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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
An Opportunity to Participate

There are many opportunities to take an active role in your local government. The Town of Coupeville has six citizen boards and commissions on which residents help shape the future of our community by serving in advisory capacities to the Coupeville Town Council. There are current vacancies or terms due for renewal on the following groups. If you would like more information, or an application form, please contact Judy Thomas at 360-678-4461 or clerktreasurer@townofcoupeville.org. The application form is also on the Town's website at www.townofcoupeville.org

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

- *Three members: two current vacancies*
- *Meets as needed (approximately three times per year) • Term: Six years*

Responsible for making rules and regulations and exercise the powers and perform the duties established by RCW 41.12 in connection with the selection, appointment, and employment of police, including the town marshal.

PLANNING COMMISSION

- *Five members: one current vacancy and one position due for renewal or new appointment*
- *Town residency required for three members; two members may reside out side the town limits but must be registered voters in Island County and own and operate a business within the town limits.*
- *Currently meets first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. • Term: Four years*

Responsible for preparing and recommending amendments to the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Make recommendations to the Town Council regarding changes to zoning and other land use regulations. Make recommendations to Town Council on land use applications.

LIBRARY BOARD

- *Five members: one position due for renewal or new appointment*
- *Currently meets third Tuesday evening of each month • Term: Five years*

Sets policy to govern operations and programs of the library. Serves in an advisory capacity to the Town and Sno-Isle Regional Library District.

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

- *Seven members: Three positions due for renewal or new appointment*
- *Town residency required*
- *Meets several times a year • Term: Three years*

Reviews recreational needs for residents and makes recommendations on beautification and management of parks, recreation areas and facilities.

SELECTION PROCESS:

All applicants will be interviewed by the Mayor and a member of the Town Council. The Mayor will recommend appointments to the Town Council for their approval.

Applications are due December 27, 2010.

COUPEVILLE, ARE YOU READY...?
(for winter storms)

Now that the stormy season is with us - and the National Weather Service is warning of colder and wetter than normal weather for our region - it's time to get ourselves set for cold temperatures, power outages, roads blocked by fallen trees and debris, and other seasonal hazards.

The Town of Coupeville recommends that residents take at least two important sets of action:

1. STOCK UP

You may not be able to get to the store for several days during and after a major winter storm. Remember to have the basics on hand to get you through at least 3-7 days. Some suggested items:

- canned food that can be eaten as is, or heated outside via small propane stove
- enough water -1 gallon per person per day
- high-energy snacks
- pet food
- medicines

2. STAY IN TOUCH

Remember those 2-sided window cards that were distributed earlier this year to homes in Coupeville? Red/HELP Green/OK cards posted in windows can help first responders quickly survey neighborhoods and note the status of households displaying these cards.

Also, the Town prepared and distributed magnetic cards carrying important local phone numbers, with space provided for you to add your family contact information. The cards also indicate locations in Town where emergency information will be posted in the event of a major event here.

Use these tools to inform your neighbors how you are doing, and to remind yourself how to get in touch with your family and the Town. You can pick up these cards at Town Hall.

POWER OUTAGE

In the event of a power outage, you can call PSE, 888.225.5773, to report the outage. After the outages are initially reported, PSE tries to keep an updated recording to report estimated repair times.

PSE is also in contact with Town staff, since operation of our utilities is dependent on electrical service. In the event of a prolonged outage, we will change the recording on the Town Hall phone to give an update - for example "PSE estimates the power outage will be at least 6 more hours, until approximately 10:30 p.m.".

EMERGENCY SHELTER

If the power outage occurs during cold weather, and is expected be extensive, the Town will open an emergency shelter at the Rec. Hall. Hot soup will be available, as will cots for sleeping, board games for entertainment, and friends or neighbors with whom you may commiserate!

If a shelter is opened, the recording on the Town Hall phone will include that information, too. In addition, signs will be posted at the post office, the courthouse, and area businesses.