



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

Boards & Commissions Openings

Interested in serving your community? Want to be involved but don't know how? Joining a Board or Commission is a great way! The City of Monroe has several openings available.

- 1 Civil Services Commissioner (Term ending September 2022)
- 1 Ethics Boardmember (Term ending December 2019)
- 2 Ethics Boardmembers (Terms ending December 2020)
- 1 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Member (Hotelier – Term ending 2018)
- 1 Salary Commissioner (Term ending December 2018)
- 1 Salary Commissioner (Term ending December 2020)

COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

The Tuesday, December 12, 2017, Monroe City Council Regular Business Meeting agenda includes: Confirmation of 2018 Board and Commission Re/Appointments, a Resolution Amending the Master Fee Schedule, and discussion regarding Sick Leave Policies and Parks Master Planning. For more information and additional agenda items, click [HERE](#).

CITY HAPPENINGS

Congratulations!

Monroe Police Officer Joe Stark was named the Officer of the Quarter (Third Quarter 2017). Officer Stark was chosen for his repeated focus, commitment, and a positive attitude in his works. He recently received the "Hit of the Month" award for the successful deployment of his Stop Stick on July 16, 2017, which aided the successful and safe conclusion to a dangerous pursuit and arrest.

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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EVENT HAPPENINGS

12/09	12 th Annual Christmas Bazaar, Cascade Community Church, 10AM-4PM Kiwanis Community Market, Monroe Boys and Girls Club, 10AM-3PM
12/12	Boards & Commission Recognition Event, City Hall, 6:30PM City Council Regular Business Meeting, City Hall, Chambers, 7PM
12/15	Monroe Concert Band Presents "Winter Melodies", Wagner Performing Arts Center, 7-9PM

Appointment Openings

Civil Service Commissioner

LTAC Member

Ethics Boardmember (3)

Salary Commissioner (2)

www.monroewa.gov/vacancies

Job Openings

Parks Maintenance Worker

Lateral Police Officer

www.monroewa.gov/jobs

City of Monroe
Year-to-Date Comparisons

Sales Tax Revenues

'16 to 11/30/16: \$4,130,648

'17 to 11/30/17: \$4,768,456

UP \$637,806 or 15.44%

Real Estate Excise Tax

'16 to 11/30/16: \$854,484

'17 to 11/30/17: \$1,451,475

UP \$596,991 or 69.86%

Lodging Tax Revenues

'16 to 11/30/16: \$76,999

'17 to 11/30/17: \$76,455

Down \$523 or -0.67%

Business License Fees

'16 to 11/30/16: \$42,794

'17 to 11/30/17: \$45,759

UP \$2,965 or 6.92%

Building Permit Revenues

'16 to 11/30/16: \$602,615

'17 to 11/30/17: \$591,020

DOWN \$11,595 or -1.92%

Planning Fee Revenues

'16 to 11/30/16: \$109,180

'17 to 11/30/17: \$40,516

DOWN \$68,664 or -62.89%

New House Permits

'16 to 11/30/16: 117

'17 to 11/30/17: 129

UP 12 units or 10.26%

Multi-Family Permits (# units)

'16 to 11/30/16: 4

'17 to 11/30/17: 12

UP 8 units or 200.0%

Building Division Inspections

'16 to 11/30/16: 260

'17 to 11/30/17: 454

UP 194 or 74.62%

(Congratulations – continued) He presents himself positively to the public and daily demonstrates his loyalty to our agency, employees and the community. He has done and continues to do an exceptional job in responding to the needs of the City of Monroe citizens.

Holiday DUI Emphasis

The Snohomish County DUI and Target Zero Task Force is kicking off their Holiday emphasis on Friday, December 6, 2017, from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. The Monroe Police Department will be participating along with many other agencies in Snohomish County. This event is part of the annual national "Night of a Thousand Stars." You can follow the progress and highlights of this event live on Twitter @monroepolice.

Toys for Tots-LAST WEEK FOR ACCEPTING DONATIONS!

Our own Officer Shaun Van Eaton also serves as an active reservist with the U. S. Marine Corps and participates in the Toys for Tots campaign; which accepts new, unwrapped toys and distributes them as Christmas gifts to needy children in the community in which they were received. If interested in donating, there are bins in both the City Hall lobby and the Police Department's lobby located at 818 W Main Street in Monroe. The Monroe Police Department will be accepting donations through December 15th.

Officer Jayme Biendl Memorial Run

Registration is open for the Officer Jayme Biendl Memorial 5K Run. Sign-up early to guarantee a shirt. All proceeds will benefit the Behind the Badge Foundation. You can register on-line [here](#) or through the Monroe Police Department.

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Holiday Bazaars!

Saturday, December 9, 2017, Cascade Community Church and the Monroe Kiwanis Club are having a Holiday Bazaar/Community Market. Stop by Cascade Community Church between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. and then head over to the Monroe Boys and Girls Club for more holiday fun between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Both events are FREE! Lots of great activities and vendors to support. Shop local this season and support your Monroe community!

Sky River Park Exercise Equipment Update!

Parks staff are installing new exercise stations at Sky River Park! Earlier this year, in partnership with the Monroe Boys & Girls Club, a Snohomish County Small Capital Projects Partnership Grant application was submitted and awarded to purchase and install four basic trailside exercise stations along the walking trail at Skykomish River Park. The new exercise stations will provide fun and exercise for users with varying abilities.

