

# Marysville Historical Society (MHS)

## General Meeting Minutes

Date: July 21, 2025

### Call to Order

The monthly general meeting of the Marysville Historical Society was called to order at 6:03 PM by President Peter Condyles.

### Reading and Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the June 16, 2025, general meeting were made available for viewing. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Marie Nelson and seconded by Jessie Webb. The motion passed unanimously.

### Correspondence

A thank you card was received from a group who recently rented the museum for a private event. They expressed their pleasure with the facility and their experience.

### Announcements & Updates

- **New Member Welcome:** A new MHS member, Jack Taylor, shared that they learned about the society through the “Cascade of History” podcast.
- **Gehl Home Volunteers:** President Condyles reported a successful season at the Gehl Home with a great number of visitors. He encouraged members to volunteer as hosts during public hours. A sign-up sheet is available, and access can be arranged through Dennis Burman, Steve Edin, Jessie Webb, or Daniel Lucier.
- **Storage Shed Project:** The new shed was recently painted by Dan Perkins, a local school teacher who generously volunteered his time. The next phase involves installing slatwall boards, with Dan Perkins, Daniel Lucier, and Timothy Lucier planning to complete the work. Jodi and John Hiatt have donated two metal shelves for the shed. Once organized, the garage space will be utilized as a workshop for artifact repair, its originally intended purpose.
- **2nd Annual Cemetery Tour:** The annual cemetery tour is scheduled for Saturday, September 13, at 11:00 AM. All are encouraged to attend.
- **Marysville Globe Acquisition:** President Condyles announced the successful acquisition of several decades of bound Marysville Globe newspapers from Sound Publishing. The donation includes 29 years that were previously missing from the MHS collection. A comprehensive inventory spreadsheet has been created by Secretary Daniel Lucier. President Condyles

is actively working to acquire the copyrights to the collection to allow for full digitization, and he will keep the membership informed of any progress.

- **Swing Orchestra Fundraiser:** Vice-President Steve Edin, who won a two-hour performance at a Rotary Auction, has arranged for a swing band to play at the museum on Saturday, October 18, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The society plans to charge a \$25 entry fee and may offer snacks and drinks. Doors will open at 5:00 PM for guests to explore the museum.
- **Ehey Slugh Bridge Display:** The City of Marysville has delivered the salvaged pieces of the historic Ehey Slugh Bridge. This project, initiated by the late MHS President Ken Cage over a decade ago, has now been completed. The artifacts, representing the bridge's operational years from 1925–2012, are displayed on the north side of the museum.

## **Special Presentation: The History of Asbery Field**

Following dinner, President Peter Condyles gave a presentation on the history of Asbery Field. The presentation was very well-received by the membership. MHS member Tom King shared a personal anecdote, recalling that he was a volunteer firefighter who responded to the grandstand fire in the summer of 1975. He described putting out “spot fires” on neighboring roofs caused by embers carried by the wind. President Condyles credited Secretary Daniel Lucier for his research assistance, which included finding key newspaper articles and digitizing never-before-seen photo negatives taken by Bob Buttke.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM following the presentation.

Next meeting: Monday, August 18, 2025, at 5:30 PM at the museum for the annual MHS membership BBQ. Members are encouraged to invite friends and family to join the society, as the BBQ is an excellent introductory event. The earlier start time will ensure all food is organized and ready to go.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Daniel Lucier, Secretary