



# TOWN HALL NEWS

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## SPRING CLEAN UP DAY SATURDAY, APR 5

9 AM - 2 PM

### PUBLIC WORKS SHOP • 205 N. MAIN

Again this year, the Town will partner with Island Disposal and WSU Waste Wise to provide free drop off of items that cannot be placed in your garbage can. We will take:

LARGE DISCARDS	YARD WASTE	WOOD	METAL
-Furniture	-Branches under 2"	-Construction Waste*	-Bikes
-Mattresses	-Leaves	-Wood Furniture	-Fencing
-Hoses	-Grass	-Wood Chairs	-Scrap Metal
			-Swing Sets

- **No construction waste from contractors!\***
- **No Household Garbage!** We cannot accept bags of garbage.
- **We do not accept tires, appliances.**
- **We do not accept recyclables** (newspapers, plastic containers, cardboard). They may be taken to the Island County Landfill recycling center at no charge.
- **We do not accept paints, chemicals, gasoline or motor oil.** These items may be taken to the Island County Landfill at no charge.

This service is limited to Town residents only - bring a copy of your water bill and identification showing your address. This project is paid for with taxpayer dollars and must be restricted to Town of Coupeville residents.

## PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK April 26, 10 am-2 pm

On Saturday, April 26, the Coupeville Marshal's Office will be open to accept expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs. This is a great opportunity to dispose of unneeded medications. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last October, a similar effort saw Americans turning in nearly 324 tons of prescription drugs at 5,683 sites! There are two good reasons to dispose of drugs in this manner. Medicines that languish in home medicine cabinets are susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. Studies show that a majority of abused drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, many people flush unused medicines down the toilet or throw them in the trash - both pose potential safety and health hazards.

## NEW OFFICERS IN MARSHAL'S OFFICE

Our new contract with Island County became effective March 1. The Island County Sheriff's Office provides staff to our marshal's office. Rick Norrie is our new Town Marshal. Rick has been with the Sheriff's office since 1987 and has had a great deal of experience in all aspects of law enforcement. His experience has allowed him to make a quick transition to his new assignment. Rick has been busy starting to meet with key community and business leaders this month.

Rick is assisted by Deputy Marshal Jim Johnson. Jim has been with the county since 2002, and previously worked as a reserve officer for Coupeville, and so is very familiar with our community. Both Rick and Jim have been on regular patrol in Town, including maintaining a presence at community events.

Although our staff is now from the Sheriff's Office, they wear Coupeville uniforms and take their direction from the Mayor and town council. New Coupeville police cars have been ordered and will be on the streets in a couple more weeks. Until the new cars arrive, you may see the officers in a county car.

The days and hours for the two officers have been scheduled during times when we historically have the greatest demand for police service. During hours when they are not on duty, emergency calls will be handled by officers from the North Precinct of the Sheriff's office. These officers will interact with our two designated officers to share information.

The two officers are both based at Town Hall, although they are usually out of the office on patrol. To reach an officer in a non-emergency, call dispatch at ICom at 679.9567. They will have an officer contact you. In case of an emergency, call 911. Calls left at town hall at 678.4461, ext 1 will be returned as soon as an officer comes in to the office.

## GARDEN SPACES AVAILABLE

The Town of Coupeville is again sponsoring a community garden for the residents of Coupeville, who may want to have gardens but lack the space to do it on their own property. The Coupeville Community Garden is located at Highway 20 and Broadway between the forest and the Four Square Church.

If you are interested in renting one of 60 plots for organic vegetable, flower or herb gardening, applications are available at Town Hall and on the Town Website at [www.townofcoupeville.org](http://www.townofcoupeville.org). Applicants will be emailed or phoned with their plot assignment.

- Garden plots are assigned by lottery, except that returning gardeners may request their prior year plot. Requests for multiple plots will be honored as long as there is space available.
- Returning gardeners and residents of the Town of Coupeville have first choice for garden plots. If space is still available plots may be rented by residents outside the town limits.
- You must pay a \$30 fee for each 10' x 12' plot which covers water and site maintenance. Additional information is available on the application form.
- The garden will open May 1. The garden will close Oct 31.