

**Town of Coupeville  
 Joint Workshop with Town Council and Island County Commissioners  
 Tuesday, May 12, 2009  
 5:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Nancy Conard, Councilmembers Dianne Binder, Bob Clay, Molly Hughes and Jim Phay.

Island County Commissioners: John Dean, Helen Price-Johnson and Angie Homola.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Town Planner Larry Kwarsick, Fiscal Clerk Laurel Wilsey

**JOINT WORKSHOP WITH ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**Discussion of Design Review Guidelines Process**

Larry Kwarsick provided a draft agreement to the Councilmembers and Island County Commissioners outlining the concepts proposed for procedures regulating development within Ebey’s Landing National Historic Reserve. Discussion concerned the establishment of a multi-tiered review and approval process, establishment of a Reserve Committee consisting of the County Planning Director, Town Planner and Reserve Manager and the establishment of the Ebey’s Reserve Historic Preservation Commission and their respective responsibilities/duties. Also discussed were the financial support, fees and budget, as well as, an appeal process.

Mayor Conard asked for a consensus of the Commissioners and Councilmembers on the following issues: as to a single, joint commission replacing the HRC and DRB—all members present were in favor; as to the multi-tiered review and approval process-discussion followed and the majority were in agreement with the concept; as to the appeal process-with much discussion, the consensus was a draw with the idea since the County typically uses a Hearing Examiner and the Town does not. There was general support for a unified process; and as to the committee figuration there was considerable discussion on how many should be on the committee and who has the power to vote and/or make decisions on the applications presented to them. Mayor Conard wanted to see an equal number from Island County and the Town of Coupeville to serve on the committee. There was some concern about the liability, in case of appeal, of the Trust Board. All agreed legal review was necessary before committing to the committee structure.

**ADJOURNMENT OF JOINT WORKSHOP – 6:25 p.m.**



**Regular Council Meeting  
 Tuesday, May 12, 2009  
 6:35 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Nancy Conard, Councilmembers Dianne Binder, Bob Clay, and Jim Phay. Councilmember Molly Hughes had to leave to attend a Trust Board meeting; Councilmember Ann Dannhauer was on vacation.

**Council Action:** A motion was made by Councilmember Binder, second by Councilmember Phay, to excuse Councilmembers Hughes and Dannhauer. The motion passed 3-0.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Public Works Director Malcolm Bishop, Town Planner Larry Kwarsick, Marshal David Penrod and Fiscal Clerk Laurel Wilsey.

The regular meeting convened at 6:35 pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Clay asked to revise the agenda to talk about the field trip he went on Saturday, May 9, 2009 to Wild Horse Ridge Wind Farm in Ellensburg.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Binder, second by Councilmember Phay, to approve the agenda with the inclusion of Councilmember Clay's report. Motion passed 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28, 2009 and the Workshop of April 3, 2009 were approved, as submitted.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

- Mayor Conard noted that yesterday, May 11, 2009, was the last day to appeal the Shoreline Master Program. There were no appeals.
- She reminded Council that the Penn Cove Water Festival is Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> and the Town is hosting the dinner for the participants and everyone should meet at the Park at 4:00 PM.

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

Frank Tippets, 206 S. Main Street, spoke concerning the Coupeville recycling program and that he was in favor of it. Mr. Tippets distributed copies of a handout on the City of Oak Harbor's Garbage and Recyclables program, to the Councilmembers and Mayor. He stated that Oak Harbor owns their trucks and maybe Coupeville might want to consider the same system as Oak Harbor. Mayor Conard asked Mr. Tippets if garbage and recycling was mandatory in Oak Harbor and he responded, yes.

**NEW BUSINESS****Approve Boundary Line Adjustment (BLA) 09-01 between the Town of Coupeville and Sno-Isle Library.**

Mayor Conard reviewed the staff report stating that the expansion of the current library building consists of a 3,200 square foot addition. The staff recommends approval of BLA 09-01 and authorizes the Mayor to sign and record the document. Councilmember Binder asked if there were any comments received on BLA 09-01. Mayor Conard stated that there were no comments received.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Clay, second by Councilmember Binder, to authorize Mayor Conard to sign and record BLA 09-01 between the Town of Coupeville and Sno-Isle Library. The motion passed 3-0.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councilmember Clay gave a brief report on the May 9<sup>th</sup> PSE (Puget Sound Energy) field trip to Wild Horse Ridge Wind Farm in Ellensburg, Washington. Thirty-five people attended an all-day field trip to the wind farm. The PSE engineers explained how the turbines worked. The Wild Horse Ridge Wind Farm sits on 9,000 acres and there are, at this time, 127-turbines. Each turbine requires a ½ mile to a mile between each turbine. When there is no wind to turn the turbines, there are solar arrays to operate the turbines. Councilmember Phay asked about the shelf life of a turbine and Councilmember Clay responded about 20-25 years.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

MAYOR:

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Laurel Wilsey, Fiscal Clerk

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Nancy Conard, Mayor