WOODWAY WHISPER

TOWN OF WOODWAY

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

COMMUNITY FAIR IS A GO!

After much discussion, it has been decided that, with your help, we can enjoy our annual get together, which has been scheduled for August 12. The Council and I have heard from many residents saying that the Community Fair is the one fun thing the Town does all year. We've been asked, "Isn't there some way we could keep this great community tradition going?"

The answer is yes, but we need help from our residents. We need "extra hands" to augment our regular staff in planning for the Fair. In past years, we have had an additional Public Works employee who was a key resource to carry out the extra tasks required for the Fair. Our staff estimates 56 hours for prep work and 24 hours for cleanup.

I have two ideas to make things work: if individual residents could volunteer to work a four hour shift, either the week before or the two days after the Fair, we'll have enough "extra hands." To supplement the staff hours needed, that means at least 20 residents need to step forward to help.

Another approach would be to accept cash donations so that extra help could be hired. The Town

already solicits various local businesses to donate cash to cover entertainment and food costs, but additional funds could allow us to hire temporary help. If you know of a local business that has a policy of supporting local events, perhaps you could solicit a cash donation. We will recognize all donors at the Fair and in our fall newsletter.

So, can we do this? Woodway has always had a "can do" attitude - the answer is yes! Please contact me at carla@townofwoodway.com. I will keep a volunteer list and will gladly accept donations!

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ELECTION TIME

It may seem early to be thinking about fall elections, but the deadline for candidate filing is fast approaching. The positions for mayor and three Council members are available for any interested resident in Town who is over 18 years of age and an American citizen.

Through the years, Woodway has enjoyed the services of a thoughtful

group of leaders who have worked hard to set policies that allow our community to prosper. If you want to help continue this legacy, please check the Snohomish County Auditors website (http://snohomishcountywa.gov/224/ Elections-Voter-Registration) for filing instructions. The filing window is May 15-19.

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POINT WELLS UPDATE

By Eric Faison, Town Administrator

As you recall, last summer we completed the annexation of the Upper Bluff. The property owner is seeking to develop the area as a new single-family residential view neighborhood. They are currently preparing the necessary documentation and environmental research that we anticipate will be submitted to the Town soon.

Activities related to Point Wells itself have proven to be a lot more dynamic. Much of the recent activity has centered around sewage. Olympic View Water and Sewer District and the Town have been engaged with Ronald Wastewater District and/or the

City of Shoreline in several matters related to the provision of sewer service to two areas within Woodway and to Point Wells. It is the Town's position that the entire area is within the Town's service area, with services to be provided by Olympic View. It is Ronald's and Shoreline's position that the area is within Ronald's service area, and services to Point Wells in particular are to be provided by Shoreline upon Shoreline's takeover of Ronald later this year.

This is an important issue because of the relationship between service delivery generally and the desire of Shoreline to cross the County line and annex Point Wells specifically. We are joined by Snohomish County and the City of Edmonds in our arguments. We anticipate that much of this particular strain of litigation will be resolved in the next few months.

As for development of Point Wells, we have no new update. The County has informed the Point Wells developer (BSRE) that they must substantially revise their plan by mid-May, or the County will deny their application to develop the property - finding the current application contrary to the County Code. A significant element of the County's requested revision is a requirement that there be a second access road to the site from Woodway. We have not heard from the developer as to their thoughts on a second access road since last summer.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A BOOK LAUNCH!

It has been in the making for over two years and has consumed countless hours of preparation. Soon to be unveiled: a beautiful publication entitled, "A Walk Through Woodway."

The book is a visual gem that displays breathtaking photos of

private gardens and public open spaces, all unique to Woodway.

In early summer, the entire community will be invited to an evening reception to get a peek at the book and to congratulate the committee of six residents who have worked tirelessly to produce it. While it is hard to describe, I can assure everyone that it will be sought after by residents and many others who appreciate the quiet beauty of Woodway. Watch for an event postcard in June.

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WOODWAY CONNECTIONS

By Lisa Marquart & Stephanie Rothmier

The warmth of a fireside is a great place to gather for conversation and share ideas. If you are interested in meeting fellow residents and/or have an idea for connecting or supporting others in our community, we'd like to invite you to join us for our first "Friday Fireside." The Fireside is a casual time to meet one another and open

the door to conversation and brainstorming around the topic of practical ways we can enjoy the benefits of connecting as a community and supporting one another. Ideas such as Woodway Walkers/Runners, Family Nights, and simply knowing how to volunteer in support of Town activities have been discussed by many residents. However, we haven't gathered under one roof to

share and consider if they are more than just ideas. Our first Friday Fireside will meet at Town Hall on Friday, June 2nd at 7pm.

To RSVP or share your idea for connecting the people of our town, please email jnlmarquart@gmail.com.

Thank you and hope you can join the conversation!

Call 811 Before You Dig

Beautiful spring weather makes people want to beautify their yards and begin



construction projects, both large and small. Before starting any project, you are legally required to locate the utilities on your property. From call811.com:

"Any type of digging requires a call. Building a deck? Planting a tree? Installing a fence or mailbox? 811 is the number you should call before you begin any project."

The website gives valuable information on the Call Before You Dig program and gives the option of submitting your request online.

MASON BEES!

If you are looking for bees to fill the mason bee house you made at last summer's Town Fair, here are a few resources:

- Local nurseries can advise you on plants that can attract wild mason bees. Sky Nursery and Swansons have information available.
- Both Sky Nursery and Crown
 Bees (in Woodinville) sell bees,
 bee houses, and can help you
 get set up.



MONTHLY Hero's Cafe

Are you a veteran or have family members who are veterans? Verdant Health Commission hosts a monthly veterans gathering called Hero's Café on the last Tuesday of every month. From 9 am to 3 pm, veterans of all ages meet for camaraderie and coffee at the Verdant building on 196th.

More than 50 veterans and community members gathered in January for the inaugural event. The Hero's Café is a complement to the weekly Veterans One Stop Service Center, open on Tuesday mornings.

Join fellow vets on the last Tuesday of every month from 9 am to 3 pm at 4710 196th St. S.W. Lynnwood, WA 98036

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PUBLIC WORKS CORNER

By Terry Bryant, Public Works Director



Spring is right around the ecorner.

Most of the leaves have been

collected and the tulips and daffodils have begun to grow. You will soon see the crew mowing the rights-of-way and weeding the flowerbeds. Please keep an eye out and give them a brake!

I have been in contact with a tree removal company. There are several dead or dying trees that pose a hazard along the rights-of-way throughout Town. These trees will be removed the spring.

Please join me in congratulating Jarrod Romine and Scott Wynne as they have both just celebrated 5 years of employment with the Town. They are good stewards of



the Town and we are very happy to have them.

Welcome, Sara Graham!

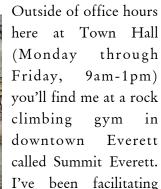
Hello Woodway residents! I'm very excited to serve this beautiful town as the new Deputy Clerk and

Permit Technician!

Before I came to Woodway, I worked for the Cities of Lynnwood and Edmonds Human Resources departments in the past year. Prior to that I also used my human

resources degree in the private sector working for Symetra, an

insurance company in downtown Bellevue.



youth and adult classes on top rope and technical climbing since September but have loved the sport itself for many years now. At least once every other month, when the craving gets strong enough, I'll head off to find great walls to climb outside in the Cascades.

A big thank you to all who have given me a warm welcome to the town! Your efforts so far have made me feel right at home here at Woodway. I had the pleasure of meeting quite a few of you already and look forward to seeing more friendly Woodway faces here at Town Hall.

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2016 BUDGET REPORT

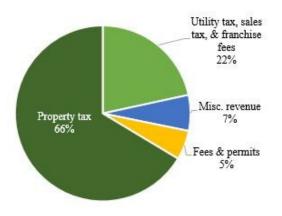
It is a privilege to present to our community a summary of the 2016 Town budget and operations. Details are available at Town Hall upon request. Respectfully submitted, Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

2016 Accomplishments

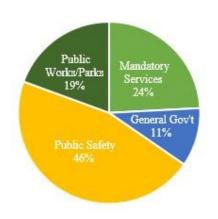
- Annexation of the Upper Bluff (35+ total acres.)
- Street overlays for Eagle Lane and Kulshan Road.
- Purchase and installation of speed monitoring signs that can be moved around to different locations in Town. Vehicle volume, speeds and time of day are recorded.
- Deer Creek Park was created by Public Works staff. Park dedication occurred in April.
- Purchase of a new police vehicle. Old vehicle was surplused and sold.
- Council initiated comprehensive review of all chapters of Woodway's Municipal Code with an emphasis on updating for consistency and relevance.

Summary of Services			
<u>Public Safety</u>	2015	2016	
Woodway police officers	3184 hrs	3104	
Call-outs by Edmonds officers	70	76	
Fire and EMS responses	73	72	
Building Department – Permits Issued			
New Homes	1	3	
Remodels	6	9	
Clearing/Grading	3	8	
Short Plat	1	0	
Environmental Protections	<u> </u>		
Tree Permits	64	59	

Operating Revenues - \$1.59 M



Operating Expenses - \$1.65 M



Total Population:	1335
Zoning	# of
District	Homes
2 acres	129
1 acre	52
1/3 acre	198
1/4 acre	88

Figures include the operating budget only; they do not include stormwater or capital revenue/expenses

Plans for 2017

2017 is likely going to be a quiet year. Services and staffing levels were reduced to align with limited revenues. No road overlay projects are scheduled for 2017. One additional speed monitoring sign will be purchased. The Council will complete the municipal code review and revision.

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NEW WATERFRONT CENTER PLANNED IN EDMONDS

By Farrell Fleming, Executive Director, Edmonds Senior Center

By now you have likely heard the buzz about the planned new Edmonds Waterfront Center being initiated by the Edmonds Senior Center. Will it be just for seniors? Are they going to do something about the beach access? What's the City of Edmonds' role in all this? Can they really pull it off? We have answers to the many swirling questions. For more details and contact info see our website: www.edmondssc.org.

Vision – The design is for a modern 26,000 square feet NW style building that takes full advantage of the rare waterfront location and stunning views. In addition to programs for seniors, the Center will offer dynamic programs,

classes, and activities for all ages including exciting intergenerational opportunities to bring young and old together.

Partnership with the City of Edmonds – Building on a long history together, Edmonds will provide a 55-year ground lease, restore the beach and offer Parks and Recreation classes in the building from 4:00 – 10:00 pm.

Fundraising – We have raised \$5M toward our \$11M goal thanks, in large part, to a \$2M gift from Rick Steves. In keeping with the Edmonds ethic of generosity, Rick has offered a third million if the community can match it. We have \$2.25M pending with the State as well as several grants in the pipeline. If things go as we anticipate and the community lends



their support, we could be approaching \$10M by July toward our total goal of \$11M. If this is achieved we will break ground in spring 2018.

This will be a community treasure serving the people of Edmonds and Woodway as well as communities throughout south Snohomish and north King County with the goal of connecting and enriching our community. Please call the Senior Center at 425-774-5555 to learn more.

Planning Commission Notes

The Planning Commission began 2017 by forwarding their 2016 annual report, which summarized their activity for the year, to the Town Council. They also reviewed the Hearing Examiner's 2016 annual report.

In April, they held a public hearing for a proposed two-lot short plat in the south end of Woodway. The preliminary short plat was approved with conditions.

At the same meeting, Town

Planner Bill Trimm introduced Sara Graham, Woodway's new Deputy Clerk/Permit Technician to the Commissioners. In addition to her other duties, Sara will be the Planning Commission secretary. ISSUE 1, 2017 Page 7

TOWN COUNCIL CORNER

General Government:

- Held a final public hearing on the 2017 budget.
- Adopted Ordinance 16-574:
 Adopting the 2017 Budget.
- Adopted Ordinance 16-575: Amending the 2016 Budget.
- Authorized the Mayor to sign the AWC Workers' Compensation Program agreement.
- Adopted an ordinance amending Woodway's office hours.
- Authorized the Mayor to sign the interlocal agreement with Snohomish Health District relinquishing Woodway's potential claim of ownership in

their office building in Everett

• Held a retreat to discuss various topics, including current issues and long-range planning.

Public Works & Lands:

 Held a discussion of the tree code.

Building & Municipal Services:

Adopted Ordinance 17-578:
 Code updates, including all six chapters that were reviewed and amended in 2016.

Land Use & Planning:

- Adopted Ordinance 17-577: creating an Administrative Variance process.
- Confirmed Bob Allen's

reappointment to the Planning Commission.

Public Safety:

- Chief Matt Cowan presented the 2016 Annual Report from Shoreline Fire Department.
- Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management (DEM) Director Jason Biermann updated the Council on his organization.

REDUCED SERVICES UPDATE

By Carla Nichols, Mayor

The failure of last fall's property tax increase prompted some changes at Town Hall. Staff reductions were made in all departments (including, a Permitting/Clerk position, a Public Works position, and police officer positions). With fewer staff, certain services had to be eliminated or adjusted.

Our overall approach was to make changes without compromising resident safety. The hours for Town Hall were reduced to 9 am until 1 pm. Certain services, such as permit processing and road maintenance will continue, but in a reduced fashion. Permit processing is now limited to Tuesdays for walk-in customers and Wednesdays by appointment. Public works will continue to do routine maintenance of our roads and right of way areas, but not as frequently as in the past. Chipping services

have been eliminated. Management of stormwater and road safety will be their highest priority. There will be fewer police patrols, and police house checks for out-of-town residents have been eliminated.

So far, things are working. We appreciate your patience and support as we strive to balance our workloads as well as remain responsive to residents' requests.



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TOWN INFORMATION

TOWN HALL DIRECTORY:

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Website www.townofwoodway.com Public Works Dept Phone (206) 542-0183

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Police Dept Email police@townofwoodway.com

Permit Email permits@ Mayor Carla A.

Council Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Chair Robert Allen
Planning Commission Meets 1st Wednesda

police@townofwoodway.com permits@townofwoodway.com Carla A. Nichols

1st Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

TOWN HALL STAFF:

Town Administrator Eric A. Faison
Clerk-Treasurer Heidi K. S. Napolitino
Deputy Clerk/Permit Tech Sara Graham

Deputy Clerk/Permit Tech Sara Graham Public Works Director Terrance R. Bryant, Jr.

Public Works Crew Jarrod Romine

Scott Wynne

Town Attorney Greg Rubstello
Building Official/Plan Checker Tom Phillips
Building Inspector Scott Dorrance

Police Chief Doug Hansen
Fire Marshal Todd Malo
Town Planner Bill Trimm
Town Engineer PACE Engineers

Town Hearing Examiner John Galt EMERGENCY 911

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 240th Street S.W. 114th Avenue W. at 239th Place S.W. Willowick Road, north side