



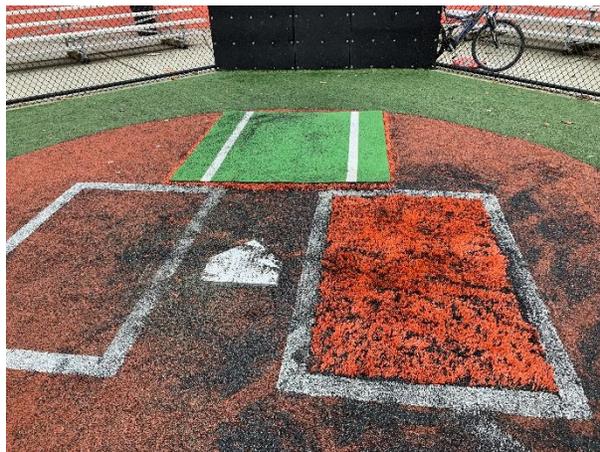
Mission

Protecting and enhancing the natural beauty of Monroe through the development of a vibrant system of parks, open space, and trails. Providing residents of all age's positive opportunities for recreation and social gathering in clean, safe, accessible, and inclusive facilities and green spaces. Enhancing health, quality of living, and the natural environment for present and future generations.

Department Update

Operations

In October, the crew focused on several maintenance tasks around the city. These included removing flowers from median endcaps, beginning leaf pickup and mulch work, and winterizing irrigation systems, drinking fountains, and equipment. Pruning of trees started in areas that typically remain wet during fall and winter. At Blueberry Park, a Communication Board and benches were installed. Playground inspections were conducted, and efforts were made to secure parts for warranty repairs at Lake Tye Park. Trail inspections were carried out, along with the removal and storage of camp properties. Additionally, repairs were completed on rotary doors and restroom doors at the Sky River facilities to ensure they were operational.



(Above: Before and after of Rotary Field turf replacement)

October Events

Monroe's First Orca Recovery Day Event

On Saturday, October 19th the city's Environmental Services Program worked with Snohomish Conservation District to host Orca Recovery Day. This educational event included food trucks, vendors, educational games, speakers, and a tree planting. Puget Sound's Orca pod, the Southern Residents, need our help to sustain their food source by restoring streamside habitat for salmon. The event offered a chance for attendees to learn more about regional efforts to save our Orcas. Parks crew member Alyssa Tidwell also assisted at the event; we thank her for her time.



National Walk & Ride to School Day

On October 9th our Parks Department help assisted with the set up and logistics for National Walk & Roll to School Day.

At the event, our public safety partners shared tips with students on walking safely using streets with sidewalks or wide shoulders and crosswalks with pedestrian lights or crossing guards. Thank you to Monroe Police Department, Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue and the Monroe School District for partnering for this event.



October Tourism Data

October's visitor analytics collected through Placer.ai from October 1-20 showed Monroe had 188,700 visitors which are individuals who visit Monroe excluding those that live and work here. This number includes all visitors, not just overnight stays.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering for the City of Monroe, please contact our Parks and Recreation Admin Assistant at (360) 863-4559 or sign up for notifications at <https://bit.ly/3uLsNjW>. Visit the City website www.monroewa.gov for information.

Park Board

The Monroe Parks Board met on Thursday, October 17, 2024 and business consisted of reviewing the proposed 2025/2026 City budget and reviewing the facility use fees. The Board’s meeting in November has been cancelled. The next meeting will be December 19, 2024.



New Communication Board @ Blueberry Park

City Parks Unmarked Trails Inspections

In 2017, a weekly maintenance monitoring emphasis by park staff was initiated on unmarked trails at Al Borlin and Sky River Parks to identify and resolve, in cooperation with our Police Department, any unlawful encampments that may occur in City parks. Attached is the comprehensive data from 2019 to the present. The following is a summary of data for the past month:

Locations: Al Borlin & Sky River Trails

DATE	TOTAL LABOR HOURS	# BAGS OF LITTER COLLECTED	NOTES
10/8	7	6	Sky River Park – Inspections, Garbage Removal Al Borlin – Inspections, Garbage Removal
10/24	9	24	Sky River Park – Inspections, Garbage Removal Al Borlin – Inspections, Garbage Removal
			See attached Parks Homeless Response Data 2019- 2023



MONROE PARK BOARD

Park Board Meeting
Thursday, September 19, 2024, 7:00 PM
Hybrid: Zoom Online Meeting Platform & In-Person at the Parks & Public Works Building at
769 Village Way

Park Board Members:
Jessie Robinson, Chair
Amy Martin, Vice Chair
Keith Dahlenburg, Member
Brady Welever, Member
Ron Petrick, Member
Mariana Medina, Member
Vacant, Member

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Martin called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:02pm, hybrid via Zoom and in-person in the Court Room at 769 Village Way.

2. ROLL CALL

<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amy Martin	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abdul Salama	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brady Welever	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Petrick	Board Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Brown	Board Member

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.1. Motion was made by Board Member Petrick, seconded by Board Member Welever, to approve the April 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried 4- 0
- 4.2. Motion was made by Board Member Petrick, seconded by Board Member Welever, to approve the June 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried 4- 0
- 4.3. Motion was made by Board Member Brown, seconded by Board Member Welever, to approve the August 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried 4- 0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Park Board Election

Board Member Welever nominated Vice Chair Martin to become the new Chair. Motion was made by Board Member Welever, seconded by Board Member Brown. Motion carried 4- 0

Board Member Welever nominated Board Member Petrick to become the new Vice Chair. Motion was made by Chair Martin, seconded by Board Member Welever. Motion carried 4- 0

6.2. Parks and Rec 2025-2030 CIP- Mike Farrell

Mike Farrell reviewed the Parks CIP. Board Member Welever motioned to forward approval of CIP to Council, Chair Martin seconded. Motion passed 5-0

7. STAFF/BOARD DISCUSSION

7.1. Parks Department Report - *Mike Farrell*

Mike Farrell highlighted the Parks Crew Operations and Events from August.

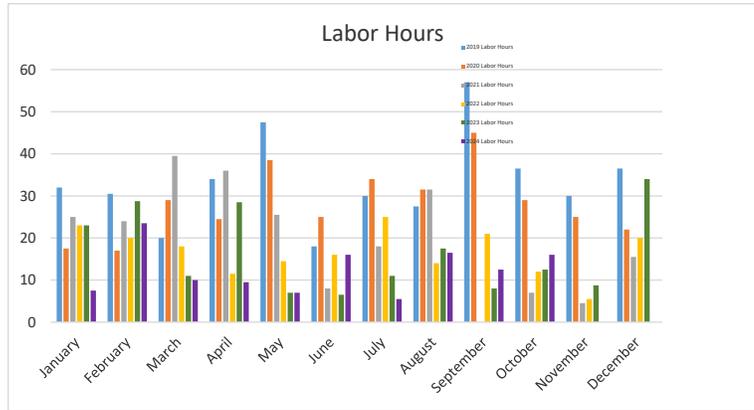
7.2. Community Development Department Report - *Mike Farrell*

8. ADJOURNMENT

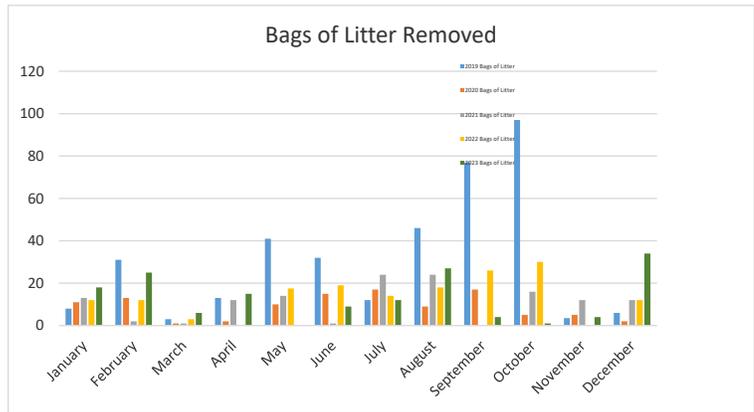
8.1. Chair Martin motioned to adjourn and Board Member Welever seconded. Motioned passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm

Chairperson

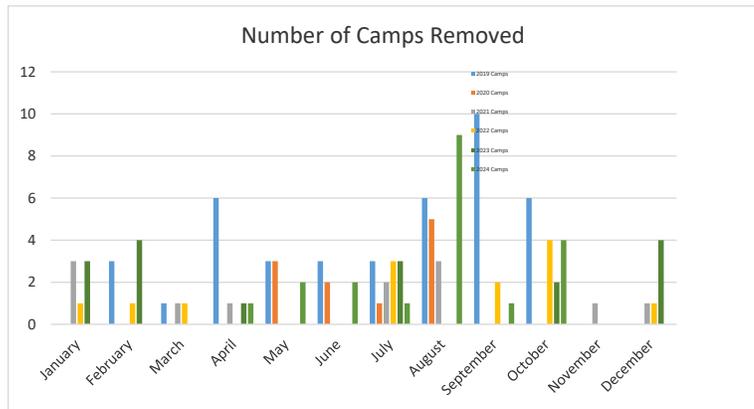
	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-24	7.5	0	0
Feb-24	23.5	22.5	0
Mar-24	10	15	0
Apr-24	9.5	14	1
May-24	7	8	2
Jun-24	16	8	2
Jul-24	5.5	2	1
Aug-24	16.5	12	9
Sep-24	12.5	40	1
Oct-24	16	30	4
Nov-24			
Dec-24			
Total 2024	124	151.5	20



	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-23	23	18	3
Feb-23	28.75	25	4
Mar-23	11	6	0
Apr-23	28.5	15	1
May-23	7	0	0
Jun-23	6.5	9	0
Jul-23	11	12	3
Aug-23	17.5	27	0
Sep-23	8	4	0
Oct-23	12.5	1	2
Nov-23	8.75	4	0
Dec-23	34	34	4
Total 2023	196.5	155	17



	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-22	23	12	1
Feb-22	20	12	1
Mar-22	18	3	1
Apr-22	11.5	0	0
May-22	14.5	17.5	0
Jun-22	16	19	0
Jul-22	25	14	3
Aug-22	14	18	0
Sep-22	21	26	2
Oct-22	12	30	4
Nov-22	5.5	0	0
Dec-22	20	12	1
Total 2022	200.5	163.5	13



2019-2021 data is shown only on the graphs. If you would like the full data breakdown, please reach out to Shelley Rowe srowe@monroewa.gov