

## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

1 Vacancy representing Council District 1 – 3 year term

1 Vacancy representing Council District 3, - 3 year term - current member eligible to re-apply

1 Vacancy representing Council District 4, - Partial term ending 1/31/2021

1 Vacancy representing Council District 5, - 3 year term - current member eligible to re-apply

The Board ensures that all properties are valued at 100% of market value. The Board may equalize property values by either lowering or raising land/building assessments.

### Applicants:

Wes VanDeMark – District 1

David Simpson – Incumbent - District 3

Sonja Merk – District 4 – Partial term ending 1/31/2021

Tammy Valenti – Incumbent – District 5

**NaDean Hanson**

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**From:** noreply@civicplus.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 17, 2018 9:47 AM  
**To:** Ben Glassett; Jill Nixon; Suzanne Mildner; Kristi Felbinger; Dana Brown-Davis; Executive; NaDean Hanson  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Board and Commission Application

## Board and Commission Application

### Step 1

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#### Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

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##### Public Statement

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First Name	Wes
Last Name	Van De Mark
Date	12/17/2018
Street Address	2111 30th street
City	Bellingham
Zip	98225
Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	Field not completed.
Primary Telephone	360-961-3551
Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
Email Address	<u><a href="mailto:wes3551@comcast.net">wes3551@comcast.net</a></u>

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### Step 2

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1. Name of Board or Committee	Board of Equalization
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 1
4. Are you a US citizen?	Yes
5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission?	Yes
If yes, please list dates:	12/31/2016-01/01/2014
8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	<i>Field not completed.</i>
9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or	I have been a Whatcom County Realtor for the past 25 years. I am a past president of the Ferndale Chamber of commerce. I am a former chair person for the Ferndale planning commission. I was a member of the Ferndale parks department. I am the former president of the Ferndale Jaycees.

community activities, and education I am a graduate of the Whatcom community college Business program.

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10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission I enjoy being involved in my community. Using my experience and expertise to further the needs of my community are important to me.

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References (please include daytime telephone number): Nadean Hanson...360-778-5010, Sonja Merk...360-305-8880, Dave Simpson...360-647-5342, Tammy Valenti...360-366-8163

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Signature of applicant: Wes Van De Mark

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Place Signed / Submitted 2930 Newmarket street, Bellingham, WA

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Board of  
Equalization  
Dist. 3 (Incumbent)



**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO WHATCOM COUNTY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY and COMPLETE ALL ITEMS

Name: David Simpson Date: 12-20-18  
Street Address: 4952 LaSalle Ave  
City: Bellingham Zip Code: 98229  
Mailing Address (if different from street address): P.O. Box 322 Bellingham, wa 98227  
Day Telephone: 360 647 5342 Evening Telephone: 360 647 5342 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

- Name of board or committee-**please see reverse:** Board of Equalization
- You must specify which position you are applying for.  
**Please refer to vacancy list.** member for Dist 3
- Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?  
**(If applicable, please refer to vacancy list.)** -----  yes ( ) no
- Which Council district do you live in? ----- ( ) One ( ) Two  Three ( ) Four ( ) Five
- Are you a US citizen? -----  yes ( ) no
- Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? -----  yes ( ) no
- Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission? -----  yes ( ) no  
If yes, dates: 2008 to 2014 2016 to current
- Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County? ----- ( ) yes  no  
If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055, see instructions) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county? ----- ( ) yes  no

You may attach a résumé or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions.

10. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education.  
Construction draw inspector. Past member of the B.O.E. Past member of the whatcom county planning commission. Degree in real estate, 30+ years in the title insurance field.

11. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission: I would like to be of service to my community

References (please include daytime telephone number): upon request

Signature of applicant: David Simpson



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COUNCIL

COUNCILMEMBERS:  
Timothy Ballew II  
Barbara E. Brenner  
Rud Browne  
Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Satpal Sidhu

Board of Equalization  
Dist. 4  
Partial term ending 1/31/2021

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO WHATCOM COUNTY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY and COMPLETE ALL ITEMS

Name: SONJA MERK Date: 12/28/18  
Street Address: 912 NODKSTEK AVE  
City: NODKSTEK Zip Code: 98276  
Mailing Address (if different from street address): \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Telephone: 360) 305-8880 Evening Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: mamasongbird73@gmail.com

- Name of board or committee-**please see reverse:** BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
- You must specify which position you are applying for.  
**Please refer to vacancy list.** Council district 4
- Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?  
**(If applicable, please refer to vacancy list.)** \_\_\_\_\_
- Which Council district do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) One ( ) Two  Three ( ) Four ( ) Five
- Are you a US citizen? \_\_\_\_\_  yes ( ) no
- Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? \_\_\_\_\_  yes ( ) no
- Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission? \_\_\_\_\_  yes ( ) no  
If yes, dates: 2003-2009, 2012-2018
- Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County? \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) yes  no  
If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055, see instructions) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county? \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) yes  no

You may attach a résumé or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions.

10. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education.  
HOME CARE AIDE, HOME OWNER, NURSE, BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

11. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission: HOME OWNER WHO PAYS TAXES. INTERESTED IN FAIR TAXATION.

References (please include daytime telephone number): TAMMY VALENTI 360) 303-4626

Signature of applicant: Sonja Merk

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Board of Equalization  
District 5 Incumbent

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO WHATCOM COUNTY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY and COMPLETE ALL ITEMS

Name: Tammy Valenti Date: 12-12-18  
Street Address: 452 11th Street  
City: Blaine Zip Code: 98230  
Mailing Address (if different from street address): \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Telephone: Cell Evening Telephone: Cell Cell Phone: 360-303-4626  
E-mail address: rjvalenti@comcast.net

- Name of board or committee-please see reverse: BOE
- You must specify which position you are applying for.  
Please refer to vacancy list. Board member district #5
- Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?  
(If applicable, please refer to vacancy list.) \_\_\_\_\_  yes ( ) no
- Which Council district do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) One ( ) Two ( ) Three ( ) Four  Five
- Are you a US citizen? \_\_\_\_\_  yes ( ) no
- Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? \_\_\_\_\_  yes ( ) no
- Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission? \_\_\_\_\_  yes ( ) no  
If yes, dates: 2015-2018
- Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County? \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) yes  no  
If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055, see instructions) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county? \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) yes  no

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- Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education.  
Property manager 10 years  
HOA Management 5 years
- Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission:  
Enjoy the real estate and tax part of the Board, very interesting!

References (please include daytime telephone number):  
Sonya Mork: 360-305-8880, Wes Vandoornik: 360-961-3551

Signature of applicant: Tammy Valenti

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