

**TOWN OF WOODWAY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

Woodway Town Hall | 23920 113th Place W. | Woodway, WA

Members Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor Mike Quinn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Rajeev Thakur
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Elizabeth Mitchell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Jim Willett
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Councilmember John Brock	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant Council Position #3
Staff & Guests Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town Administrator Eric Faison*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clerk-Treasurer Heidi Napolitano
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Works Director Terry Bryant*	<input type="checkbox"/> Town Engineer John Forba
	<input type="checkbox"/> Police Chief Jason Valentine	<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Chief Matt Cowan
	<input type="checkbox"/> Town Planner Bill Trimm	<input type="checkbox"/> Town Attorney Greg Rubstello

*Attended virtually

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Quinn called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steven Keeler, Edmonds resident, commented on student test scores in the Edmonds School District.

I - PUBLIC HEARING: INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SNOHOMISH COUNTY, THE CITY OF SHORELINE, AND OLYMPIC VIEW WATER & SEWER DISTRICT, RELATING TO ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN OF POINT WELLS PURSUANT TO RCW 35A.14.296

Mayor Quinn opened the public hearing at 6:08 pm.

Town Administrator Faison shared a presentation on the ILA, including background information on Point Wells. He reviewed Woodway's history of planning for the site, various lawsuits related to the site, and zoning history for the site. Mr. Faison also shared information about several legal, planning, and financial topics.

The following people commented:

- Bill Krepick
- Ron Cantu
- Kevin Fagerstrom
- Lynda Tripp

- Buck Jorgensen
- Steve Gunn
- Tom Whitson
- Robert Pantley
- Carla Nichols

The following topics were discussed:

- Public communication about Point Wells.
- Arguments for and against the Interlocal Agreement and possible annexation.
- Potential litigation.
- Secondary access to Point Wells.
- The possibility of more voters living at a potential development than in the current boundary of Woodway.
- Whether the Council should wait to vote until the vacant position is filled.
- Environmental concerns about Point Wells.
- Control of potential development.

Council asked several questions of staff and consultants including:

- Tom McCormick's written comments about environmental concerns.
- Possible uses of the Point Wells site.
- Estimated site cleanup costs.
- When would a secondary access road be required.
- The risk of possible litigation related to Point Wells and how Woodway would pay for any possible litigation.

Mayor Quinn closed the public hearing at 7:26 pm.

II - RESOLUTION 2023-453: APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SNOHOMISH COUNTY, THE CITY OF SHORELINE, AND OLYMPIC VIEW WATER & SEWER DISTRICT, RELATING TO ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN OF POINT WELLS PURSUANT TO RCW 35A.14.296

The Council briefly discussed the pros and cons of waiting for the vacant council position to be filled before voting on the resolution.

ACTION:

Councilmember Brock moved to authorize the Mayor to Sign an Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County, the City of Shoreline, and Olympic View Water & Sewer District, Relating to Annexation by the Town of Point Wells Pursuant to RCW 35A.14.296. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-1 with Councilmember Willett voting against.

III - RESOLUTION 2023-454: FORMALLY EXPRESSING ITS INTENT, PURSUANT TO RCW 35A.14.296, TO ANNEX TERRITORY LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE CURRENT TOWN LIMITS AND WITHIN ITS MUNICIPAL URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARY, AND DIRECTING THAT A NOTICE OF INTENT BE FILED WITH THE WASHINGTON STATE BOUNDARY REVIEW BOARD FOR SNOHOMISH COUNTY

ACTION:

Councilmember Mitchell moved to formally express the Town's intent, pursuant to RCW 35A.14.296, to annex territory located adjacent to the current Town Limits and within its municipal urban growth boundary, and direct that a notice of intent be filed with the Washington State Boundary Review Board for Snohomish County. *Councilmember Brock* seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-1 with Councilmember Willett voting against.

IV - APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS – OCTOBER 2, 2023 CLAIMS

Councilmember Willett moved to approve the October 2, 2023 claims checks #14309 through 14323 and EFTs #1334 through 1337 totaling \$20,417.45. *Councilmember Thakur* seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV - APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS – SEPTEMBER 2023 PAYROLL

Councilmember Thakur moved to approve the September 2023 payroll EFT transactions #1296 through 1316 and 1321 through 1325 totaling \$70,098.78. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V - COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Brock attended several recent meetings including AHA and Snohomish County Tomorrow.

Councilmember Mitchell also attended the AHA meeting and requested that staff share information presented at the meeting.

VI - MAYOR'S REPORT

- The Whisper was recently mailed out to residents.

VII - TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Shared that Collin Harlow was promoted to Public Works Crew Lead. His former position was posted and would be filled in the near future.
- Clerk-Treasurer Napolitino shared that the Request for Proposals for banking services was open through that Thursday and outlined the decision process.

VIII - PUBLIC HEARING: 2024 REVENUE SOURCES

Mayor Quinn opened the public hearing at 7:40 pm.

Mayor Quinn presented the 2024 revenue sources including property tax, Real Estate Excise Tax (REET), and sales tax. Clerk-Treasurer Napolitino reviewed details of the revenues in the 2024 preliminary budget including the 1% property tax increase cap, the end of federal revenue

received during the COVID-19 pandemic, and the end of temporarily allowed REET fund transfers for maintenance and operations.

No member of the public present had comments.

Mayor Quinn closed the public hearing at 7:53.

IX - PUBLIC HEARING: 2024 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Mayor Quinn opened the public hearing at 7:54 pm.

Mayor Quinn shared the memo in the meeting packet which outlines the difference between mandatory, essential, and discretionary expenses and highlighted expense changes for 2024, including mandatory increases in contract and insurance costs and recommended staff salary/benefit increases. Clerk-Treasurer Napolitano and Town Administrator Faison reviewed the Town's budget calendar, the financial forecast, and details of the 2024 preliminary budget expenses. Discussion included the Town's reserve policy, staffing levels, and the need to create a communication strategy around a possible levy to increase property tax.

Bill Krepick commented on the written comments he submitted.

Mayor Quinn closed the public hearing at 7:28.

X - RATIFY AND CONFIRM EXECUTION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN SNOHOMISH COUNTY AND ITS CITIES AND TOWNS REGARDING SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Public Works Director Bryant reviewed the Interlocal Agreement.

ACTION:

Councilmember Mitchell moved to ratify and confirm execution of the Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and its cities and towns regarding solid waste management. *Councilmember Willett* seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSION – CHOICE OF SUBJECTS

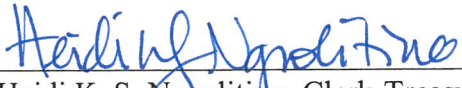
Council discussed the ILA approved during the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Brock moved to adjourn the meeting. *Councilmember Thakur* seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL



Heidi K. S. Napolitano, Clerk-Treasurer



Michael S. Quinn, Mayor

(These minutes accurately reflect what was said at the Council Meeting. Publication does not vouch for the veracity of these statements.)