

TOWN OF COUPEVILLE
Regular Council Meeting
May 13, 2025
6:00pm

PRESENT: Mayor Molly Hughes, Councilmembers Jenny Bright, Rick Walti, Pat Powell, Michael Moore, and Jackie Henderson

STAFF PRESENT: Deputy Clerk Chris Jolly, Clerk-Treasurer Corine Jackson, and Public Works Director Joe Grogan

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:00pm, Mayor Hughes called the meeting to order and led the Council in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda of the May 13, 2025 Regular Council Meeting was approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the April 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting were approved as submitted.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- The Planning and Building department held their second meeting about the Coastal Adaptation Strategy. The meeting and presentations went well, but they were poorly attended.
- Mayor Hughes attended the Coupeville Chamber Business Awards. Business of the year went to Kingfisher Books and Arts and Letters.
- The Navy held two public meetings about PFAS to educate people. They have expanded their test area so there were a lot of new faces that the meetings.
- A group of community members have taken on the organizing of Coupeville Pride. The date will be June 14 but the time is to be determined.
- Mayor Hughes met the new executive director of the Pacific Rim Institute, Muri Mitschak. They have big plans for fundraising and events at PRI.
- Mayor Hughes and Councilmember Henderson attended the YMCA at Camp Casey Open House. The gym renovation looks great and the pool will be open soon.
- Mayor Hughes and the Coupeville Lions helped the Gifts from the Heart food bank move to their new location.
- Deputy Clerk Jolly and Assistant Planner Walsh took the Business License portal training with the Department of Revenue.
- The Coupeville Water Festival went very well and was well attended. Community Planning Director Engelbrecht set up a tent to discuss the Coastal Adaptation Strategy and sea level rise. Some very engaging conversations were had.

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- The Boardwalk replacement project began on May 12. They are building ramps and guardrails to allow access to the impacted businesses in the area.
- The historic Zylstra Law Office was moved from Front St. to 5th and Clapp. The move went smoothly.
- There are three new faces running for two Council positions. Planning Commissioner Evan Hendrich is running unopposed for Position 4. Brandon Roos and Kristo Allred are running for Position 5.
- There will be a second Ferry added to the Port Townsend – Coupeville route, Friday through Monday, from July 3 through October 13.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 803 Amending Business License Code

Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Henderson, to approve Ordinance 803 amending Coupeville Town code chapter 5.40. The motion passed unanimously.

Cabaret License for Goldies and the Roost

Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Bright, seconded by Councilmember Henderson, to approve Cabaret License CL25-004, issued to Goldies and the Roost. The motion passed unanimously.

Memorial Parade Street Closures

Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Henderson, seconded by Councilmember Bright, to approve street closures related to Special Event Permit #SEP25-010, for the Annual Memorial Day Parade and Remembrance Ceremony. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 804 Amending Fireworks Code

Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Powell, to postpone approval of Ordinance 804 to the next Regular Council Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

April Payroll and A/P

Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Walti, seconded by Councilmember Bright, to approve April 2025 Payroll EFT Transactions for a total of \$108,977.43 and April 2025 A/P Transactions and EFT payments #11048 - #11091 for a total of \$300,757.16. The motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Moore

The Law and Justice Council met and discussed funding concerns for the Recovery Navigator program. Moore also noted that the ICOMM levy passed, says Sheriff Felici is pleased about that.

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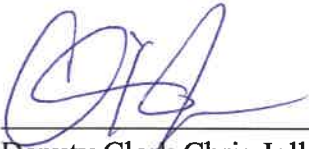
Councilmember Bright

Councilmember Bright reminded everyone that Island Transit has some route changes going into effect on June 1. Encourages everyone check out Island Transit's website for more information.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

MAYOR



Deputy Clerk Chris Jolly

Molly Hughes