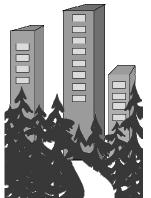
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Woodway Whisper

TOWN OF WOODWAY



Mayor's Message

THE NEW WOODWAY!!

Trees and towers may be our new "look" as we anticipate the proposed development at Point Wells. The landowner, BSRE Point Wells, LLP, has indicated their plans to submit their development application to Snohomish County in early 2011.

Development at Point Wells is Woodway's most important issue and we need our residents to wake up and speak up!! The Council and I strongly endorse a joint community organization of both Woodway and Richmond Beach residents. We are fortunate to have the Save Richmond

Beach group invite us to join their efforts. Both communities will be stronger if a coordinated message is delivered regarding smart, attractive, and appropriately scaled development.

A kick off meeting for both communities has been scheduled for:

Tuesday, December 7th, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at Swannie's on the Alley Sports Club and Eatery at Spin Alley Bowling Lanes. They are located at 1430 N.W. Richmond Beach Road, Shoreline, WA 98177.

It couldn't be easier. Swannie's is on Richmond Beach Road, plenty of parking, dinner specials, and a large room so that both communities can have a chance to meet and plan.

Mark your calendars for this important meeting!

For more information on Save Richmond Beach and to RSVP to this event, please visit their website: http://www.saverichmondbeach.org/

Don't let lack of information be the reason you didn't get involved. Remember, this is your future, your community. Don't let this major issue pass you by.

Carla

IS YOUR FAMILY READY?

We all love the quiet of Woodway but that "quiet" can be a problem if a natural disaster hits our region. Our town does not have a nearby hospital or emergency shelter. In a large-scale emergency, our public safety service providers will be called to other communities where there are larger concentrations of people. The only nearby public buildings available to our residents would be Town Hall and/or Sherwood Elementary School. If the roads are blocked with downed trees and our 911 emergency phone system is overwhelmed, what happens?



As your mayor, I want to help prepare our community so that we have a backup plan. Emergency preparedness booklets, available at Town Hall, will provide you with a step-by-step process to protect your family and your home. Stop by Town hall for your copy. It's a "quality of life" issue.

2010 FAIR: A COMMUNITY SUCCESS

Thanks to the following for all they did to help with the 2010 Woodway Town Fair:

Kelli Terry chaired the fair, organizing the activities and volunteers.

Jan Teal and **Val Rader** organized all of the food preparation and serving.

Annika Karr and **Sherri Knopik** chaired the fourth annual pie contest

QFC at Westgate donated food and beverages for the barbeque.

PCC Natural Markets of Edmonds donated ice for the barbeque.

Nama's Candy Store of Edmonds donated chocolate coins and gift certificates for the Hay Treasure Hunt activity.

Alan Rickert and **Top Ten Toys** donated toys for the fish pond.

The Wooden Spoon of Edmonds donated a prize for the pie contest.

Five Restaurant | Bistro of Edmonds donated prizes for the pie contest and raffle.

Winn Schillberg, Vivian Brehm, and Steve Forney, helped with set-up and worked wherever there was a need. All three were indispensable.

A special thank you to **PACE Engineers, Landau & Associates,** and **Frontier Communications** for their much appreciated monetary donations.

Our **student volunteers** did a great job staffing all of the children's activities.

The wonderful homemade cookies were prepared by Woodway residents.

Behind the scenes, but so important, were our **Public Works staff** who erected tents and helped with all aspects of set up: Terry Bryant, Bryan Thomas, and Mike Sears.

This is a long list of participants/volunteers and my apologies if I have missed someone. As one reads all of these names, it's clear that our fair is truly a *Community* fair; we all share in the work and the fun.

A NOTE FROM CHIEF HANSEN

What are we doing to address traffic safety and speeding? Recently, the Town installed signs at the entrances to the Town that say, "Speed Laws Strictly Enforced." These signs are a message to drivers entering the Town to know that we are serious about enforcing our speed laws. We do not mind having the Town listed on SpeedTrap.Org!

The Town has also invested in speed measuring devices that give us an accurate measurement of vehicle speeds, the number of vehicles using our roadways, and the time of day that drivers are most active. As your police chief, this information allows me to deploy officers to the areas that show the highest number of speeders and stop sign running.

We have completed a study on three areas of Woodway Park Road, conducted over twenty one days in seven day increments. During that time, there were 28,195 vehicle trips recorded. The results tell us that 83% of the speeds

recorded during the survey were less than 30 miles per hour. These results are very good, considering that this is our main thoroughfare through the Town.

What do we do with the other 17% to 25% of the drivers who fail to observe our posted speed limits? We issue verbal warnings, notices of infraction, criminal citations, and the occasional trip to jail. Traffic enforcement in the Town is one of our primary concerns.

I am happy to report that our residents are very aware of the posted speed limits. Fewer than 5% of the tickets we issued this year were to Woodway residents.

Remember, if you see someone speeding or driving in an erratic manner please call 911 with a description of the vehicle (color, make, and model if known), license number, and direction of travel.

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2011 BUDGET

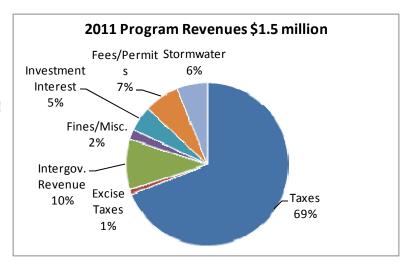
The budget has been presented to the Council and a public hearing is scheduled for the November 15 Council meeting. Here are the highlights:

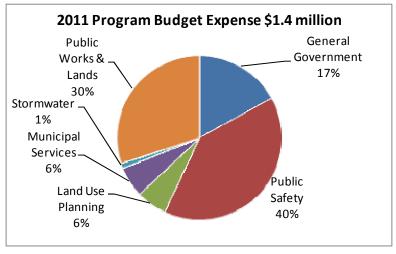
The budget is a "stay the course" plan. No road overlays or capital projects are scheduled. No new equipment or staff.

Proposed Revenue: \$1.5M, which is approximately \$85,000 less than 2010. Reduced building permit fees, investment income, and a reduced state grant explain the loss of revenue from one year to the next.

Proposed Operating Expenditures: \$1.4M, which is \$86,000 more than 2010. The increase will fund additional costs for fire services, upgrades for the police department radio/computer equipment, and our community's proportional cost for the enhanced countywide emergency phone/alert system. We have to fund these items; they are not discretionary.

The \$1.4M does include \$27,000 for discretionary items, which include small tools for the Public Works crew, additional garbage cans, low level lights for the bridge, and proposals for





employee compensation. If the Council approves the optional \$27,000, the total expenditures will still provide a surplus of funds over projected revenues.

If you would like a copy of the budget, please contact Town Hall and attend the public hearing on November 15.

CENSUS PARTICIPATION

Thank you, Woodway residents, for being such engaged citizens! The Census Bureau released participation numbers, and Woodway is well above average for the number of responses received.

Woodway return rate: 86%!

National return rate: 74%
Washington State return rate: 76%
Snohomish County return rate: 77%

WANTED: OLD, WEATHERED WOOD

The children of Woodway and Dr. John Bush need wood material for next year's Town Fair building project. If you have an old fence and/or are dismantling a wood building that we could use, please call Town Hall.

COMMUNITY FAIR 2010



Thank you, Kelli, our fearless Fair Chair!



Val and Jan, our Food Chairs, hard at work.



Mayor Carla leads the bike parade.

This was my first year organizing the children's activities and what a fun time I had doing it. Once again, we had great volunteers of all ages to help pull it off. I am looking forward to next year's event and seeing you all there. Sincerely, Kelli Terry



Congrats to Murph Morrill on her tasty winning pie.



Thanks,
Public
Works,
for all
you did.

Our pie contest judges.



















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A NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

So many people remark about how beautiful our community and its streets are. How fortunate we are to live in such a park-like setting. That didn't happen by accident. We have had a group of dedicated volunteers who have served on the Town's Beautification Committee for many years. A heartfelt thank you to the following individuals who have recently retired from the Committee: Elaine Jorgensen, Chair; Willa Trask; and Timm Leighton. We would also like to recognize Margie Malinowski, who has been a steadfast

committee member for years, and has graciously agreed to continue.

Are there others of you who would like to join Margie and to work with the Town's mayor and Public Works staff? We want to continue to maintain and develop our beautiful public gardens and roadside areas but we need help and ideas. If you are interested, please call Town Hall or email townhall@townofwoodway.com.

TOWN COUNCIL CORNER

General Government: Discussed the noise ordinance in relation to animal noises; decided to enforce current regulations in lieu of enacting a new ordinance. Heard a presentation on the merger of Stevens Hospital and Swedish Hospital. Heard a presentation by GGLO Architects on the general observations of Town Hall's condition and reviewed a prioritized list of repair/maintenance needs. Heard a presentation on a proposed Interjurisdictional Housing Program sponsored by Snohomish County Tomorrow. Reviewed and discussed the preliminary 2011 budget.

<u>Public Works & Lands:</u> Approved Resolution #10-360, adopting the Six-Year street plan. Adopted the proposed Operating Policies for the Woodway Reserve for a trial opening period. Declared August 14, 2010 as Woodway Arbor Day. Accepted resignation of Elaine Jorgensen as

chair of the beautification committee.

<u>Land Use & Planning:</u> Heard public comments on the future of the Point Wells property and Woodway's potential litigation to appeal the zoning designation. Confirmed the Mayor's appointment of John Zevenbergen, Jr. as a Planning Commissioner.

<u>Public Safety:</u> Authorized the Mayor to sign an amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Southwest Snohomish County Public Safety Communications Agency to add Fire District 1 as a voting member. Directed staff to negotiate a Fire/EMS contract with Fire District 1.

Building & Municipal Services: Adopted the Interlocal Agreement for Cross Connection Control between Olympic View Water District and the Town of Woodway.

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE

The Planning Commission continues to work on the Shoreline Master Program update.

We welcome John Zevenbergen as a new Planning Commissioner!

Also, we are sadly saying goodbye to our Chair, Jim Wilmer.

Thank you, Jim, for your years of service and your engagement in Woodway's government.

If you are interested in applying for the vacant Planning Commission position, please contact Town Hall by December 15, 2010.

CALLING
WOODWAY
ARTISTS

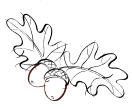
If you are a working painter, potter, sculptor, weaver, jeweler, or printmaker living in Woodway and would be interested in opening your studio to the public for a studio tour similar to the one held in Edmonds each autumn, please contact Chris at 2cantu@comcast.net. We will explore the possibilities.



Woodway

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Mayor Carla A. Nichols

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

Planning Commission Chair Robert Allen

Planning Commission meets First Wed. of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Police Chief

Town Hall Staff:

Clerk Treasurer

Public Works Director

Plan Checker/Bldg Official

Public Works Crew

Building Inspector

Town Attorney

Deputy Clerk/Permit Technician

Town Administrator Eric A. Faison

Joyce Bielefeld

Wayne Tanaka

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Doug Hansen

Tom Phillips

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Bryan Thomas, Mike Sears

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EMERGENCY 911

Town Council Members:

Bill Anderson, Elizabeth Mitchell, Mike Quinn, Kent Saltonstall, Tom Whitson

Locations of the Town Bulletin Boards:

Town Hall Front Porch Woodway Park Road at Algonquin Chinook Road at 217th Bella Coola west of Makah

Timberlane at 239th 114th West at 239th Willowick Road, north side