

**Town of Coupeville  
Regular Council Meeting  
November 12, 2019  
6:35 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Hughes, Councilmembers Catherine Ballay, Rick Walti, Pat Powell, Michael C. Moore, and Jackie Henderson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beech and Planning Director Owen Dennison

**CHANGES AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Mayor Hughes requested the Council add an item under NEW BUSINESS:

**5. Approval of PSE Easement**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 22, 2019 were approved with minor corrections.

**PRESENTATION**

Coupeville Farmers Market Manager Peg Tennant gave a brief presentation to the Council, reviewing market activities in 2019.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

- Mayor Hughes attended the annual Halloween Parade and Pumpkin Races, sponsored by the Coupeville Historical Waterfront Association. The event was well-attended and she thanked the association for all of their hard work on the event.
- Mayor Hughes attended her monthly meeting with Captain Army where they discussed the water plant expansion, water main extension, and she learned that due to scheduled maintenance, there are no flights planned at OLF for the remainder of the year.
- Mayor Hughes informed the Council that the new phone system is fully operational.
- Mayor Hughes attended a NET meeting last week where the group practiced opening the Volunteer Reporting Center.
- Mayor Hughes attended a Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting to hear about the County's plans for increasing solid waste and biosolid disposal fees.
- Mayor Hughes attended the annual Friends of Ebey's Community Potluck Fundraiser, along with many other local residents.
- Mayor Hughes informed the Council that she has been invited to participate at an event on Climate Change in Langley on November 15th.
- Finally, Mayor Hughes reminded the Council of upcoming events, including the Town Veteran's Day Ceremony scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m., in front of the Veteran's Memorial on 6<sup>th</sup> Street; and the annual Lion's Blood Drive on November 21<sup>st</sup>.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Hughes opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. She asked the Council if they were aware of any conflicts of interest or appearance of fairness issues. Hearing none, Mayor Hughes asked Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beech to proceed with the presentation of the Draft Preliminary Budget. The public was invited to comment. No members of the audience spoke at the hearing. The Mayor then asked Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beech if any comments had been received by the advertised deadline. Hearing that no comments were received by the Clerk Treasurer regarding this proceeding, the Mayor gave the Council the opportunity to ask clarifying questions. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Approval of Resolution 19-12 Accepting Donation from the Coupeville Farmers Market**

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Henderson to approve Resolution 19-12 Accepting Donation from the Coupeville Farmers Market. The motion passed unanimously.

**Adoption of Ordinance 757, Vacation of an Unopened Portion NE Hawthorne Place**

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Walti, second by Councilmember Ballay to adopt Ordinance 757 to vacate the unopened portion of the NE Hawthorne Place right-of-way subject to payment of compensation. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of renewal of Town Attorney Agreement with Weed, Graafstra & Associates**

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Henderson, second by Councilmember Ballay to approve The town Attorney Retainer Agreement with Weed, Graafstra and Associates for calendar years 2020 and 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

**Cancellation of Regular Council Meeting scheduled for December 24, 2019**

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Henderson to cancel the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for December 24, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of PSE Easement**

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Henderson to approve the Mayor to sign the PSE easement for the Fort Casey Water Treatment Plant with the stipulation the legal description is confirmed by our town engineer. Questions were asked and answered. The motion passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councilmember Henderson reported the Island Transit Board will be holding an emergency meeting this Friday to discuss the impacts of I-976.

Councilmember Moore had nothing to report. He notified the Council he would be out of town on November 26<sup>th</sup> and asked that he be excused from the Regular Council Meeting.

Councilmember Powell had nothing to report.

Councilmember Walti had nothing to report.

Councilmember Ballay had nothing to report.

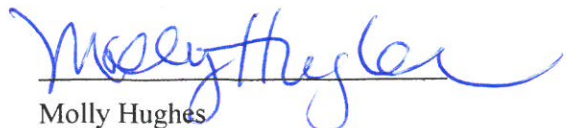
**ADJOURNMENT: 7:29 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted:

MAYOR:



Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beech



Molly Hughes

*A complete audio recording of this meeting is available upon request from the Clerk-Treasurer.*