

Cat licensing proves controversial

Ordinance brings scowls

by Tony Kneidek
staff reporter

OREGON CITY—Clackamas County animal owners Tuesday clawed a proposed animal control ordinance and shredded the 25-page plan that would mandate licensing of cats.

"Ideally, it would be nice to have this ordinance," said Sgt. Bill Rotrock, head of animal control for Clackamas County. "It would be nice to enforce it — to be able to afford to enforce it. Unfortunately, we don't have ideal situations."

Rotrock, who took over the county's reorganized Animal Control Division Jan. 1, said the agency answered 500 complaints in the first 30 days of 1978.

Seventy-five percent were concerning dogs, with the remainder reserved almost exclusively for livestock. "We very rarely get complaints concerning cats," he said.

"Our biggest problem is better dog control. 'To put into effect an ordinance on cats is not too sound an idea.'"

Gene Burgess, head of the Oregon Humane Society, said it would cost about \$60,000 in the first year if the cat licensing plan were put into effect.

"Basically, this ordinance is an ocean of grabage and a nightmare for the animal control office," Burgess said.

"The Oregon Humane Society and the Clackamas Humane Society have strong reservations about the licensing of cats," he said, adding that the groups have no reports where a cat licensing program has been successful.

Burgess also objected to a proposed "scoop law" in the ordinance, which requires animal owners to remove excrement left by their pets. "The Supreme Court has ruled that you must produce evidence in court. In the case of a scoop law this could present problems," he said.

Jean Belfanti, one of six members of the citizen committee that drafted the proposal, disagreed with

estimates of how much money it would take to implement the cat licensing program.

Under questioning from the audience, she estimated it would take \$2,000 to \$3,000 for the program. While conceding that the cat licensing plan would be the most controversial in the proposal, Belfanti said the ordinance still can be changed.

"We felt we don't have to be right because we'll be corrected," she said.

Clackamas County's current animal control ordinance applies only to licensing of dogs. Other than that, state law is relied on to enforce dog and livestock regulations.

Merle F. Campbell said the entire concept of an animal control ordinance should be forgotten. "I'm a little bit dubious and a little bit skeptical about the county commissioners and their citizen committees and citizen involvement," he said.

"We certainly have the right to keep animals. This taxing people continually is a tiring situation. It's a sickening matter. I want to enjoy my life and enjoy my animals. I say to forget the whole thing."

Rob Goodwin, another member of the drafting committee, said it would be unfair to exclude cats from the ordinance. "If we're dealing with dogs, we have to deal with cats. We can't look at one and not the other."

"It's our intention that the county recognize that there is a cat problem. The purpose of this meeting is to make this a cohesive document that will serve the county well. The purpose is not to get the cat owner mad."

Many persons in the crowd of about 125 said that requiring stricter licensing requirements would not get at the heart of the issue — the irresponsible pet owners who allow their animals to run loose.

Critics also leveled charges at provisions for exotic animals, fees for



MERLE CAMPBELL—"I say forget the whole thing."

kennel owners and problems with enforcing the ordinance.

Barbara Welton of the Oregon Educational Exotic Feline Club, said exotic animal owners often are more responsible than domestic pet owners.

She objected to a provision in the proposal that would require special permits and acceptance of \$100,000 liability for owners of wild, exotic or dangerous animals.

Ron Thompson said the document is a good one, but that the timing for it is bad. "This is not a bad idea," he said of the ordinance, "but it's a long way down the

road.

"Right now we have a dog problem. Let's deal with that before we move on. This is not feasible right now."

County Chairman Ralph Groener said there may be another hearing on the proposal. He said county counsel will have to go over the document and that the board will have to talk with sheriff's personnel to determine how many of the provisions could be implemented.

The chairman said he did not anticipate the cat licensing provision would become law.

Licensing clinic set

Area dog owners will have a chance to purchase licenses for their animals on Feb. 7 and 14 at Sandy City Hall.

A representative from the Clackamas County Dog Control office will sell the licenses between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

To purchase a dog license it is necessary to have a rabies certificate valid through Oct. 31. Cost is \$5 for spayed or neutered animals and \$10 for a fertile animal.

For further information, phone 655-8628.

Home burgled

A citizens band radio, three fishing poles, a sabre saw and an electric drill were stolen from the Lusted Road home of Buford White

on Feb. 26, according to Clackamas County Sheriff's Department reports. Value of the items was set at \$300, reports said.

Sandy Union High School 1978-79 Budget

FORM LB-1

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The budget for Sandy Union High School District No. UH 2 for the fiscal year 1978-1979

beginning July 1, 1978, as detailed and summarized below, was prepared by the ☐ Cash, ☐ Accrual, ☒ Modified Accrual

accounting basis, and ☒ is ☐ is not consistent with the accounting basis used during the last two years. Major changes,

if any, and their effects on this budget are set forth in an accompanying statement. A copy of the budget document

may be inspected or obtained between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

at the Business Office of the district. A meeting of the Board of Directors

(Governing Body) will be held Thursday, Feb. 23, 1978 at 7:30 a.m.

at the High School Resource Library for the purpose of holding a public hearing on this budget. Any

person may appear to discuss the budget, or any part of it.

Wayne R. Johnson

(Chairman of Governing Body)

January 24, 1978

(Date)

Clackamas

(County)

Sandy

(City)

SUMMARY OF TAX LEVY AND OTHER BUDGET RESOURCES - FISCAL YEAR 1978 - 1979

Item	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Levy Within 6% Limitation	\$ 221,254.00	\$ 234,529.00	\$ 248,600.64
Levy Outside 6% Limitation	1,240,321.00	1,113,557.00	1,419,252.36
Levy Outside 6% Limitation (Serial Levy)			
Not Subject to Limitation	245,966.00	248,930.00	302,470.00
TOTAL PROPOSED LEVY (To be certified to Assessor)	1,707,541.00	1,597,016.00	1,970,323.00
Total Budget Resources from LB-2	387,600.00	489,600.99	762,656.00
Total Resources Except Tax to be Levied from LB-3	1,256,867.00	1,197,470.00	1,205,950.00
LESS: Estimated Tax Not to be Received	< 155,230.00	< 145,183.00	< 179,118.00
TOTAL BUDGET ALL FUNDS	3,196,778.00	3,138,903.00	3,759,811.00

SUMMARY OF INDEBTEDNESS

Type of Debt	Debt Outstanding		Debt Authorized, Not Incurred	
	This Year as of July 1, 19 <u>77</u>	Next Year as of July 1, 19 <u>78</u>	This Year as of July 1, 19 <u>77</u>	Next Year as of July 1, 19 <u>78</u>
Bonds	2,185,000.00	2,076,000.00	-0-	-0-
Interest Bearing Warrants	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Short Term Notes	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS	2,185,000.00	2,076,000.00	-0-	-0-

FUNDS NOT REQUIRING AN AD VALOREM TAX TO BE LEVIED

	Tuition Students FUND		
	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Total Instruction	\$ 152,000.00	\$ 227,619.00	\$ 414,152.00
Total Supporting Services			
Total Community Services			
Total all Other Requirements		102,381.00	80,848.00
Total Budget Requirements	152,000.00	330,000.00	495,000.00
Total Budget Resources	152,000.00	330,000.00	495,000.00

	Title IV FUND		
	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Total Instruction		-0-	\$ 3,603.00
Total Supporting Services			
Total Community Services			
Total all Other Requirements			
Total Budget Requirements		-0-	3,603.00
Total Budget Resources		-0-	3,603.00

	Title I FUND		
	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Total Instruction		-0-	\$ 57,000.00
Total Supporting Services			
Total Community Services			
Total all Other Requirements			
Total Budget Requirements		-0-	57,000.00
Total Budget Resources		-0-	57,000.00

	District Food Services FUND		
	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Total Instruction	\$ 60,600.00	\$ 84,600.00	\$ 125,053.00
Total Supporting Services			
Total Community Services			
Total all Other Requirements			
Total Budget Requirements	60,600.00	84,600.00	125,053.00
Total Budget Resources	60,600.00	84,600.00	125,053.00

	Capital Projects FUND		
	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Total Instruction		\$ 75,000.00	\$ 82,000.00
Total Supporting Services	175,000.00		
Total Community Services			
Total all Other Requirements			
Total Budget Requirements	175,000.00	75,000.00	82,000.00
Total Budget Resources	175,000.00	75,000.00	82,000.00

FUNDS REQUIRING THE LEVY OF AN AD VALOREM TAX TO BALANCE THE BUDGET

	GENERAL FUND		
	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Total Instruction	1,155,416.00	1,205,237.00	1,414,978.00
Total Supporting Services	999,749.00	1,044,939.00	1,267,369.00
Total Community Services	3,037.00	4,227.00	4,335.00
Total All Other Requirements	14,888.00	158,050.00	15,500.00
Total Requirements (Including Transfers)	2,173,090.00	2,412,503.00	2,702,182.00
Total Resources Except Tax to be Levied	1,253,051.00	1,186,970.00	1,185,950.00
Ad Valorem Taxes Received	1,145,303.00		
Ad Valorem Tax Required to Balance		1,225,533.00	1,516,232.00
Estimated Tax Not to be Received		122,553.00	151,621.00
Total Ad Valorem Tax to be Levied		1,348,086.00	1,667,853.00
Levy Within 6 Percent Limitation		234,529.00	248,600.64
Levy Outside 6 Percent Limitation		1,113,557.00	1,419,252.36
Levy Outside 6 Percent Limitation (Serial Levy)			
Not Subject to Limitation			

	DEBT SERVICE FUND		
	Last Year	This Year	Next Year
Total Instruction			
Total Supporting Services			
Total Community Services			
Total All Other Requirements	238,380.00	236,800.00	294,973.00
Total Requirements (Including Transfers)	238,380.00	236,800.00	294,973.00
Total Resources Except Tax to be Levied	3,816.00	10,500.00	20,000.00
Ad Valorem Taxes Received	234,564.00		
Ad Valorem Tax Required to Balance		226,300.00	274,973.00
Estimated Tax Not to be Received		22,630.00	27,497.00
Total Ad Valorem Tax to be Levied		248,930.00	302,470.00
Levy Within 6 Percent Limitation			
Levy Outside 6 Percent Limitation			
Levy Outside 6 Percent Limitation (Serial Levy)			
Not Subject to Limitation		248,930.00	302,470.00

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Demos meet

Clackamas County Democrats will meet Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 4 and 5, for the 1978 Clackamas County Democratic Convention at the International Dunes Edgewater Inn.

The inn is located directly across from the Oregon City Shopping Center on McLoughlin Boulevard in Oregon City. The convention is open to all registered Democrats in Clackamas County and will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday and 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

There is a fee for registration and luncheon. Rep. Ed Linquist will deliver the keynote address at 10 a.m. on Saturday. Following the address will be election of permanent chair and adoption of rules.

A 12:30 luncheon address on electric energy will be given by former state Rep. Beulah Hand. A no-host cocktail hour with Democratic officeholders and candidates will be from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Sunday agenda will cover adoption of platform.

The convention is sponsored by the Democratic Party Central Committee of Clackamas County.

Convention registrants will serve on the following committees on Saturday afternoon: federal, state and local government; election law and party structure; foreign policy; education; health and welfare; human and legal rights; revenue and taxation; consumer affairs—labor, business and agriculture; energy and transportation; housing, environment, land use and natural resources.

Skis swiped

A pair of skis valued at \$240 were stolen from Chris Beil, Portland, according to Clackamas County sheriff's reports.

Beil left the skis in the snow outside the lobby door at Mt. Hood Meadows ski resort, reports show.

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