



City of Monroe, Washington
Parks & Recreation Department

July, 2017

MISSION

Protect and enhance the natural beauty of Monroe through the development of a vibrant system of parks, open space and trails. Provide citizens of all ages positive recreational opportunities in clean, safe and accessible recreation facilities. Enhance health, quality living and the natural environment for future generations.

Department Update

Master Plans for Cadman Site, Lake Tye Park

The City of Monroe requested and received nine proposals from qualified planning firms to provide professional services in creating Master Park Plans for these two sites. We anticipate the master plan process to commence later this summer. Development of master plans for Lake Tye Park and the Cadman Site will help our community establish a vision for appropriate development and recreation use of the parks and guide the City's plans for future recreational investment.

Operations

Parks and Recreation Department team members have been busy this summer with daily recreation use of our parks facilities, as well as scheduled maintenance, park improvements and repair work on equipment and landscaped areas.

The City-maintained landscaping along Tjerne Place received weed control maintenance and a fresh layer of bark mulch. Staff are also busy working with community partners in planning and hosting a full slate of community events and programs for 2017. This month's events include:

- July 7 – Music in the Park “Aaron Crawford” @ Lake Tye Park 7pm
- July 9 – Shakespeare “Comedy of Errors” @ Wagner PAC 5pm
- July 14-16 – NW Wake Surf Open @ Lake Tye
- July 14 – Music in the Park “Rumba Kings” @ Lake Tye Park 7pm
- July 16 – Shakespeare “Henry IV part Two” @ Wagner PAC 5pm
- July 21 – Music in the Park “Nate Bosford” @ Lake Tye Park 7pm
- July 28 – Music in the Park “Massy Ferguson” @ Lake Tye Park 7pm
- Aug 1 – National Night Out Against Crime @ Lake Tye Park 5pm
- Every weekend – Races @ Evergreen Speedway; Evergreen State Fairgrounds events

Mobile Performance Stage Debuts

The City of Monroe is excited to have debuted its new mobile performance stage on Friday, July 7 at Music in the Park! This mobile stage was purchased as part of the Parks Capital Improvement Plan in 2016 and allows for better versatility and can open possibilities for future community events in our parks and public spaces. The Parks and Recreation department looks forward to sharing and showing the community this new mobile stage! Music in the Park brought to you by the Monroe Chamber of Commerce and City of Monroe continues each Friday evening in July at Lake Tye Park. www.choosemonroe.com



Country music by Aaron Crawford on the city's new performance stage drew a large crowd to Music in the Park!

City Parks Unmarked Trails Inspections

Earlier this year, 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.

The following is a summary of data for the past month:

Locations: Al Borlin Park; Sky River Park

DATE	TOTAL LABOR HOURS	# BAGS OF LITTER COLLECTED	NOTES
6/11	5.5	4	1 abandoned camp discovered at Al Borlin Park
6/26	8	6	
7/12	12	7	1 camp discovered at Al Borlin Park and reported to Police.
Avg.	8.5	5.6	
Prior month Avg.	6.6	1.6	

Volunteer Opportunities Join the City of Monroe team by volunteering your talent and time to support City programs, projects and events. Volunteering is an opportunity to learn about Monroe's diverse community, understand how local government works and connect with other community members. The City offers on-going and one-time event volunteer opportunities. If you are interested in volunteering, or seeking additional information, please contact Pamela Baker at (360) 863-4524.

Visit the City website www.monroewa.gov for information on upcoming programs and events.