

Sheriff: Euthanasia policy at dog pound unchanged

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Four dogs were recently euthanized by the Del Norte Dog Pound. The report comes from Sheriff Garrett Scott.

The sheriff reported the animals put down following current agriculture code deeming an animal as vicious and posing a danger to the community.

In December, a volunteer at the pound was seriously injured by a vicious dog and the animal was euthanized.

The sheriff assumed control of the pound in January and stated, “I regret to report these recent euthanizations but when the public safety is a risk, I must consider that a priority and adhere to policy already in place.”

Sheriff Scott spoke about appropriate protocol once a dog becomes county property.

“All dogs are tested for temperament,” he said. “Our department will continue to follow procedures which support public safety. We need more volunteers, more adoptions and more legal spay and neuter services in Del Norte County.”

Currently there are 26 dogs ready for fostering or adoption.

The dog pound is located at 2650 W. Washington Blvd. and can be reached at (707) 464-7235.