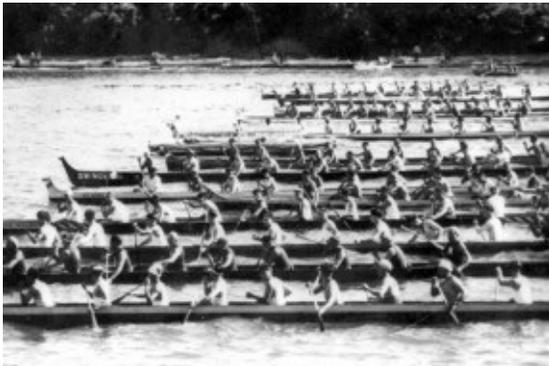


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## **The Coupeville Wharf Historic Building Is Undergoing an Interior Facelift!**

Be sure to stop by in the coming weeks to see all the improvements underway inside our Coupeville Wharf Historic Building! We are applying a fresh coat of paint and will be installing historic photos showcasing our proud Native American and Coupeville Maritime history from the late 1800's and early 1900's.

## ***On the Wharf***

### **Platypus Has Left the Wharf!**

The Port of Coupeville worked with the Department of Natural Resources Derelict



Vessel Removal Program to ensure proper removal of the Platypus, an approximately 45-foot wood, Australian WWII era, power boat. The Port received numerous phone calls from interested parties across the nation, but ultimately it was discovered to be unsalvageable. We are grateful for everyone's assistance in removing the vessel from Penn Cove, where it had become unmoored and run aground several times.

### **24 Front Street Has a New Roof!**

When you visit the Coupeville Wharf, take notice of the new cedar roof on the historic Gillespie Meat Market located at 24 Front Street! We are grateful to have received grant funding from the Ebay's Forever Preservation Grant which supported half the cost! Next, we will be pursuing funding for a facelift to the front façade!



[Stay updated on our projects!](#)

## ***At Greenbank Farm***



[Learn More about the Oak Harbor Exceptional Academy](#)

### **Greenbank Farm Is Exceptional & So Are Our New Interns!**

The Port of Coupeville has partnered with Oak Harbor Exceptional Academy, an Oak Harbor Public Schools program, to support our educational programming at Greenbank Farm! The program assists students with job skills training, utilizing internships with local businesses here on Whidbey Island. Students work with an onsite job coach to gain the skills needed for transitioning to adulthood, employment, and independent living. We are thrilled to have Dawson and Brittany, along with their job coaches, join us here at Greenbank Farm to assist us with our upkeep of the grounds and facilities!

### **Welcome Dog Walkers!**

New signage has been posted at the Greenbank Farm entrances leading to the off-

leash recreation area. This is to ensure dog walkers that dogs must remain on-leash until the red flags marking the entrance to the off-leash area is achieved. Parking lots, businesses, and the playground are in the on-leash areas to ensure the safety of all, including our loved companions. Additionally, fenced agricultural areas are not open to the public. We ask that you pay attention to all signage and rules at Greenbank Farm to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all guests. We continue to experience complaints from visitors, so please pick up after your pet and do not walk any dogs off-leash that are not trained to your commands. Please note anyone breaking the rules may be banned from the Greenbank Farm.



Know the law: Island County Off-Leash Code



## Commercial Space Available at Greenbank Farm!

Are you looking for a beautiful office, retail, or studio space for your business? Then Suite C-101 in Greenbank Farm's Barn C is just the place for you! This 940 square foot commercial space provides ample lighting and wall mounted shelf space, as well as a large storage room that can be used as a back office. It also includes its own private bathroom and both a front and back entry for easy loading and unloading of merchandise or office supplies. Greenbank Farm is in the middle of Whidbey Island and frequented by both Islanders and tourists alike! At just \$0.86 a square foot, this space will not be available long, especially with both short-term and long-term leases available! For more information or to schedule a time to view the space, please contact the Port of Coupeville by email at [executivedirector@portofcoupeville.org](mailto:executivedirector@portofcoupeville.org) or by phone at (360) 222-3688.

## Upcoming Events

March 10, 10 a.m.:  
Port of Coupeville Board Meeting,

Zoom Conference Call. For instructions on participating, visit the Port website here: <https://portoc.org/commission-meetings/meeting-agendas/>

**March 25, 6 p.m.:**

**Port of Coupeville Board Meeting,**

To participate, see instructions above.

**April 14, 10 a.m.:**

**Port of Coupeville Board Meeting,**

To participate, see instructions above.

**April 28, 6 p.m.:**

**Port of Coupeville Board Meeting,**

To participate, see instructions above.

Greenbank Farm is available for weddings and events. Call us at 360.222.3558 or click on the link below for details on how to rent the farm.

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**Planting season is here!**

Keep an eye out for upcoming plant sales at Greenbank Farm!



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