

**Town of Coupeville
Regular Council Meeting
August 23, 2016
6:30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Mayor Molly Hughes, Councilmembers Pat Powell, Catherine Ballay, Jackie Henderson, Dianne Binder and Lisa Bernhardt.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beech, Planning Director Owen Dennison

CHANGES AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 09, 2016 were approved as submitted.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Hughes informed that the Coupeville Lions have chosen the Coupeville Town Park Kitchen Restoration project as their Legacy Project, and that they will volunteer their time and expertise to update the plumbing, the electrical, seal the cement floor and paint the structure inside and out.
- Mayor Hughes reported that the Arts & Crafts festival went well this year and that organizers received a number of positive comments from vendors.
- Mayor Hughes finished the grant application for a variety of chipseal and overlay projects, due to the Department of Transportation this month.
- Mayor Hughes shared that she and Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beech met with WCIA representative Debbi Sellars as part of our annual insurance audit.
- Mayor Hughes reminded Council that the first of two community meetings scheduled to discuss the rate increase will be next Tuesday at noon.
- Mayor Hughes attended the Jacob Ebey House opening and reported that the event went well.
- Finally, Mayor Hughes reminded the Council that this Thursday there will be a Founder's Day celebration and as part of the celebration for the National Parks 100 year birthday, there will be 3 panels revealed at the scenic overlooks in the prairie.

PRESENTATION

Island County Economic Development Council Director Ron Nelson provided handouts to the Council and presented a variety of economic information related to Coupeville, in the form of a PowerPoint. Questions were asked and answered.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of letter to Navy regarding comments on Section 106 defining Areas of Potential Effect (APE)

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Jackie Henderson, second by Councilmember Catherine Ballay to approve the Mayor to sign the letter to the Navy regarding comments on Section 106 defining Areas of Potential Effect (APE). The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of July 2016 Payroll and August 2016 Claims Vouchers/Warrants

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Jackie Henderson, second by Councilmember Dianne Binder to approve the July 2016 payroll transactions and warrants #31779 to #31784 for a total of \$77,562.29; and the August 2016 A/P transactions and warrants #31785 to #31836 for a total of \$71,209.66. Questions were asked and answered. The motion passed unanimously.

Set Budget Workshop Date and Time

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Jackie Henderson, second by Councilmember Dianne Binder to cancel the Regular Council Meeting of October 11, 2016, and to schedule a Council Workshop for 4:30pm on October 11, 2016 in the Rec Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

~~Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beech presented information to the Council about a suggested Budget Revision for 2016. The Public Hearing for the 2016 Budget Revision is scheduled for August 9th during the next Regular Council Meeting. No action was taken.~~

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Jackie Henderson had nothing to report.

Councilmember Lisa Bernhardt reported that the Ebey’s Trust Board has approved their work plan and budget for the upcoming fiscal year. She also reported that the Board has decided to open their new trail to dogs on leash for a trail period. Finally, Councilmember Bernhardt encouraged fellow Councilmembers to attend the unveiling of the three new panels that the Mayor spoke about earlier in the evening.

Councilmember Pat Powell had nothing to report, but did request that the Council consider adding a presentation by the Whidbey Camano Land Trust to a Council Agenda in January or February of next year.

Councilmember Dianne Binder had nothing to report, but did mention that Sherrye Wyatt is interested in presenting information on Coupeville Tourism to the Council.

Councilmember Catherine Ballay reported that last month the Law & Justice Council focused on Public Defender services. They are evaluating the process followed based on the amount of evidence that has to be reviewed for the large case load.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:55pm

Respectfully Submitted:

MAYOR:



Kelly Beech, Clerk Treasurer



Molly Hughes

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