

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Regular Council Meeting
February 13, 2018
6:30 pm

PRESENT: Mayor Molly Hughes, Councilmembers Catherine Ballay, Jackie Henderson, Pat Powell, and Rick Walti.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Ballay, second by Councilmember Powell to excuse Councilmember Christine Crowell from the Regular Council Meeting of February 13, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF PRESENT: Planning Director Owen Dennison, Marshal Chris Garden, and Fiscal Clerk Carol Browne.

CHANGES AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Mayor requested the revision of NEW BUSINESS item #1 to Ordinance 744, and the addition of one DISUCSSION item, determination of a date for a Council Workshop.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Henderson, second by Councilmember Ballay to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 23, 2018 were approved as submitted

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Hughes shared that she attended three Navy water related meetings in the last three weeks.
 - The first was attended by the eight private well owners, Navy personnel, Department of Health (DOH) officials and members of the engineering firm the Navy has hired to work on the filtration project.
 - The second meeting included the DOH, the Navy, Jacobs Engineering, Joe Grogan and Kelly Riepma. The process for extending service lines to the eight private well owners was discussed. The Navy's timeline anticipates a May 2019 completion on filtration and extension of services.
 - The third meeting included Town of Coupeville Attorney Grant Weed, two navy attorneys and other navy personnel to discuss the creation of an official document

outlining the Navy's role in the installation of a new filtration system and water service extension.

- Mayor Hughes attended a gathering at Ciao, hosted by the Whidbey Water Keepers, to celebrate the Navy's efforts to resolve Coupeville water issues. Approximately thirty people attended.
- Mayor Hughes spoke with a Puget Sound Energy (PSE) engineer about additional lighting needs within the Town of Coupeville. She is looking forward to continued collaboration.
- Mayor Hughes met with Peg Tennant and Dorothy Mueller from the Coupeville Farmers' Market Association with regards to the Market's operation during construction on the Community Green.
- Mayor Hughes shared that she had a conversation with the Peaceful Valley Homeowners Association to determine how to best communicate construction plans with those who live around the Green.
- Mayor Hughes informed that Council that community surveys, distributed in the last utility billing, are being returned and tabulated.
- Mayor Hughes highlighted several past and future local events: Twenty four businesses participated in the Chocolate Walk sponsored by The Chamber of Commerce. One hundred and seventy six tickets were sold. The Lion's Club Scholarship Auction will be held Saturday, February 17th. Gifts of the Heart Foodbank will celebrate Valentine's Day and its sweet sixteenth anniversary on February 14th, providing special treats and Valentine messages to all they serve that day. Mussel fest will be held the weekend of March 3-4, 2018. And finally, Puget Sound Energy will host an Energy Fair in the Rec Hall on March 6th from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.
- Finally, Mayor Hughes commended the work of our utility staff who worked all weekend, day and night, to ensure that our treatment plant operated at maximum efficiency during the unexpected heavy rains.

PRESENTATION

Councilmember Oath of Office for Rick Walti, Position #2, was sworn in and will serve out the remainder of the term previously held by Councilmember Lisa Bernhardt. He was invited to join the Council on the dais for the rest of the meeting.

Kristin Griffin, Manager of Ebey's National Historic Reserve, provided Councilmembers with the annual narrative report of last year's work of the Trust Board of Ebey's Landing and gave a presentation on the variety of events and activities currently planned to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Reserve.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Ordinance 744, accepting a \$2,300 donation from the Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festival Association to be used toward temporary, portable traffic control supplies

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Henderson, second by Councilmember Powell to approve Ordinance 744, accepting a \$2,300 donation from the Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festival Association, to be used toward temporary, portable traffic control supplies. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Resolution 18-01 authorizing the Mayor to sign an amended Interlocal agreement with the Island County Prosecutor, and to terminate the Town’s contract with Cohen, Manni, Theune & Manni, LLP for prosecutorial services.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Henderson, second Councilmember Walti to approve Resolution 18-01 amending the Interlocal agreement for prosecutorial services with the Island County Prosecutor, as well as terminating the current contract with Cohen, Manni, Theune and Manni, LLP. The motion passed unanimously.

Authorize Mayor to sign a contract for Hearing Examiner services with Sound Law Center

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Henderson, second by Councilmember Ballay to approve a contract for Hearing Examiner services, as presented, with Sound Law Center. The motion passed unanimously.

Authorize Mayor to sign a contract for Survey Services with PowerTek Electric, Inc.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Henderson, second by Councilmember Ballay to approve a contract for survey services, as presented, with PowerTek Electric, Inc.; for TIB projects. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve \$1,350 of 2% funds to support the Coupeville Chamber of Commerce ad in USA Today promoting tourism.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Powell, second by Councilmember Henderson to approve \$1,350 of 2% funds to support the Coupeville Chamber of Commerce ad in USA Today promoting tourism. The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Mayor Hughes led a discussion to determine the best date for a Council workshop to discuss the Town of Coupeville’s Comprehensive Plan. March 1, 2018 was selected. The workshop will begin at 4:00 pm. Location to be determined.

STAFF REPORT

Marshall Chris Garden provided information on several scams currently operating in the area. There will be a newspaper article detailing the information.

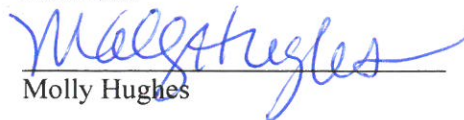
ADJOURNMENT: 8:00pm

Respectfully Submitted:



Carol Browne

MAYOR:



Molly Hughes