



MONROE THIS WEEK

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GREETINGS FROM MAYOR THOMAS

Hello! Thank you for reading my weekly newsletter. I am grateful to serve the Monroe community and look forward to hearing from you. If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments for "Monroe This Week" or the articles included, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at gthomas@monroewa.gov. Thank you!

Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas



MAYOR HAPPENINGS

Board and Commission Vacancies

The City of Monroe is currently seeking applicants to fill the following City Board and Commission open positions:

- 1 – Salary Commissioner:
Vacant term ending 12/31/2018
- 3 – Ethics Boardmembers:
Vacant term ending 12/31/2017
Vacant term ending 12/31/2017
Vacant term ending 12/31/2019

For additional information regarding board/commission qualifications, duties, and meeting times, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 360-863-4538.

COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

The City Council Meeting for Tuesday May 2, 2017, has been cancelled. Upcoming agenda items for the May 9, 2017, City Council Meeting include Proclamations for Building Safety Month and Mother's Day and a presentation by the Snohomish County Tourism Bureau.

EVENT HAPPENINGS

Healthy Kids Day

Healthy Kids Day is a community event where the entire community is invited into the YMCA to discover all that our community has to offer kids and families. Please join us on Saturday, April 29, 2017, 10am to 1pm for Healthy Kids Day at the Monroe YMCA. HEALTHY KIDS DAY is all about building the "WOW" factor inside every kids... whoever they are and wherever they're from. So come to HEALTHY KIDS DAY for a day of creative, challenging, smart, healthy fun and watch the "WOW" in your kid come out.

Mayor

Geoffrey Thomas

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Councilmembers

Jeff Rasmussen, Mayor Pro Tem

Kirk Scarboro

Patsy Cudaback

Kevin Hanford

Ed Davis

Jim Kamp

Jason Gamble

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Appointment Openings

Salary Commissioner

Ethics Boardmember (3)

www.monroewa.gov/vacancies

Job Openings

Laboratory Analyst

PW O&M Seasonal Laborer

Parks Seasonal

Lateral Police Officer

www.monroewa.gov/jobs

EVENT HAPPENINGS

04/29	Healthy Kids Day, YMCA Monroe, 10AM 90 Minutes of Fear, Evergreen Speedway, 6PM
05/02	City Council Finance & HR Committee Meeting, City Hall, 6PM CANCELLED City Council Regular Business Meeting, City Hall, Council Chambers, 7PM CANCELLED

City of Monroe
Year-to-Date Comparisons

Sales Tax Revenues

'16 to 03/31/16: \$1,100,427
'17 to 03/31/17: \$1,271,570
UP \$171,143 or 15.55%

Real Estate Excise Tax

'16 to 03/31/16: \$205,780
'17 to 03/31/17: \$206,988
UP \$1,208 or 0.59%

Lodging Tax Revenues

'16 to 03/31/16: \$13,813
'17 to 03/31/17: \$12,878
Down \$935 or -6.77%

Business License Fees

'16 to 03/31/16: \$14,221
'17 to 03/31/17: \$13,071
DOWN \$1,150 or -8.09%

Building Permit Revenues

'16 to 03/31/16: \$85,216
'17 to 03/31/17: \$139,660
UP \$54,444 or 63.89%

Planning Fee Revenues

'16 to 03/31/16: \$7,625
'17 to 03/31/17: \$7,726
UP \$101 or 1.32%

New House Permits

'16 to 03/31/16: 19
'17 to 03/31/17: 37
UP 18 units or 94.74%

Multi-Family Permits (# units)

'16 to 03/31/16: 2
'17 to 03/31/17: 0
DOWN 2 units or -100.0%

Building Division Inspections

'16 to 03/31/16: 154
'17 to 03/31/17: 313
UP 159 or 103.25%

Passport Day – Saturday, June 10, 2017



The City of Monroe Finance Department will be hosting a “Passport Day” on Saturday, June 10, 2017, from 9 am to 1 pm at Monroe City Hall. If you are interested in applying for your passport, but can’t come during the week, here’s your chance. Applications will be processed on a first come, first serve basis, and the doors will be closed at 1 pm to insure that all accepted applications will get to the post office in time, so plan to come early. If you have any questions regarding passport applications, visit our web site at www.monroewa.gov under Government Services or call us at 360-794-7400.

CITY HAPPENINGS

Earth and Arbor Day

The joint Monroe-Duvall Earth Day and Arbor Day event was held last Saturday, April 22, 2017, at McCormick Park. The first Earth Day celebration was held in 1970. Earth Day is an annual event celebrated on April 22nd. At this year’s festival the weather refused to cooperate but the event had a steady stream of visitors. Earth Day encourages people regionally, nationally and worldwide to be more environmentally friendly. We are looking forward to next year and better weather.

Safe Travels for Children

Officers have been out at our elementary schools reminding parents of the importance of safe transport of children.

Washington State Law (RCW: 46.61.687):

- The driver is responsible for securing all passengers under the age of 16.
- Children under 13 years old must be transported in the back seat, when practical to do so.
- Children up to their 8th birthday, unless 4’9” tall, must ride in a child restraint (car seat, booster seat)
- The restraint system must be used according to the car seat and vehicle manufactures instructions.
- Exclusions apply to vehicles equipped with lap-only belts, emergency vehicles and vehicles for hire
- Children 8 years old, or at least 4’9”, who wear a seat belt must use it correctly (not under the arm or behind the back)

Congratulations Sergeant Johnston!

Sergeant Johnston received the Monroe Chamber of Commerce “President’s Award” at the Chamber Awards Night on Wednesday, April 26, 2017. He was named the 2017 Monroe Fair Days Parade “Grand Marshal.” Congratulations to Sergeant Johnston and thank you for all you do for the City of Monroe!