

# Marysville Historical Society (MHS)

## General Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2025

**Call to Order** Vice President Steve Edin called the monthly general meeting of the Marysville Historical Society to order at 6:00 p.m. at the MHS Museum.

**Reading and Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes** The minutes for the previous meeting were made available for viewing. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Tom King and seconded by Jerry Obrien. The motion passed.

**Correspondence** A thank you card was received from the Marysville Community Band, thanking the MHS for its support of their event on Saturday, June 7th.

## Old Business and Committee Reports

- **Newspaper Digitization:** The physical copies of the *Marysville Globe* from the 1890 and 1900 editions have been scanned and returned to the society.
- **Gehl Home:** Members were encouraged to sign up to volunteer as hosts for Saturday openings of the historic 1884 Gehl Home located in Jennings Park.
- **Lights for Roadside Sign:** Tom King and Peter Condyles will acquire the necessary materials and equipment for the project. The project will involve digging a trench to the nearby light pole for electricity and planting new foliage around the sign. A call for volunteers will be made once planning is complete.

## New Business

- **Election of New Board Member:** A motion was made by Jessie Webb and seconded by Jodi Hiatt for Tanis Costa to be elected to fill the position of Trustee, previously held by Morrie Sachsenmaier. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Comeford Family Items:** The society acknowledged a recent donation of items connected to the historic Comeford family, for whom the city's water tower park is named.
- **Liberty Elementary Photo Collection:** Daniel Lucier and Tom King have arranged to receive the historical photo collection from Liberty Elementary on loan as the school prepares to close. The collection, which includes class photos and other images dating back to the 1950s, will be digitized by the society and later returned. Special thanks were given to Principal Travis Hammond, Office Manager Heather Carbajal, and Paraprofessional Laura Murril for their essential assistance.

**Special Presentation** Members viewed a 25-minute digitized film of the Marysville Strawberry Festival, estimated to be from 1955. The video featured the kiddie's and general parades, as well as musical performances and carnival activities at Asbery Field. Notable scenes included

long lines for strawberry shortcake and footage of the original wooden grandstand, which was destroyed in a fire in the mid-1970s. MHS extended its thanks to the Marysville Strawberry Festival for preserving the films and permitting their digitization.

**Raffle Drawing** Marie Nelson provided the item for the raffle, which was won by Tom King.

**Adjourned** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jessie Webb and seconded by Dennis Burman. The meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

**Next meeting:** Monday, July 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the museum.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

Daniel Lucier Secretary