



MONROE THIS WEEK

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Thank you for reading Monroe This Week.

This week's edition includes details on the local recognitions of Veteran's Day and Police and Fire Appreciation Week, vacancies on the City's Boards, Commissions, and Committees, the MHS football team's path to the playoffs, the Monroe Historical Society's Home Town Trivia Night, and MHS' recent homecoming food drive.



Please contact me with any and all feedback regarding the articles below. I can be reached at GThomas@MonroeWA.gov.

Yours in Service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "G. Thomas".

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

CITY RECOGNIZES VETERANS DAY

At next Tuesday's City Council Business Meeting, I will formally issue a [Proclamation](#) recognizing Thursday, November 11 as Veterans Day. Originally established in May 1938 as Armistice Day to honor veterans of World War I, the holiday was expanded in 1947 to honor all veterans, and officially renamed as Veterans Day in 1954.



With quiet courage and selflessness, with honor and distinction, generations of service men and women have defended our independence and freedom, and sought to preserve our Nation. We salute the men and women who have proudly worn the uniform of service and the families that stand beside them. Here in Monroe, we recognize our local veterans who have served and are currently serving, and when they return, we care for them and their families.

On Thursday morning, I will be laying a wreath at the Veterans Memorial Monument at Lake Tye to express my and our community's recognition, appreciation, and commitment to our veterans and their families. I encourage the Monroe community to recognize the fortitude and sacrifice of our veterans through private thoughts and reflections.

CITY RECOGNIZES POLICE & FIRE APPRECIATION WEEK

During next Tuesday's City Council meeting, I will also be issuing a [Proclamation](#) recognizing November 15 through November 21 as Police and Fire Appreciation Week. The personnel of the [Monroe Police Department](#) and [Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue](#) keep our community safe by increasing public awareness of methods for crime and fire prevention. These devoted first responders risk their lives for the lives of others, and selflessly run towards danger as we run for safety. Through hard work and commitment, they do their jobs well and without fanfare, which sometimes make us forget the dangers they face. As a symbol of our community's gratitude for their exceptional public service, we dedicate next week to our local police and fire safety professionals.



SERVE ON A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

As I've shared recently here in *Monroe This Week*, the City has openings on multiple Boards, Commissions and Committees. Are you looking for ways to serve the community you live in? We currently have the following vacancies:



- 2 - Economic Development Advisory Board (4-year term ending 12/2025)
- 4 - Community Human Services Advisory Board (4-year term ending 12/2025)
- 4 - Ethics Board Member (two 3-year terms ending 12/2023; two mid-term vacancies ending 12/2022)
- 4 - Salary Commission (two 3-year terms ending 12/2023; two mid-term vacancies ending 12/2022)
- 1 - Park Board (4-year term ending 12/2025)
- 1 - Planning Commission (4-year term ending 12/2025)
- 1 - Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (membership reviewed annually)

For more information on the duties of each board or commission, please visit our [Boards, Commissions, and Committees](#) page. To apply, please visit our Boards, Commissions, and Committees [vacancies](#) page. More vacancies are anticipated to open in January.

MHS FOOTBALL TEAM GOES TO THE PLAYOFFS

Congratulations to our Monroe Bearcats Football Team on their very successful season, clinching 1st Place in the 3A Wesco – South division on a 4-game winning streak. Tomorrow the team is headed to Lakewood for a District playoff matchup with Lakes High School; kickoff is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Community members are invited to meet at Speedway Chevrolet at 9:45 a.m. to send the team off in style. Please join me in wishing the school and team good luck!



HOME TOWN TRIVIA NIGHT NEXT WEDNESDAY

Test your knowledge of Monroe history with a fun-filled evening of trivia benefiting the **MONROE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**. Form a team of up to 6 friends, pick a name and play! Former Trivia Master Janna Ott will quiz you on Monroe historical facts while you enjoy tasty food and beverages at [Route 2 Taproom](#). The winning team will receive \$50 in prize money. Bragging rights can be yours for just \$5/person to play. \$1 from every beer or cider purchased goes to the nonprofit historical society.

HOMECOMING FOOD DRIVE BRINGS IN BIG NUMBERS FOR THE FOOD BANK

During homecoming week, Monroe High School staff and students collected over 5,300 pounds of non-perishable food and \$4,725 in cash for the Sky Valley Food Bank. Organized each year by members of ASB, many local families benefit annually from this event, and it is a great example of how our community comes together to lend a helping hand.



UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The City Council will meet in a Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, November 9, 2021. The meeting will be held via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Participation information will be posted with the November 9 agenda, which can be accessed by clicking the button below.

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