



MONROE THIS WEEK

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GREETINGS FROM MAYOR THOMAS

Hello! Thank you for reading Monroe This Week. Learn what is happening and has happened during the week. 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

Employee Anniversary Recognition

At our City of Monroe Employee Appreciation BBQ I recognized several individuals for their years of service to the City of Monroe. On average the length of employment with the City is FIFTEEN years! Anniversaries in 2019 are:

- ❖ **5 years:** Jimmy Davis; Trevor Larson; Pam Haley; and Pam Baker.
- ❖ **15 years:** Monica Sandoval.
- ❖ **20 years:** Jakeh Roberts; John Axtman; Joy Petrick; and John Lande.
- ❖ **25 years:** Timothy Buzzell.

Thank you to everyone who works so hard! I appreciate your hard work and dedication.

Business Survey

The 2019 Business Survey is officially open. This is an annual undertaking that informs the City of issues that affect the business community. Your voice matters! The survey takes about twenty-five to thirty minutes complete and your contact information will not be shared. The results of the survey will be published on the City's website once the survey deadline has past. The deadline for survey responses is October 31, 2019. Here is a [link](#) to the survey. Thank you in advance for your participation!

CITY HAPPENINGS

Harvest Festival

Save the date for the Harvest Festival Wednesday, September 18, 2019, from 3 to 7 p.m. at Galaxy Theater in Monroe; and come join the community as we celebrate this season of change. September is a perfect time for harvesting, with many crops reaching their peak. Participants will include local farmers with their abundance of produce, handmade artisans, kids' activities, music, prizes, food trucks, a petting zoo, face painting and more!

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Patsy Cudaback

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EVENT HAPPENINGS

09/17	City Council Finance & Human Resource Affairs Committee Meeting, City Hall, Passport Table, 5:30PM City Council Regular Study Session, City Hall, Council Chambers, 7PM
09/18	Harvest Festival/Farmer's Market, Galaxy Theater, 3-7PM
09/19	HPAC, Monroe Coordination Center, 6-8PM

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City of Monroe
Year-to-Date Comparisons

Sales Tax Revenues

'18 to 07/31/18: \$2,907,002
 '19 to 07/31/19: \$3,042,419
UP \$135,417 or 4.65%

Real Estate Excise Tax

'18 to 07/31/18: \$859,457
 '19 to 07/31/19: \$699,777
DOWN \$159,679 or -18.57%

Lodging Tax Revenues

'18 to 07/31/18: \$38,851
 '19 to 07/31/19: \$41,955
UP \$3,104 or 7.99%

Business License Fees

'18 to 07/31/18: \$28,323
 '19 to 07/31/19: \$37,892
UP \$9,569 or 33.78%

Building Permit Revenues

'18 to 07/31/18: \$323,880
 '19 to 07/31/19: \$323,233
DOWN \$5,497 or -1.46%

Planning Fee Revenues

'18 to 07/31/18: \$22,040
 '19 to 07/31/19: \$38,865
UP \$16,825 or 76.33%

SFR Permits YTD

2018 to 8/2018: 109
 2019 to 8/2019: 92

Multi-Family Permits (# units)

2018 to 8/2018: 0
 2019 to 8/2019: 186

Inspections YTD

August 2018 – 1,528
 August 2019 – 2,080

CITY HAPPENINGS - CONTINUED

Swift Night Out

Thank you to everyone who attended Swift Night Out. Due to nature, the Swifts unfortunately we're not out that evening but we are confident that the chimney at Wagner Center will remain a valued roost site for the Swifts on their journey to and from the breeding grounds. Guests still got to enjoy activities, food, vendors and the 'master of all things swift', Larry Schwitters.

Board and Commissions

Interested in serving on a City Board, Commission, or Committee? The City is looking to fill several positions on its boards, commissions, and committees. This is a great opportunity to become involved and learn about City government. For more information about the availabilities and the application please click [here](#). Candidates must reside in the city limits and are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

Salmon Celebration

Save the date for Sultan's Salmon Celebration. This event remembers Chief T'seul-Ted protecting our salmon watersheds. This is a free event Saturday, Sept. 29, 2019 from 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Osprey Park. Activities include: Native welcome, drumming/dancing, flutes, horse-drawn covered wagon rides, watershed education, 5K run, 1 mile walk, and more.

COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

The Tuesday, September 17, 2019, City Council Study Session includes: Presentations from the Monroe Community Coalition and Pasado's Safe Haven and Discussion Items regarding HB1406/Affordable Housing and the proposed Snohomish County UGA Expansion. For more information click [here](#).

Have a question for your Councilmembers? Contact them at [councilmembers@monroewa.gov!](mailto:councilmembers@monroewa.gov)



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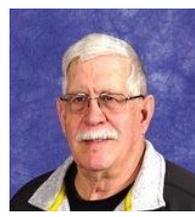
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2020 City of Monroe Boards & Commissions Openings

- Ethics Boardmember (5)
- Park Boardmember (1)
- Planning Commissioners (2)
- Salary Commissioner (3)
- Economic Development Advisory Board (1)

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Job Openings

- Building Inspector
- Lateral Police Officer

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