

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
Thursday, Sept. 8, 1983 7:30 p.m.
Newberg Public Library

PRESENT

Board members

Leonard Attrell
Stu Harris
Dorothy Rogers
Judy Elliott
Terry Mahr

Staff

Mike Warren, City Manager
Doreen Turpen, Librarian

Others

E. R. Aho, Library Friends President
Lee McConnell

A special meeting of the Library Board was called to order at 7:30 by Chair Leonard Attrell. The minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with to be held for the next regular meeting.

City Manager, Mike Warren recapped the progress that had been made to date, commenting on the decision to put aside funds for library expansion, the selection of the architects, the design phase, and Council's motion in support of the expansion.

Discussion was held on the formation of a library district to include the area outside Newberg's city limits. Opinion was expressed that there would likely be more support for a district if it were established before construction of an expanded facility; there would be little incentive for voters to form a district if their needs are already met. Librarian Doreen Turpen expressed an opinion that there might be more incentive for outlying areas to form a district once they have seen the expanded facility and improved services have been demonstrated.

Terry Mahr requested that staff gather information to demonstrate cost comparisons with other recent library construction projects, the cost of the proposed bond measure per household, and background information on other bond measure drives. The Librarian reported that data gathering on these points was underway and presented some estimates of bond measure costs.

The meeting was adjourned until 3:30 p.m. Thursday September 15 at the City Manager's office.