# WOODWAY WHISPER

TOWN OF WOODWAY

## MAYOR'S MESSAGES

## NO FIREWORKS IN WOODWAY!



Here we go again. As we all look forward to our upcoming Fourth of July holiday, I urge each Woodway family to be responsible and careful and to not be tempted to "let off" any fireworks, which are prohibited in Woodway.

Besides the usual REAL threat of bodily harm and

destruction to property, there is also the risk of an errant spark starting a forest fire. Woodway's big, majestic trees could be the victims of such a spark. And then there's the additional hassle of loud noises in the middle of our quiet. Many resident dogs are terrified by fireworks. Let's all be respectful of our neighbors, the trees and our animals by leaving fireworks to the pros.

## NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS: LEVY RATE VOTE, PT. WELLS

These topics will be the focus of our neighborhood meetings this summer. You recently received a letter outlining the issues associated with the Town considering a levy rate increase on this fall's general election ballot. The question is whether residents want to continue the same level of Woodway government services into the future.

The second topic, Point Wells, will focus on what individual residents think Woodway's role should be as this large area of the waterfront gets developed. While there are many uncertainties associated with this topic, it's critical that residents and Town leaders discuss the options.

The first neighborhood meeting, for the Estates, will be held at the home of Dr. Wally and Bernice Kegel, 22201 Makah Road. Monday, July 11 @ 6 pm.

## YOU ARE INVITED...

This year's fair is going to be the best!! Besides all the usual great stuff, like enjoying delicious BBQ, listening to the Uptown Lowdown Jazz Band, and enjoying children's activities, we will all be treated to a concert by the popular local family band, Recess Monkey.

The second meeting, for the Woodway Highlands neighborhood, will be held in the small picnic park at the south end of W. Greystone Lane. Tuesday, July 12 @ 6 pm.

I would like to schedule two additional meetings: one in the two acre zone of Town and also one in the southern portion (south of 238th). The tentative meeting dates are: Monday, July 25 and Tuesday, July 26 (one hour duration). By July, our weather should be pleasant so these meetings could be held outdoors in your back yard. The Town will provide light refreshments and will call residents to remind them of the meeting. If you would like to assist by hosting one of these meetings, please contact Town Hall. Thank you!

Just ask one of our young families in town or your grandkids and they will tell you the "Monkeys" are awesome. Don't miss this concert. See you and your families on Saturday, August 20, 11 am until 2 pm.

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## TOWN FAIR 2016

The families of Woodway are in for a special treat at this year's fair - local kindie rock band Recess Monkey will perform! Their website shares these great reviews:

"Known for prolific, eclectic musical output and their contagiously exciting live shows, Recess Monkey strives to strike a balance between kid-centric ideas and musical authenticity. Lyrically, they weave jokes and puns together with universal childhood themes, speaking to both kids and their parents simultaneously

with catchy, melodic songs. Seamlessly meshing their indie-rock roots with their keen awareness of childhood themes, the band continues to make waves coast to coast."

"Recess Monkey is known for prolific album output, high-energy shows and laugh-out-loud funny lyrics that capture the essence of being young."

The young and young-at-heart will enjoy this show!

## PHOTO BOOTH at the Fair

Last year's photo booth was so much fun, we can't wait to have them back! Create fun souvenirs of the 2016 Town Fair - have your picture taken with your friends, neighbors, and family. They will be operating between noon and 2 pm to give you hours of photo booth fun.

## Entertainment

The Uptown Lowdown Jazz Band will be back! They have a large repertoire of Dixieland jazz that is loved by young and old alike.

Special Guests: RECESS MONKEY will perform - you won't want to miss this exciting addition to the fair! Concert starts at 1 pm.

There will also be many of the traditional children's fair activities - pony rides, a fishing pond, coin toss game, face painting, and more.

## Food and Drink

The BBQ lunch, served by your Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners, is free of charge.

We will serve brats, hot dogs, Caesar salad, watermelon, cookies, and an assortment of cold beverages.



## PIE CONTEST AT THE FAIR

Attention all Woodway bakers—start your ovens! The ninth annual pie contest will be judged by a team of local pie aficionados. As in past years, local businesses have donated prizes for the top pies.

Fine print: Entrants must be residents of Woodway, no store bought pie crust or filling, and finally, one pie per contestant.



Please bring your pie in a disposable tin with your name written on the bottom. All pies must be submitted by 11:30 a.m.

For more details, please look for the flyers posted around town in August, or contact Town Hall.

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## WOODWAY READY! CAN HELP YOU PREPARE

By Henry Veldman, Woodway Ready! Chair

"Experts say when the big one hits be prepared to go it alone" read a banner headline in the Everett Herald during the Cascadia Earthquake Drill. The Town of Woodway leadership created a community plan to minimize us "going it alone".

The Town was divided into 10 neighborhood zones with Co-Captains to hold Emergency Preparedness meetings with neighbors in each zone. As of this date, many information sessions have already occurred.

Earthquakes will occur, but major power outages, fire, or severe windstorms might also occur and can be disastrous. Know what to do in the event disaster strikes. In a disaster, your neighbors are your closest source of help.

Literature explaining what to do in an emergency is available for each resident in Woodway. At the neighborhood meetings, residents learn:

- 9 steps to take immediately following a disaster
- about neighborhood gathering sites
- taking a neighborhood inventory of skills and equipment
- mapping your neighborhood zone and developing a contact list

At the Town Fair in August there will be a booth with information about Emergency Preparedness.

Our goal is to help you be prepared in the event of a disaster.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

How does Woodway plan for and prepare for natural disasters?

Now that Woodway is a part of Snohomish County's Emergency Management program, these risks and related mitigation plans are being planned for. The County has lots of solid scientific information and geotechnical maps for you to study.

Please join us for an informal open house at Town Hall on Monday, July 18th from 6-7 pm.

Please mark your calendars and be watching in the mail for a postcard reminder. Help us to be a community that is properly prepared. County emergency personnel want to get your opinion on what would be the best plan for Woodway.

### FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have plenty of volunteer opportunities for residents of all ages!

- Teens: We need you to help set up equipment and supervise children's activities. Remember that your Fair activities count toward your high school community service hours.
- Adults: We're looking for people to bake cookies before the fair and to help with lunch on the 20th.

If you are interested, please call Town Hall at 206.542.4443.

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## Important news from our 9-1-1 dispatch center!

"In an effort to better serve our community, SNOCOM is implementing a non-emergency number that will still be answered at SNOCOM, but it will be configured so that 9-1-1 calls are answered first.

"As the county has grown, the approach of having everyone call 9-1-1 for emergencies and non-emergencies alike is no longer tenable. When people with non-emergencies call 9-1-1, those with true emergencies can potentially have their calls delayed. Our intent is to take non-emergency calls off 9-1-1 to reduce possible delays and improve public safety service delivery."

# If there is an immediate emergency threat to life or property, DIAL 9-1-1:

- Any urgent/emergent medical or fire situation
- Any in progress crime, suspicious activity, or if a person fears for their safety or the safety of others

#### For Non-Emergencies, call 425-775-3000:

- A crime that occurred earlier and there is no suspect information
- Situations where emergency services personnel are needed but there is no immediate danger to life or property
- A found pet or property
- Illegal firework complaints

If you are not sure if your situation is an emergency, you are encouraged to call 9-1-1.

When you call 9-1-1, be prepared to answer the call-taker's questions, which may include:

- The location of the emergency, including the street address;
- The phone number you are calling from;
- The nature of the emergency.

## IT'S SAFE BICYCLE RIDING SEASON

By Police Chief Hansen

With more people riding bicycles, following the rules of the road is especially important. A bicycle is a legal road vehicle, just like a car. This means that bicycle riders have the same rights and responsibilities as drivers. Here are some laws to be aware of whether you are biking or driving a motor vehicle:

Riding on the Road: When riding on a roadway, a cyclist has all the rights and responsibilities of a vehicle driver. Cyclists who violate traffic laws may be ticketed.

Children Bicycling: Parents or guardians may not knowingly permit bicycle traffic violations by their ward.

Riding Side by Side: Cyclists may ride side by side, but not more than two abreast.

**Riding at Night:** A white front light (not a reflector) visible for 500 feet and a red rear reflector are required. A red rear light may be used in addition to the required reflector.

Shoulder vs. Bike Lane: Cyclists may choose to ride on the path, bike lane, shoulder or travel lane as suits their safety needs.

Passing Bicyclists: The driver of a vehicle approaching a pedestrian or bicycle on the roadway, right-hand shoulder, or bicycle lane shall pass to the left at a safe distance and shall not again drive to the right side of the roadway until safely clear of the overtaken pedestrian or bicyclist.

Remember that we are all trying to get somewhere and we need to share the road. Sharing the roadway safely is best for everyone. ISSUE 2, 2016 Page 5

## TOWN COUNCIL CORNER

#### **General Government:**

- Approved Resolution 16-384 allowing for the disposal of surplus property.
- Heard a presentation by Deborah Anderson, Executive Director of the Foundation for Edmonds Schools.

#### Public Works & Lands:

• Agreed to allow dogs in the Upper Reserve.

#### **Public Safety:**

- Fire Chief Matt Cowan shared the 2015 annual report from Shoreline Fire Department.
- Agreed to keep the old police vehicle for 6-12 months and then evaluate whether it was proving useful as a back-up or for traffic control.

## WOODWAY ANNEXATION APPROVED

Our little Town is one step closer to getting bigger! The Town's petition to the Snohomish County Boundary Review Board to annex 39.85 acres of unincorporated County land, commonly known as "the upper bluff" (land west of 238th street), has been approved. These parcels are zoned for single family residences and have historically been an area that the Town wanted to annex.

After months of negotiations and public hearings at the Planning Commission and Council level, a petition was submitted to the Boundary Review Board. It was recently approved by that county level Board. The petition now comes back to the Woodway Council for consideration to formally incorporate the upper bluff into our community.

## PLANNING COMMISSION NOTES

The Planning Commission heard a presentation by Dara Salmon, Emergency Preparedness Program Manager of the Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management, on Woodway's portion of the federally-mandated Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). The HMP lists naturally occurring hazards that are likely to happen in Woodway (such as earthquakes,

fires, severe storms, etc.) and includes proposed mitigation actions to lessen the impact of those hazards.

The next step in the adoption process is an open house, which will take place on July 18 at 6 pm at Town Hall. All residents are invited to comment on the HMP.

SAVE THE DATE!

Woodway's Town Fair will be held on August 20, 2016.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE.



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### TOWN INFORMATION

#### TOWN HALL DIRECTORY:

Planning Commission Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

#### TOWN HALL STAFF:

Town Hearing Examiner John Galt EMERGENCY 911

Class	Code City	Town Administrator	Eric A. Faison
County	Snohomish	Clerk Treasurer	Joyce Bielefeld
Population	1307	Deputy Clerk/Permit Technician	Heidi K. S. Napolitino
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Mayor	Carla A. Nichols	Fire Marshal	Todd Malo
Council Meets	1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m.	Town Planner	Bill Trimm
Planning Commission Chair	Robert Allen	Town Engineer	PACE Engineers

#### TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Bill Anderson, Tom Howard, Elizabeth Mitchell, Kent Saltonstall, Tom Whitson

#### LOCATIONS OF THE TOWN BULLETIN BOARDS:

Woodway Park Road at Algonquin Road

North end of Chinook Road

Bella Coola Road west of Makah Road

Timberlane Road at 240<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.

114<sup>th</sup> Avenue W. at 239<sup>th</sup> Place S.W.

Willowick Road, north side