NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MINUTES
November 4, 2026

Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Courthouse Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, SC, for a Work Session.

Notice of the meeting was duly advertised, as required by law.

PRESENT: Karl Sease, Chairman
Leon Fulmer, Council Member
Todd Johnson, Council Member (Virtual)
Travis Reeder, Council Member
Johnny Mack Scurry, Council Member
Robert Shealy, Council Member
Stuart Smith, Council Member
Ted Luckadoo, County Administrator
Joanie Winters, County Attorney
Karen Brehmer, Deputy County Administrator
Debbie Cromer, Finance Director
Rick Farmer, Economic Development Director
Laura Kneece, Coroner
Eric Nieto, IT Director
Andrew Wigger, Clerk to Council/PIO

1. Call to order: Karl Sease, Chairman.

2. Discussion of the purchase of three new camera systems for the Newberry County Coroner's Office, contingent upon grant approval – Coroner Laura Kneece.

   - Ms. Kneece said they are requesting three standardized camera kits at an estimated cost of $12,600 ($4,200 per kit) to improve the NCCO's ability to

document death scenes, injuries, identifying characteristics and other relevant physical evidence.

- The grant to the NCCO office will be 100 percent funded. This grant is through the Bureau of Justice.
- Mr. Smith asked how long it will take to obtain, once awarded; Ms. Kneece estimated within 90 days.
- Mr. Luckadoo said there is no action that will need to be taken, but they wanted to inform council of the intention to apply for the grant.

3. Executive Session:

   a. Receipt of legal advice regarding the disposition of county owned property.

   b. Personnel Matter(s): Discussion regarding contractual and employee matters related to Newberry County Council employees.

- Mr. Shealy made a motion to go into Executive Session; Mr. Scurry provided the second and the motion carried 6-0, Mr. Johnson was not present for the vote.
- Newberry County Council went into Executive Session at 5:04 p.m.
- Mr. Johnson arrived at the meeting virtually during the Executive Session.
- Mr. Fulmer made a motion to come out of Executive Session; Mr. Smith provided the second and the motion carried 7-0.
- Newberry County Council came out of Executive Session at 6:03 p.m.

4. Adjournment.

- Mr. Reeder made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Scurry provided the second and the motion carried 7-0.
- The Newberry County Work Session adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

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Karl Sease, Chairman

Andrew Wigger, Clerk to Council

Minutes Approved: 11-18-26