



UTILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2018  
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM  
CITY HALL  
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM  
280 MADISON AVENUE NORTH  
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

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## AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / ACCEPT OR MODIFY AGENDA /  
CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE  
5:00 PM

CO- CHAIR: ANDY MARON

CO- CHAIR: JEFF KANTER

MEMBERS: CHARLES AVERILL      NANCY NOLAN  
                 STEVE JOHNSON      EMILY SATO  
                 TED JONES

LIAISON: RASHAM NASSAR

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MEETING NOTES – JULY 11, 2018
3. PUBLIC COMMENT – 5 MIN.
4. RATE STRUCTURE (ELLEN) – 80 MIN.
5. PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE – 15 MIN.
6. INTERNET/CELL STUDY DISCUSSION – 15 MIN.
7. ANNUAL ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR – 5 MIN.
8. COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER
9. ADJOURNMENT  
7:00 PM

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## Minutes

Call to Order / Roll Call / Accept or Modify Agenda / Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Present:

Chair: Andy Maron

Vice Chair: Jeff Kanter

Members: Emily Sato, Ted Jones, Nancy Nolan, Steve Johnson, Charles Averill

Council Rep: Rasham Nassar

Staff Rep: Barry Loveless

Acceptance of Minutes: Unanimously Approved

Public Comment: Amy Tousley, Puget Sound Energy

- Ad in *The Islander* about tree trimming is a requirement of the Memorandum of Understanding with COBI.
- On 5 June Karen Brubaker gave a presentation on renewables to the Council.
- A lot of ongoing involvement with COBI staff. Thankful for cooperation with Public Works on both public and private projects.
  - i. On 4 July they provided an upgrade to the power boxes used for parade announcers.
  - ii. Working with WSF on plans to provide more electricity to electric ferries.
- PSE has a continuing interest in low impact development, Critical Area Ordinance, Waterfront Management Plan, Island Center Subarea Plan, extended moratorium on development, and the Landmark Trees Ordinance.
- On Miller Road, burial of the lines was cheaper than alternate of moving the poles and trimming trees much further back. Private developers are already required to underground everything new.
- Planning a town hall in 2019.
- Steve Johnson said he'd like PSE to periodically brief UAC on rates, reliability and environmental impact (carbon reduction and Integrated Resources Plan). Andy said he'd put that on a future UAC agenda.

Introduction of New Member; Charles Averill

- On City Council for most of the 90's
- On Planning Commission for most of the 00's
- Investment background
- Parents used to own BI Review
- Considers himself an environmentalist and an advocate of "good" government.



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Water and Sewer Rate Structure Study and CIP Update and Public Works Update (Barry Loveless):

- FCS Group – Chris Gonzales is principal author. He led us through a slide show and discussion. Ted Jones asked Barry Loveless to post this presentation on both the public and private portals.
  - i. Scheduled to present to Council on 21 August.
  - ii. There are few grants available for sewer and water projects.
  - iii. Cities do not usually get fined for sewer spills unless there is a pattern or gross negligence.
  - iv. It's unusual for a city to have zero debt on a utility like we do for Water.
  - v. Current funding does not have a depreciation account to build capital for replacement of assets. FSC will recommend we do.
  - vi. UAC asked that KPUD and Sewer District 7 rates be shown for comparison on slide 14.
  - vii. Schools are in our water rate structure as commercial, but they drive the system needs for fire flow. UAC members suggested we may need an "industrial" rate.
  - viii. UAC wants to know who the customers in the "other" category are.
  - ix. Law prohibits the City from giving service away to any class of customer, but heavy discounts are allowed.
  - x. If City wanted to improve sewer effluent quality (raise the level of service) that would show up first in the Capital Improvement projects.

Adjournment 7PM. Upcoming meeting schedule was revised.

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