorn, 756 6th Avenue - I just wanted to start off by saying that I do appreciate everyone's efforts on both sides here. I think everyone is looking at the best interest but I don't think this is the way to get it done. Every morning I wake up and look outside and see the officer's at the school and appreciate that. Also, I had a fire at my house a couple months ago and Officer Crist came up and addressed me by name and I just wanted to let you know that I really appreciate that community policing and that involvement and how much that meant to me. Also, to the Fire Department. I think there are better ways to do things. As far as the cost-savings and put a price on it, I don't care. I'm willing to go as high as I need to to keep them.

Pamela Boughton, 1006 Catherine Drive - One of the things I'd like to say before you get rid of the Police Department is to think about the safety that is provided. I work here and have had to call the Police for having a box cutter pulled on one my employees and being pistol-whipped. As a single mom, they have been the ones to respond to my domestic abuse calls. They have protected me on restraining orders. Before you get rid of them, think about the safety they are providing for young families.

Clarence Branum, 1680 Woodbury Road - I've been here for 36 years. My question and concern is the cost per capita. Why are we the second highest of 31 cities? Shouldn't we be talking with these other cities and find out how they keep the price down? If you do outsource the Police Department, and this is something that's been around. We discussed this 25 years ago with Chief Sawyer, he had a plan to merge with St. Paul Park. We would have gotten rid of one chief and one supervisor and would have saved a lot of money. Apparently, that's not feasible now. If you do outsource, why are you planning on 6-7 employees, there's 168 hours per week, that's 4.2 officers. If you're going to outsource, do it right. If you're going to keep it, do it right. As far as investigators, I don't know what the legal requirement is but I've never seen anything investigated in this city. I've been robbed, my house has been robbed, held up at gun point, guns were stolen. We even held our own investigation and told them who did it and it went nowhere. I'm not really happy with the service. They do patrol, they go by my house at the same time every night. I guess I've been out of touch for 20 years now. I volunteered with the Planning Commission for 10 years. I tried to stay involved. I don't know why this hasn't been dealt with before. How did the price per capita get so out of hand. I read an article by Tracy that was trying to explain it by economics of scale, that doesn't hold water.

Councilman Rahm - That is not my article. The thing is it takes so much to do 24/7 police protection.

Mr. Branum - I apologize, I read the article and thought your name was affiliated with it. Whoever wrote the article, the argument doesn't hold water. Look at the size of the cities, if that were true, the smallest cities would have the highest cost per capita. Cities that have \$27 cost per capita, so many of them have \$57, how do they get there?

Mayor Geraghty - It's based on the level of service. Some of them only have one shift covered. We're asking for 24/7 cost.

Mr. Branum - 24/7 is 168 hours, that's 4.2 hours. They should be billing you for 168 hours.

Mayor Geraghty - I want to thank everyone for coming and being civil. I appreciate the input. We're not going to make any decisions tonight and I'm not sure if we'll bring it back the first meeting in November. We'll see where it goes.

10. ATTORNEY'S REPORT -

A. Stipulation of Settlement Between David Quade and the City of Newport

Attorney Knaak presented on this item as outlined in the October 15, 2015 City Council packet. Attorney Knaak spoke with Supt. Hanson and he had concerns with paragraph 4 related to the easements for the water main. Supt. Hanson requested to use general language for easements. The conversation with Mr. Quade has only been in regards to the water main loop. Attorney Knaak recommends that the City Council approve the stipulation as presented.

Councilman Lund - Did Bruce specifically mention sanitary and storm sewers?

Attorney Knaak - Yes, he was talking about that possibility and how sanitary would run down the south side of the city isn't clear. Bruce wanted it to be more general.

Councilman Lund - I thought we were talking about all three.

Mayor Geraghty - Me too.

Admin. Hill - I thought Bruce was saying that storm wasn't likely but sanitary was. Last time I talked, he was thinking we could get a variance to put them closer.

Mayor Geraghty - Our discussions were getting something wide enough for both of them. The intent was the utility easement.

Councilman Lund - I don't want to sign off on it unless Bruce says it's good.

Councilman Ingemann - We're talking about 30 feet right?

Attorney Knaak - No, 15, that provided for access.

Councilman Lund - Unless I hear from Bruce about sanitary, I don't want to sign off on it. I thought that was a part of the discussion.

Attorney Knaak - Mr. Nesvig is here, if we were to simply say "utility easements" would that work?

Mr. Nesvig - I don't have authority to change the language on what is presented. I do have trouble from figuring out from what is said, the depth is down 20 feet and I'm not sure how you would have sewer at that point. Trial is Monday, hopefully you'll accept your attorney's recommendation. We've modified the language to accommodate as best we can.

Councilman Lund - If we want to develop across the highway, we need to put in sewer and water. All the sewer, flows to St. Paul Park. We have to get it for that land and I don't know of any other route.

Attorney Knaak - If you need sewer, you're not precluded from getting sewer down that easement line. It grants you the water main, which has been the topic of discussion. Again, my recommendation is in the interest of getting something of value, is to accept this language.

Mayor Geraghty - In the event we need sewer, how would we get it?

Attorney Knaak - If you needed it and could run it down the same line, the amount you'd pay would be insignificant. You're talking about something that is hypothetical. The primary discussion was water.

Councilman Rahm - I thought it was water to put out fires.

Councilman Lund - I thought it was both.

Mayor Geraghty - I know when we talked with MnDot about getting something under the railroad, we talked about an encasement that would allow for water and sewer.

Attorney Knaak - I thought water and sewer, if you wanted it later, would be unlikely to get. This is your only opportunity to get any access under that railroad and you want as much easement as you can get. Keep in mind,

there hasn't been any engineering projected on this. The only thing that's certain is that you want to loop the water main.

Councilman Lund - I'll accept it with the amendment that we change all instances to water main to "underground water main and sanitary sewer line." I don't see how that would make a difference.

Mayor Geraghty - The other question, if it's litigated and we lose, can we still condemn?

Attorney Knaak - Yes.

Mayor Geraghty - Would we lose any leverage trying to get funds from the Department of Transportation?

Attorney Knaak - I would suggest, they don't even like some of this language. I expect the leverage you have is that they don't want you accessing it and want some type of agreement with St. Paul Park that would provide access to the south. They want that access closed off. Where your leverage comes is that if you want that closed, here's what we need. They offered their assistance.

Councilman Lund - If we accept it with our modifications, it doesn't have to come back to us?

Mayor Geraghty - Will you bring it to your client?

Attorney Knaak - He'll have to. My recommendation is this language.

Councilman Lund - I don't know why they wouldn't take that change, it's the same deal on their side.

Mr. Nesvig - I think what your attorney is telling you is that once you have the easement, in the event it comes necessary to have sewer, it's a lot easier task than having no easement and starting from scratch. You may never need it. There are other routes for the sewer. We need to have finality, this needs to be filed tomorrow.

Councilman Lund - I know it's not what the lawyers want but why not add what we want now. I'll make a motion to accept it and modifying all mentions of underground water main to include water main and sanitary sewer line.

Attorney Knaak - I would say "underground utility easement."

Motion by Lund, seconded by Sumner, to approve the Stipulation of Settlement with an amendment to include "underground utilities" instead of "underground water main." With 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, the motion carried.

11. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT - Nothing to report.

12. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT -

Chief Wiley - I would like to thank the Cloverleaf Bar and Grill for our meat raffle last month. Normally, we raise money for equipment. The meat raffle was on September 11th so all the money was donated to an organization called Go Heroes and they support the families of fallen firefighters. Northern Tier was kind enough to extend an invitation for one firefighter to go to Texas A & M, we'll be sending Firefighter Bailey. We really appreciate that.

Councilman Sumner - Are the families local?

Chief Wiley - It's national.

Councilman Sumner - How did the open house go?

Chief Wiley - It was extremely well attended.

Councilman Sumner - For the record, I have no intention of abolishing the Fire Department.

13. ENGINEER'S REPORT - Nothing to report.

14. SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT - Nothing to report.

15. NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Ingemann - This was brought up to me by the Chief of St. Paul Park's Fire Department who lives on Cedar Lane. He sent an email asking why he wasn't included in the FEMA Grant. He's in the flood plain and pays flood insurance, so he should be a part of it. Can we address this? He feels he was singled out.

Mayor Geraghty - We need more details from Bruce. He's on the east side of Cedar Lane.

Councilman Rahm - He claims that if we took the levee down, he would be affected.

Admin. Hill - If I remember right, his front stoop is right at the level, and that's why it was never included. The Council decided the homes, I don't know why he wasn't included.

Councilman Ingemann - If you pay flood insurance, you should be included.

Mayor Geraghty - There are a lot of homes then. I think one of the reasons was that it wasn't adjacent.

Councilman Ingemann - I just want someone to look at it.

Councilman Rahm - Are we planning on having a vote on this at the next meeting?

Councilman Lund - I would like to investigate a merger but that will take time. Now's the time to take our time and look at it. A merger is different than what Cottage Grove is offering now.

Councilman Ingemann - I think we need a workshop. This thing needs to be studied.

Councilman Rahm - What's our plan? I don't know how things get on the agenda and I've asked that multiple times.

Mayor Geraghty - You can put whatever you want on the agenda.

Councilman Lund - Can we schedule a workshop before the next meeting? We could do it October 29th.

Mayor Geraghty - I'm open.

Councilman Lund - We won't be soliciting public comment but it will be open.

Mayor Geraghty - What's the earliest?

Councilman Lund - 5:30

Councilman Rahm - 5:30. How are you getting home?

Councilman Lund - I drive because the last bus to get back here is 6:15

Mayor Geraghty - It'll just be an open discussion on various options.

Councilman Lund - Craig Woolery sent me an example of study, I'll pass that on to staff who can send it out.

Admin. Hill - Woolery and a couple officers met with us a couple days ago and that was mentioned. A study could take 3 - 4 months.

Councilman Sumner - What would they look at it?

Mayor Geraghty - A broad variety of options, contract, merge, tri-city.

Admin. Hill - Why did the last deal fail?

Mayor Geraghty - Someone in the Park didn't want it.

Councilman Rahm - Wasn't that to merge both cities?

Mayor Geraghty - No.

Councilman Rahm - I heard there was a proposed merger between the cities at one time.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ingemann, seconded by Geraghty, to adjourn the regular Council Meeting at 8:25 P.M. With 5Ayes, 0 Nays, the motion carried.

Signed: _____
Tim Geraghty, Mayor

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Eisenbeisz
Executive Analyst

City of Newport



Consideration for contracted police service

October 15, 2015

History of Process

The Newport Police Department had been down an officer due to an officer resigning in August 2015.

On August 20, 2015, the Chief of Police of Newport resigned.

Within days, a City of Newport officer took a job with another municipality.

Present Situation

The City of Newport has 5 officers, including one officer finishing training October 15.

The Chief of Police's last day was September 30, 2015.

To remain a legal department and avoid excess strain on the current officers, the City contracted with Washington County to provide a chief law enforcement officer (CLEO), investigation services, and patrol and support staff through December 31, 2015.

A request for cost estimates went out to Washington County, Cottage Grove, and Saint Paul Park.

Goals Prior to Asking for Cost Estimates

- Continue with the same 24/7 policing service.
- For all current Newport officers to retain their full-time positions.
- For all current Newport officers to retain seniority and stay in Newport.
- Provide citizens of Newport with a decrease in City property taxes.
- If possible, to provide increased service.

If the Police Remained part of the City's Functions

- For six years, the City has not had a sergeant.
- All cities providing their own policing service in Washington County have a sergeant.
- Most likely, a new Chief of Police will request to hire a sergeant.
- To reinstate the former sergeant position that was eliminated 6 years ago will require a \$95,000-\$105,000 increase to the city budget which could require an increase in city property taxes.
- Sergeants at Cottage Grove and Washington County make more than our past Police Chief.

2016 Newport Police Budget

2016 General Police Budget	\$869,290
2016 Equipment Budget	\$51,000
<u>2016 Police Vehicle Insurance</u>	<u>\$4,476</u>
Total Costs	\$924,766

Subtract

State-Aid	\$55,829
PERA Increase Aid	\$3,267
<u>State Training Aid</u>	<u>\$2,304</u>
Total Aid	\$61,400

TOTAL COST Minus Aid \$863,366

(This budget does not include cost for a sergeant)

Washington County's Proposal

- Washington County will provide guaranteed full-time employment for all Newport officers without needing to apply to the County.
- Officers will retain vacation and sick time, degree of seniority will be negotiated.
- Officers remain in Newport unless they request a new assignment.
- Washington County provides policing service to 21 of 31 cities and towns within the county.
- Will save Newport citizens more in City tax dollars with the same 24/7 service.
- Washington County analyzed Newport's call volume and will provide power shifts (2 officers) during high call volume.

Wash. County's Proposal Cont.

- Washington County will provide night and weekend supervision, which the City does not have now.
- There will need to be some negotiation for newer Newport officer's pay.
- The officers will become employees of the County thus receive County benefits.
- The contract is subject to increase based on labor contracts and other costs associated to service delivery. (i.e. fuel)
- The proposed contract reflects a credit for vehicles & equipment over a 3-year period and will not be reflected after the first 3 years.
- Contract includes: employee costs related to police services, investigations, 24/7 supervision, code enforcement, IT support.

Cottage Grove's Proposal

- Cottage Grove will provide guaranteed full-time employment for all Newport officers without needing to apply.
- Officers will have limited seniority.
- Will save Newport citizens tax dollars with the same 24/7 service.
- Cottage Grove will provide night and weekend supervision, which the city does not have now.
- The officers will become employees of the Cottage Grove thus receive Cottage Grove benefits.
- The contract is subject to increase based on labor contracts and other costs associated to service delivery. (i.e. fuel)

Cottage Grove's Proposal Cont.

- The proposed contract reflects a credit for vehicles and equipment over a 3-year period and will not be reflected after the first 3 years.
- Contract includes: employee costs related to police services, investigations, 24/7 supervision, code enforcement, IT support.

Potential Savings on County Assessed 2016 Home Values

Including the county assumption that county assessed home values will increase 4.7% for 2016.

County Ass. 2016 Value	Wash. Co. Saving Off Increased 2016 Value (\$150,000 decrease)	Cot. Grove Savings Off Increased 2016 Value (\$42,000 decrease)
\$100,000 (2015 value \$94,300)	\$34.47/year	\$9.65/year
\$150,000 (2015 value \$141,400)	\$60.63/year	\$16.98/year
\$250,000 (2015 value \$235,600)	\$112.94/year	\$31.62/year
\$400,000 (2015 value \$377,000)	\$191.43/year	\$53.60/year

Comparison of Proposals

	Newport	Wash. Co.	Cot. Grove
Cost (minus state aid)	\$863,366	\$686,303.32 (reflects \$26,667 savings first 3 years for current vehicles)	\$794,322.24 (reflects \$27,000 savings first 3 years for current vehicles)
Employment	The city would need to hire a Chief and potentially a sergeant.	All 5 current officers would become Wash. Co. employees.	All 5 current officers would become Cottage Grove employees
24/7 Policing in Newport	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tax savings	N/A	6.2% (\$150,000)	1.7% (\$42,000)
Night supervision	No	Yes	Yes
On-site supervision	Yes	Yes	No
Officer location	Newport City Hall	Newport City Hall	Newport City Hall
Savings years 1-3	None	\$177,063 per year	\$69,044 per year
Savings year 4 & after	None	\$150,396 per year	\$42,044 per year
# of Officers	7 maybe 8, 1 chief, 1 invest., 5 officers & potentially a sergeant.	6, 1 sergeant & 5 officers. Includes investigation.	6, 1 sergeant & 5 officers. Includes investigation.

Commonly Asked Questions

- 1) Will the City of Newport have an officer in Newport 24 hours/7 days a week? **Yes, the officers will be housed at Newport City Hall and patrol Newport 24/7.**
- 2) Will the current Newport officers have full-time jobs without a probation? **Yes, except for our new officer that is currently in a probationary period.**
- 3) Will calling in for an officer remain the same? **Yes, citizens can continue to call City Hall, 9-1-1, or non-emergency dispatch.**
- 4) Will the same officers be patrolling Newport? **Yes, unless the officer requests another department/area.**
- 5) Will crime go up? **No, we will have the same officers policing 24/7.**
- 6) Would the City continue to receive fines & forfeiture revenue from the county? **Yes.**

Commonly Asked Questions

- 7) Will the contract charges go up with cost increases?
Yes, as Newport Police Department's budget has gone up on average 3.59 % over the last 4 audited years.
- 8) Will the contract costs go up with an increased call load?
No, the contracts are based on true costs as they are associated to the level of service requested by the City.
- 9) Will the contracted service respond to all calls for service? Yes, the contracts are for all services.
- 10) Will the vehicles remain the same? No, the logo would say Washington County Sheriff with Proudly Serving Newport or City of Cottage Grove/Newport.
- 11) Does the city still receive state aid? Yes, the city will still receive state aid in the form of a credit in the service contract.

Other Considerations

- The city would need to give 180-days notice to cancel Washington County's contract and 2-years notice to cancel Cottage Grove's contract.
- City of Newport's average budget increases for the Police Department for the last 4 audited years is 3.59%.
- Washington County's average budget increases for police services without changes in services over the last 4 years is 2.54 %.
- Cottage Grove's average budget increases for the Police Department are 3.5% to 3.75% over the last 3-5 years.
- Common practice for the City of Newport to contract services with other agencies: Building Inspection and Review, Water Main Break Repairs, City Planning, etc.

Governmental Funds Expenditures per Capita

State-Wide

City of Newport

Year	2013	2013	2013	2012	2013	2014
Population	2,000-2,500	2,500-10,000	10,000-20,000	3,460	3,479	3,479
General govt	175	129	100	252	194	180
Public safety	257	244	235	279	280	292
Street & light	132	123	121	145	115	114
Parks & rec.	102	83	99	78	111	97
All Other	105	66	73		37	114
	<u>\$771</u>	<u>\$645</u>	<u>\$628</u>	<u>\$754</u>	<u>\$738</u>	<u>\$796</u>

All numbers above per 2014 Newport Audited Financial Statements

Oct. 13-2015

City of Newport
City Council

We would like a change in the policy of service with the police department.

Washington City. would be a better professional service, not out to make friends with people. they are here to service us.

The power in the town is getting to be a little sickening.

To many calls answer that are unnecessary, money wasted.

Brenda and Barry Parrist
335 10th St.
Newport Wv 25905
612-458-4064

Renee Eisenbeisz

From: tingemann@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 10:47 PM
To: Renee Eisenbeisz
Subject: Fwd: Police Department

Please make this part of the public record at tomorrows meeting

From: "Nancy and Sue" <tctory@comcast.net>
To: "tingemann" <tingemann@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 4:12:29 PM
Subject: Police Department

Dear Councilman Ingemann,

We are writing to express our opposition to the outsourcing of the Newport police department to the Washington County Sheriff's department.

We have not heard any benefits discussed that indicate an increase to the safety and security of the town. In light of that, the potential risks and perceived decrease in safety outweigh the \$100 per household savings.

Please keep our police force and local community presence in tact. We choose to live here in spite of paying high taxes because they provide the services that we expect. Not having basic services is not a trade off we are willing to make. We urge you to vote no to outsourcing the police department.

Thank you,
Nancy Desmond and Susan Albrecht
1520 Wild Ridge Trail
Newport, MN 55055
651-459-7270
tctory@comcast.net

Renee Eisenbeisz

From: SAND BAGGER [sandbagger8251@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2015 8:37 AM
To: Renee Eisenbeisz
Subject: Newport Police Department Realignment with Washington County

October 15, 2015

To: Newport City Council

Re:

October 15, 2015

To: Newport City Council

Re: Newport Police Department Realignment

The very idea that this subject is up for debate is indicative that emotions versus clear heads has set forth opposing reaction to a financially responsible initiative. Newport City Council must vote **YES** to outsourcing the police department staff and operations to the Washington County Sheriff. No Newport Police Department staff has been reported to be in jeopardy of their jobs, the city of Newport will continue to have not only the same level of police enforcement but in addition will have access to the sophistication and depth of the Washington County Sheriff and best of all, Newport saves \$200,000.

This initiative is obviously misunderstood by those that oppose it and this happens sometimes with public policy yet calm, rational and financially responsible decisions must prevail as it is in the best interests of the taxpayers and all residents of the City of Newport.

Sincerely,

A Newport Tax Payer and Resident

October 15, 2015

Mayor Tim Geraghty and Newport City Council Members

Change, change, change. There is so much change today it seems like change is the only constant. Part of our human nature is to be comfortable with what we know, and resist change, but without change there is no progress. Without change humans never would have progressed from walking, to boating, to riding a horse, to the horse and buggy, to the automobile, to the airplane, and to the rocket. Change is difficult, but very important to progress.

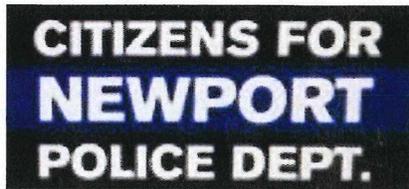
With the retirement of our Chief of Police we are faced with an opportunity for change and progress. We know that we can save a significant amount of money for the City of Newport and its taxpayers with the change options on the table. With assurance that we can have consistent quality of service, we should embrace one of the change options.

I urge you to take a look at the opportunities for change and come up with an option that provides more economical police service without sacrificing quality. As I said change is difficult, but change is good.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gordon Bailey". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and address.

Gordon Bailey
1033 Century Avenue
Newport, Minnesota 55055



To: Newport City Council

From: Citizens of Newport

Newport's Mayor announced at the last city council meeting that he wants to contract all of the police service for the city through Washington County.

This petition is to keep our local officers local.

Newport, like all cities, has had its fair share of emergencies.

Our officers are first responders for medical emergencies, fire and of course crime suppression.

Our officers know our streets, our names and how to interact with people day in and day out.

They support our city in its best and worst times.

Now it's time for Newport citizens to speak up and save the department.

This petition will be delivered to the city council on Thursday Oct 15th, 2015.

Citizens for Newport Police

Name	Address	Phone
1 Kosal Pen	2000 2nd Ave Newport MN 55055	651 666 5989
2 James Rubin	1953 3rd Ave Newport MN	651 808 0334
3 Jamie Ihrke	1834 3rd Ave Newport MN	651 210-2919
4 Chris Young	1856 3rd Ave Newport	651-955-2036
5 Terence Rhond	1790 2nd Ave Newport MN	651-459 7601
6 Auis Wiltermuth	1826 2nd Ave Newport MN	651-459-2304
7 Joe Braun	1889 2nd Ave Newport MN	651-485-1327
8 Lana Solom	1991 1st Ave Newport MN	651-340-6894
9 Leticia Oliver	1761 1st Ave Newport MN	651 458 0718
10 Jason Kell	1622 3rd Ave Newport MN	612-868-8451
11 Alicia Townsend	1102 2nd Ave " "	651-354-8597
12 Ken Zaron	490 5th Ave Newport	651-395-0645
13 Kaden Kamp	50 Saint Paul	612-220-1528
14 MITZI LEIMBEK	603 7th Ave Newport	651-459-7803
15 FRED LEIMBEK	603 7th Ave Newport	651-459-7803
16 Mary Ann Newman & Ed	1620 Wild Ridge Ct S	459-6661
17 Kathy Aguilar-Dominguez	1550 Wild Ridge Ct N	459-7181
18 Amber Sarosh	730 7th Ave Newport	612-808-9127
19 Mike Wilson	2704 Hastings Ave Newport	651-776-6978
20 Cody Affolter	1911 3rd Ave Newport	651-434-8329
21 Sabrina Pike	549-12th St, Newport	651-459-2165
22 Dan Pike	154 16th St Newport	651-459-8104
23 Kristen Linn	1105 Mark Ct Apt 2B Newport	651-343-1678
24 Nancy Schmidt	480 2nd Avenue Newport	651-208-3198
25 DENNIS MITCHELL	925 ELLEN CT NEWPORT	651-459-8121
26 TAMARA MITCHELL	925 ELLEN CT NEWPORT	651-459-8121
27 Amanda Grochow	1890 10th Ave Newport	651-208-3570
28 Dawn Hernandez	1532 3rd Ave Newport	651-283-7719
29 Rick Hernandez	1532 3rd Ave Newport	651-724-2328
30 Cindy Hamill	1566 11th Ave Newport	651-459-1110
T. L. Carlson	1121 2nd Ave Newport	651 274 7124

Citizens for Newport Police

Name	Address	Phone
1 Maione Buesberry	1585 10th Ave	651-468-9557
2 Barbara Schmitzer	1573 10th Ave	651-768-7001
3 Tom Smith	1573 10TH AVE	651-768-7001
4 Sr. M. Wright	1499 10th Ave	651-270-2125
5 Amanda Moody	1499 10th Ave	651-786-9272
6 Christine Auer	1483 10th Avenue	612-669-3285
7 Mike Wilson	1445 10th AVE	651-271-9188
8 Kathy Dymal	1431 10th Ave	651-280-7577
9 Amanda Swenson	1315 10th Ave	651-755-7700
10 M. Stegem	1315 10th Ave	612-685-6053
11 D. J. J.	1250 10th Ave	651-267-5227
12 David D. Richards	986 12th St.	651-768-7218
13 Elizabeth (Liz) Richards	986-12th St	651-768-7218
14 David Lorentz	806 High St	651-442-3174
15 Diane Marland	793 21st St	651-459-4115
16 MARIE MAILLARD	"	"
17 TOM BARTL	901-17th St	651-459-6919
18 Sherril DeRusha	1645 2nd Ave	651-458-1989
19 Kim Flood	1660 3rd Ave	651-485-7842
20 Neil Wyckgram	1660 3rd Ave	651-493-2834
21 Jean C. Peltier	1430 11th Ave	651-458-1156
22 CRAIG AND PAULA RICE	512 2ND AVE	612-559-6483
23 TOM AGUIAR. DOWNING	1556 WILD RIDGE CT N	651-459-7181
24 ROBERT ERICKSON	1017 4th AVE	651-329-3410
25 Jenny Amacher	806 High St	763-400-0706
26 JoAnne Bromer	881- 9th Ave. Newport	651-489-1817
27 John Rae	1673 Cedar Lane Newport	651-458-3151
28 Torrance Hunter	1673 Cedar Lane Newport	651-458-3131
29 Beverly LaClair	1551 Cedar Lane Newport	651-458-0327
30 Carl LaClair	1551 CEDAR LANE Newport	651-458-0327

	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1	Sheree Young	1740 3rd Ave.	612-578-8115
2	Teresa F. Kn	165 15th St	952-381-4712
3	RIC WELLS	1665 10th Ave	651-458-4196
4	CASSIE WELLS	1665 10th Ave	651-458-4196
5	PAAT Ostrykowski	168 E 3rd Ave	651-370-7623
6	Jim Flanders	191 16th St	651-459-2836
7	Laura Flanders	191 16th St	651-459-2836
8	Amanda Armon	191 16th St	651-459-2836
9	E VANG	915 TERRACE RD	651-303-3537
10	Janice Kohr	11230 Wild Ridge Ct. S.	651-458-3791
11	Angelia Zarich	490 5th Ave.	651-293-3048
12	Bruce Timm	MasterTech Auto	651-459-5040
13	Kelly Juebes	1814 3rd Ave	651-983-7465
14	SUE PETERSON	694-6th AVE	651-459-9774
15	Armin Kilber	1030 Glen Rd	651-308-2226
16	Blanca Matias	661 5th St	651-895-5791
17	James Peetboom	665 4th Ave	651-329-6289
18	Phil Franke	627 6th Ave	651-278-6454
19	Kathy Ernst	665 4th Ave	651-329-8239
20	Sanne Lopez	661 5th St	651-895-5850
21	Dustin Lindsey	7601 E. Point. Cottage Cove	651-210-5483
22	Jordan Monjeau	1430 Summit	651-235-6100

Citizens for Newport Police

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1 Daniel Wojcik	1560 10 th Ave	651-503-2929
2 Alicia Arnott	1540 10 th Ave	612-203-3812
3 Stephanie Mattock	1490 Tenth Ave	651-459-6678
4 Angela Stawek	850 17 th St	651-459-7945
5 Kayla Stawek	850 17 th St.	651-459-7945
6 Donya Mahmood	822 High St	601 206 2952
7 Amy Gunn	1020 BAILEY	(651)-270-6844
8 Robert Crawford	1007 Bailey	651-459-1046
9 Everett Acker	615 4th St	651-470-3361
10 TIM HUGLEY	748 21 st ST	459 2938
11 Lee Bildenback	1624 10 th Ave. #12	458-6880
12 Emily White	870 17th St	459-3066
13 Gina Dueffert	1579 2nd Ave	458-4411
14 MARK DUEFFERT	1579 2 nd A.	458-4411
15 Katy McElwee-Stevens	1590 11th Ave	459-5411
16 Rick Stevens	" " "	" "
17 Judy Bibegu	945 Ellen Ct	(651) 274-7164
18 Brittany Hernandez	1532 3 rd Ave	651-247-0900
19 Ricky Hernandez	1532 3 rd Ave.	651-247-0871
20 Robin Ramberg	1045 Bailey Rd	651-459-8246
21 R D. Reese	1440 12th Ave	651-245-8245
22 Olly John	1275 2nd Ave	612-747-9001
23 PECK HERNANDEZ	1532 3 RD AVE	651-253-7719
24 STEVE MONETTIE	475 2nd Ave	612-859-3653
25 Anette Keller	1444 2nd Ave	612 727 9688
26 Dan Keller	"	651-775-4014
27 Matthias Gudina	1525 Bluestem Lane	651-890-7389
28 KEVIN SWEINSON	516 6th St	651 4929480
29 TARA COCKRIEL	516 6th St	651 428 5613
30 TIM FINLEY	1188 4th Ave	952913-1477

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| 1 KEVIN CHAPPELAIN | 601 2nd Ave | 651-458-3422 |
| 2 Wendy AppleYance | 601 2nd Ave | 651-458-3422 |
| 3 Julie Olson | 1360 12th Ave | 651-492-5027 |
| 4 BEV MORELAND | 8679 GREYSTONE | 651-769-2167 |
| 5 Shelly Blechinger | 345 12th st | 651-735-6000 |
| 6 Ric Blechinger | 345 12th st | 651-890-6333 |
| 7 Deanna Franke | 627 6th AVE | 651-307-1437 |
| 8 Tadesse WUGUSE | 1535 Blue Stem Lane
Newport | 651,666-5028 |
| 9 Tekea Teame | | |
| 10 Dhaval Bhakta | 1700 HASTINGS AVE | 651-459-9896 |
| 11 OSCAR PEREZ | 615 8th st. | 651-276-5624 |
| 12 Sheila Langhton | 350 9th st | 651-338-6201 |
| 13 Anita Perkins | 1695 Glen Road | 651-459-9901 |
| 14 Gloria Acker | 615 4th st | 612-849-4389 |
| 15 Paula Zanich | 4905th Ave | 651-285-2007 |
| 16 Rick Diaz | 498 3rd ave | 651 315 0938 |
| 17 Erik HANSEN | 455 6th st. | 612 406 9540 |
| 18, Robert Clifford | 1679 3rd Ave. | 651-493-9621 |
| 19. Bonnie Saul | 301-10th st. | 651-459-5259 |

Citizens for Newport Police

Name	Address	Phone
1 Joshua Schorw	1650 10 th Ave #1 Newport	651-788-0809
2 Glenda Schultz	2079 Barry Dr. Newport	612 385 0344
3 Beverly Lee	809 21st Newport	651-459-6340
4 Billy Vang	915 Terrace Rd	651-716-5028
5 Nathan Stremick	1003 Terrace Rd Newport	612-240-6536
6 Ronn Ok	1702 10 th Ave Newport	651-322-0228
7 Josh Grochow	1890 10th Ave Newport	651 428 0102
8 Lynn Murray	1130 Mark Ct.	651 459-6253
9 Sharon Murray	1130 Mark Ct.	651 459-6253
10 Syreeds Harrison	1140 Mark Ct.	651 768 0067
11 Florence Bennett	1895-10 th Ave	651 459 3751
12 Bc Whit	1853 10 th Ave	651-459-7101
13 Jenney Habbeno	1835 10 th Ave	651 769 0631
14 Scott Stamms	1950 8th Avenue	651 983-2507
15 SPOTT HOWARD	2070 8th Ave	651-260-0184
16 Larry M. Costigan	2190 8th Ave	651-459-3439
17 Michelle Parrish	780 21st Ave	651-201-1758
18 Tonya Heller	786 21st Ave	612-401-8553
19 Karen Jelinek	786 21st Ave.	612-401-8550
20 Dan Herrick	780 21st St	651-307-2688
21 Kathleen B. Herrick	780 21st St	651-633-9203
22 Rob Perkins	760 21st	651-459-2889
23 Scott Fisher	812 17th St.	651-233-8425
24 Matthew J. Kemp	228 9th Ave So.	(612) 220-1726
25 Douglas E. Shelsted	1583 11th Ave Newport - 97175-5505	612 810-9129
26 TOM LEEK	311 7th Ave	651-399-8938
27 Cheryl Lang	515 Century	651-528-7562
28 Tom Stewart	" "	" " "
29 DORRINE HERN	227 3rd Ave	651-458-1749
30 Jose Rangel	1651 10th Ave	651 757-5859

Citizens for Newport Police

Name	Address	Phone
1 Bobbie Fisher	1701 8th Ave	651-459-4962
2 Kathy Fisher	812 17th St	651-458-3597
3 Tom & Mo [unclear]	910 17th St	651-459-4718
4 Sue Braithwaite	910 - 17th St.	651-702-5414
5 Debra & Wilson	784 18th St	651-458-8891
6 Michelle Salazar	875 18th St	651-253-3553
7 Kandy Hopkins	1830 Barry Drive	612-600-4045
8 Jeni Hop King	1830 Barry Drive	651-336-0007
9 Gurney Fisher	812 17th St	1051-458-3597
10 Stephanie Berg	1970 Barry Dr.	651-459-2046
11 Patti Narusiewicz	1990 Barry Drive	651-459-4503
12 James H.	2080 Barry Drive	651-785-7148
13 Neal Korman	930 Ellen Ct	612-481-6588
14 [unclear]	950 Ellen Court	651-493-0980
15 [unclear]	970 Ellen Court	1018-237-8518
16 [unclear]	1815 10th Ave	651-769-0828
17 [unclear]	1020 18th St	
18 Jan Baranowski	1970 8th Ave	651-324-2346
19 [unclear]	1990 6th Ave	651-263-0097
20 Chris Vulp	2080 8th Ave	
21 [unclear]	790 Ford Rd	1051-458-3044
22 Tom Richard	790 Ford Rd	651-458-3044
23 Tom Malkowski	802 HIGH ST	651-226-2928
24 Jack Fisher	851-276-3451 812 12th St.	651-276-3451
25 Amy Graybeck	1275 Koller Ct	612-961-5995
26 Michael Chmielecki	1275 Koller Ct	651-308-1019
27 [unclear]	1430 - 11th Ave	651-458-1156
28 [unclear]	525 Century Ave	651-459-6634
29 Robert Bay	1695 4th Ave	651-459-6620
30 Steve Schestler	97 16th St.	651-960-5130

Citizens for Newport Police

Name	Address	Phone
1 Lynn Ann Doyak	1990 2nd AVE Newport	651-458-9058
2 Jerry Gagne	1975 3rd Ave Newport	651-459-5796
3 Laura Rand	1999 3rd Ave Newport	918-951-8320
4 Rich Ann	1955 3rd Ave Newport	612-508-1407
5 Jay Buctow	1777 3rd Ave Newport	651-458-5610
6 Bruce Buctow	1777 3rd Ave Newport	651-458-5610
7 Julia Walsh	1777 3rd Ave Newport	651-272-7782
8 Ann Smith	1723 2nd Ave Newport	612-414-6475
9 Robert White Jr.	1745 2nd Ave Newport	651-263-7103
10 Samantha White	1745 2nd Ave Newport	651-274-2569
11 John W. Jacoby	1789 2ND AVE, NEWPORT	651-458-5967
12 Jon C. Jacobson	1799 10th Ave Newport	651-459-9271
13 Capt. Sandy Mochan	1809 2nd Ave Newport	651-459-5646
14 Luke Wilson	2055 1st Ave Newport	651-235-8804
15 Linda Littley (Brian)	1872 1st Ave Newport	651-459-4561
16 James Jackson	1743 1st Ave Newport	612-607-9079
17 John	1711 2nd Ave Newport	651-207-7118
18 Haylie Mernery	1711 2nd Ave Newport	651-829-0870
19 Roxana Wright	1711 SWA Ave Newport	
20 Robert Wright	1711 2nd Ave Newport	651-302-2991
21 John	1660 3rd Ave Newport	651-475-5280
22 John	1628 3rd Ave Newport	651-459-6022
23 Dale Gaspar	1616 3rd Ave Newport	651-246-2997
24 Benhy Euzich	1594 2nd Ave Newport	218-591-6355
25 Rich Euzich	1594 2nd Ave Newport	218-355-1599
26 John	1640 2nd Ave Newport	651-459-2907
27 Heather Seery	1668 2nd Ave Newport	651-235-7164
28 Jacob Schultz	1668 2nd Ave Newport	651-408-0804
29 Kristy Seery	1668 2nd Ave Newport	651-325-3114
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