

TOWN OF WOODWAY

MAYOR'S MESSAGES

HEADS UP WOODWAY!

Our community's future is a subject constantly on the minds of your elected council members and mayor. Soon, you will receive a letter outlining the financial challenges the Town faces as it

plans for the future. The size of this newsletter does not allow for a thorough analysis of the topic, so watch for details in my upcoming letter. Over the next few months, every resident will have an

opportunity to participate in this problem solving process. We will share information and lead discussions so that, collectively, we can develop a plan for Woodway.

WOODWAY READY!

This is a new project for our community and it is geared to help families be prepared in the event of a natural disaster. We're doing this because we want to be ready when "the big one" hits the area. There have been various media articles predicting the eventual arrival of a significant earthquake in the Puget Sound area.

Woodway will be ready thanks to

volunteers in ten different "mini-neighborhoods" who have agreed to coordinate their neighbors in the event of a natural disaster. These coordinators will be attending seminars to get the latest information on what individual families will need for survival, as well as what our community as a whole can do until the arrival of first responders.

The Coordinators will be attending two workshops during March and April and will then organize small meet and greet sessions with their neighbors to pass along emergency preparedness information. Watch for your invitation. Our goal is to have each of our "mini neighborhoods" mapped for special needs and identification of resources by early summer.

DEER CREEK PARK TRAIL DEDICATION

Woodway has a new walking trail and I am inviting you to celebrate its official opening. The lower trail of Deer Creek Park is a meandering soft surface trail that connects Woodway Park Road with S. Deer Drive and Wachusett Road. Residents have already discovered it and have described it

as "a walk in the mountains," a "beautiful space," and a "destination to walk with my dog."

Come see for yourself and help celebrate Earth Day on Saturday, April 23. A brief dedication ceremony will start at 10:00 a.m. Gather at the parking lot on the southeast side of the bridge.



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TOUGH LOVE - HOW TO KEEP COYOTES WILD

By Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

So where are you on the animal lovers' continuum? Are you sympathetic and want to feed certain critters? Do you figure that it's tough out there in the wild and animals need our help? Or do you feel you should just leave them alone, let nature work it out? This dilemma has a special impact on our resident coyote population.

We each approach this issue differently. Many residents who love animals want to help coyotes, which they believe means feeding the coyotes. In reality, that compassion is the last thing they need. When coyotes see humans as a source for food, they begin to approach humans rather than leave them alone. This approach behavior can be very threatening, especially for those out walking their dog or their children and who come face to face with a coyote.

As a community, we need to get organized on how we are dealing with our resident coyotes. We have learned from professionals with the United States Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) that our coyotes are getting mixed messages. The most humane and compassionate approach is to not feed them, directly or indirectly. This means not leaving pet food outdoors; not

feeding squirrels, raccoons, etc.; and not leaving domestic animals outside because they become targets for the coyotes.

The next step is to make the coyotes uncomfortable when in the presence of humans. Making loud noises (even using a small air horn), throwing rocks, etc., will do the trick. This is an important point: coyotes can be retrained to not approach humans if they are exposed to enough examples of negative encounters.

Incidents where a resident scares off a coyote are reinforced by neighbors doing the same things. Negative experiences add up; it doesn't take long for the coyote to start avoiding particular areas.

Town officials receive many complaints about coyotes. We can't do much about it unless we have a strategy and, most importantly, that ALL RESIDENTS carry out that strategy by following these three simple steps:

1. Don't feed them, directly or indirectly
2. If you see them, yell at them or use an air horn
3. If you observe repeated examples of approach behavior, report it to Town Hall.

Andy Cleland, USDA Wildlife Specialist, made a presentation to the Council and citizens in January. He reiterated the importance of keeping wildlife wild and wanted to share the following hard truths:

"A fed coyote is a dead coyote. Feeding coyotes usually results in loss of fear of humans. If the steps you outlined aren't followed, it is highly likely that two things are going to happen:

1. The coyotes will lose their fear of humans to the point where they are a danger to human health and safety. Bottom line, people may be bitten.
2. Because people are afraid of the coyotes, either before or after someone has been bitten, they find a way for the coyote to be killed because relocation isn't legal or humane.

"Reminding citizens that they are creating a dangerous situation for humans often doesn't work, but when they find out that the coyote will likely be killed because of their behavior they are willing to change how they interact with coyotes."

Let's get organized. Tough love can work!!

2015 BUDGET REPORT

It is a privilege to present to our community a summary of the 2015 Town budget and operations. Details are available at Town Hall upon request. Respectfully submitted, Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

2015 Accomplishments

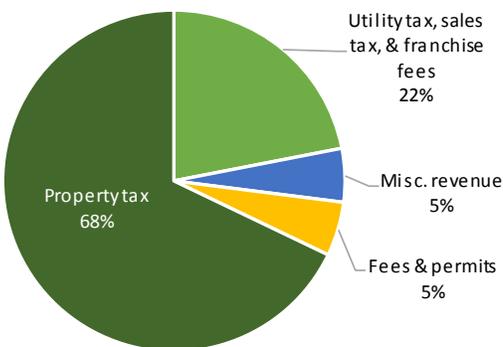
Land use planning kept us busy in 2015. The Planning Commission and Council completed & approved the required Comprehensive Plan update. The Council approved revised zoning and an Annexation & Development agreement for the Upper Bluff.

Other items of note: we received a “clean” audit review from State of Washington, signed an Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for Emergency Management services, appointed Tom Howard to the Town Council, and appointed Andrew DeDonker to the Planning Commission.

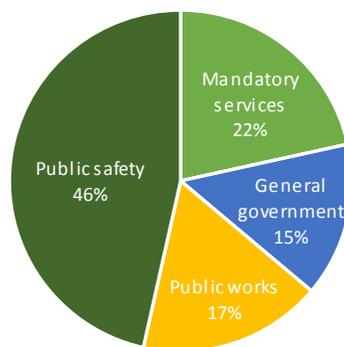
The Town completed two major capital projects in 2016: an asphalt overlay was installed on Nootka Road and we purchased a new police vehicle.

| <i>Summary of Services</i> | | |
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| <u>Public Safety</u> | 2014 | 2015 |
| Woodway police officers | 3380 hrs | 3184 hrs |
| Call-outs by Edmonds officers | 103 | 70 |
| Fire and EMS responses | 55 | 73 |
| <u>Building Department – Permits Issued</u> | | |
| New Homes | 2 | 1 |
| Remodels | 17 | 6 |
| Clearing/Grading | 3 | 3 |
| Short Plat | 0 | 1 |
| <u>Environmental Protections</u> | | |
| Tree Permits | 12 | 64 |

Operating Revenues: \$1.56 M



Operating Expenses: \$1.59 M



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|------------------------|-------------------|
| Total Population: | 1335 |
| <i>Zoning District</i> | <i># of Homes</i> |
| 2 acres | 127 |
| 1 acre | 51 |
| 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 2016

2016 will be a busy year as we train neighborhood coordinators to respond to natural disasters, publish a book highlighting Woodway gardens and public spaces, and sponsor our annual Community Fair on August 20, 2016. Public Works has a full year ahead as well. In addition to their regular duties keeping Woodway clean and beautiful, they have already done much work on the Deer Creek Park lower trail. They will also be coordinating overlays on Eagle Lane & Kulshan Road; if oil prices remain low, they will schedule additional overlays.

UPPER BLUFF AND POINT WELLS UPDATE

By Eric Faison, Town Administrator

As of the date of this article, the status of the proposed development application for the Upper Bluff has not changed. We have not yet received a complete application from the property owner.

That fact, however, has not stopped our progress on our efforts to annex the property. Last month, the Town Council accepted an annexation petition signed by the Upper Bluff owner and Council passed a resolution directing staff to submit the proposed annexation to the Snohomish County Boundary Review Board. State law requires approval by the Boundary Review Board before an annexation can be completed.

Council also approved an agreement with Snohomish County that would govern the transition following an annexation by the Town. While State law does not

require an agreement with the County, the agreement is necessary to avoid a lengthy challenge to the annexation by the County. We hope to have approval of the agreement by the County Council in May and the Boundary Review Board process completed by July.

With regard to Point Wells, the County is making steady progress in its review of the proposed development. But there is not a lot of new substantive information to report. We know that the County has asked the owner of Point Wells (BSRE) to address discrepancies on their application related to the amount of parking proposed – the amount of parking shown on the application is substantially less than required under the County’s code. As relates to Woodway, we also know that the County has asked BSRE for clarification on how they intend to address the County’s secondary access requirement and the Town’s level of service standard, which restricts vehicle

trips on the Town’s segment of Richmond Beach Drive to no more than 273 trips per hour.

The County expects to have a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) completed in early summer. The release of the draft will be followed by a 45-day formal comment period and a public meeting. The County is required to respond to submitted comments in the final EIS.

The County’s Point Wells project lead, Ryan Countryman, will provide additional information on May 2. The County also has a project website for Point Wells, where you can find additional information (<http://snohomishcountywa.gov/1511/Point-Wells>).

If you have any questions on the issues related to the Upper Bluff or Point Wells, please feel free to contact me at (206) 542-4443.

The Town is hosting a brief presentation and Q&A on the Point Wells development proposal and environmental impact statement process. The meeting will be led by Snohomish County staff on May 2nd from 6-7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

Please RSVP to Town Hall by May 1.

REMEMBRANCES

Clifford A. Barlament was born on Sept. 22, 1917 and passed away on July 12, 2015 at age 97. He married Nora Nielsen in 1937, and moved to Woodway. Cliff, a U.S. army WWII veteran, was active in the community and was the owner of Barlament & Son Trucking.

Between 1960 and 1993, Cliff served as a Woodway Town Councilmember for 10 years and as Woodway's mayor for 8 years. He loved a good challenge, of which there were several during his time in office.

Cliff and his wife Nora also loved square dancing and getting all dressed up in their square dancing regalia.

Cliff leaves behind children, grandchildren, family, and friends who celebrate his life.



Glenn Johnstone was born on October 21, 1930 in Seattle. Glenn was a gifted athlete, enjoying and excelling at many sports throughout his lifetime.



In 1984, Glenn met his wife Peggy; they enjoyed 30 years of marriage and life in Woodway. A lifelong "bread man", Glenn retired from Langendorf Bakery after 37 years of service.

He loved welcoming his family and friends to their cabin in Ione, WA, volunteering with his church, and spending as much time as possible with his seven children, eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and countless other family members and life-long friends.

Glenn will always be remembered for his warm smile, courteous gestures and welcoming handshake, never forgetting your name.

Sister Barbara Ann Stanek died on September 4, 2015 at the Dominican Life Center in Adrian, Michigan. She was 76 years of age and in the 60th year of her religious profession in the Adrian Dominican Congregation.

Sister Barbara spent 38 years ministering in elementary education before moving to Rosary Heights in Woodway for five years.

She was very happy in her years at Rosary Heights and with the community in Woodway! Her passion, leadership skills, and sense



of humor were an unbeatable combination for the running of the retreat center. Her later ministry at Siena Heights

University bore much fruit because of her powerful connection with both students and faculty. Many students were at her wake and funeral, where a student gave a moving eulogy.

Save the Date for this year's Woodway Town Fair:

AUGUST 20, 2016

In addition to our traditional entertainment and BBQ lunch, family music band

RECESS MONKEY will be making a special appearance!

PUBLIC WORKS NEWS By Terrance Bryant, Public Works Director

WORK ZONE SAFETY

Work zones are there when workers are improving road conditions and maintaining the beautification of the Town's Rights-of-Way. In the work zone, drivers will typically see cones, barrels, barriers, signs, pavement markings and work trucks. Follow the work zone signs and other directions to get safely through.



GIVE 'EM A BRAKE

With winter behind us and spring here, your Public Works crew will be out mowing, line trimming, and weeding in the rights-of-way. The Public Works Crew is working to improve your roads and rights-of-way work just feet from live traffic and from inattentive drivers. Just because you do not see the workers immediately after you see the warning sign does not mean they are not out there.

DO NOT PLACE ANY BRANCHES IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY WITHOUT SCHEDULING A CHIPPING SERVICE FIRST.

CHIPPING

The Town of Woodway offers chipping service at a rate of \$100 per hour, charged in half hour increments. Public Works chips on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of every month. To assist the chipping crew and to provide for fast service, please place all branches with the cut ends in the same direction. Place the pile in an easily accessible place, as the GMC and chipper are large pieces of equipment.

Call (206) 542-0183 or email publicworks@townofwoodway.com to schedule your chipping.

PLANNING COMMISSION NOTES

By Austen Wilcox, Planning Commission Secretary

The Planning Commission welcomed newly appointed Commissioner, Lisa Marquart, in January. Lisa has a long history with Woodway, having grown up in the same home that she is currently raising a family in.

Additionally, Commissioners Andrew DeDonker and Jan Ostlund were reappointed in January 2016.

The Commission reviewed the Preliminary Plat Review Procedures in November 2015 related to the submittal of a plat for an upper bluff neighborhood. The Town Planner also noted where the Commission will be involved in conducting a public hearing and forwarding a recommendation on to the Town Council for consideration.

After years of effort by the Planning Commission and Council, the Puget Sound Regional

Council's Executive Board acted on December 3, 2015 to certify Woodway's Comprehensive Plan. This action, recognizes that the transportation-related provisions of the plan meet certification requirements, including conformity with Growth Management Act requirements for transportation planning and consistency with the multicounty planning policies in VISION 2040 and the region's long range transportation plan, Transportation 2040.

TOWN COUNCIL CORNER

General Government:

- Reviewed fee schedule amendments.
- Reviewed the 2nd & 3rd quarter 2015 financial reports.
- Authorized the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement participating in the Water Resource Inventory Area 8 (WRIA 8).
- Received a painting of town founder, David Whitcomb, Sr.
- Held two public hearings on the proposed 2016 budget.
- Heard a presentation by Edmonds School Superintendent Nick Brossoit.
- Adopted Resolution 15-381, increasing the property tax by 1% for 2016.
- Adopted Ordinance 15-569, amending the salary schedule.
- Adopted Ordinance 15-570, adopting the 2016 budget.
- Adopted Ordinance 15-571, amending the 2015 budget.
- Elected Bill Anderson as Mayor Pro Tem.

- Conducted an exit interview with the WA State Auditor's review team.

- Heard a presentation on living with wildlife by Andy Cleland, USDA.

Public Works & Lands:

- Heard a presentation by Cass Turnbull, certified arborist, on tree care.
- Held a public hearing on and approved Resolution 15-380, Six-Year Street Plan, 2016-2021.
- Adopted the Debris Management Plan as required by FEMA.

Land Use & Planning:

- Held a public hearing on the annexation and development agreement between the owner of the Upper Bluff and the Town of Woodway.
- Adopted Ordinance 15-566, authorizing the Mayor to sign the annexation and development agreement.
- Held two public hearings on changes to the UR zone district, applicable to the Upper Bluff.
- Approved Ordinance 15-567,

related to pre-annexation zoning in the town's Municipal Urban Growth Area (MUGA).

- Adopted Ordinance 15-568, amending WMC Section 14.32.040 and amending the Bulk regulations section of the R-14.5 Residence Zone.
- Held two public hearings on the potential annexation of the Upper Bluff.
- Accepted the petition for annexation by approving Resolution 16-382: Notice of Intent to Boundary Review Board.
- Adopted Resolution 16-383: Interlocal Annexation Agreement with Snohomish County.

Public Safety:

- Authorized the Mayor to sign the Snohomish County Emergency Management Services Interlocal Agreement.
- Approved the interlocal agreement with Mountlake Terrace for police evidence storage and authorized the mayor to sign it.

HELP US KEEP WOODWAY BEAUTIFUL!
If you park in the right-of-way during the rainy season,
please use care when driving away - it is easy to leave ruts.



TOWN OF WOODWAY

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Woodway, WA 98020

SPRING 2016 NEWSLETTER



SAVE THE DATE!
OUR ANNUAL TOWN FAIR
WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 20

TOWN INFORMATION

TOWN HALL DIRECTORY:

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| Class | Code City |
| County | Snohomish |
| Population | 1307 |
| Business Hours | 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1-4:00 p.m. |
| Town Hall Phone | 206.542.4443 |
| Town Hall Fax | 206.546.9453 |
| Town Hall Email | townhall@townofwoodway.com |
| Website | www.townofwoodway.com |
| Public Works Dept Phone | 206.542.0183 |
| Public Works Dept Email | publicworks@townofwoodway.com |
| Police Dept Email | police@townofwoodway.com |
| Permit Email | permits@townofwoodway.com |
| Mayor | Carla A. Nichols |
| Council Meets | 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m. |
| Planning Commission Chair | Robert Allen |
| Planning Commission Meets | 1st Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. |

TOWN HALL STAFF:

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| Town Administrator | Eric A. Faison |
| Clerk Treasurer | Joyce Bielefeld |
| Deputy Clerk/Permit Technician | Heidi K. S. Napolitano |
| Admin Asst/Permit Coordinator | Austen Wilcox |
| Public Works Director | Terrance R. Bryant, Jr. |
| Public Works Crew | Jarrold Romine Scott Wynne |
| Town Attorney | Wayne Tanaka |
| 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