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**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Advisory Group Application  
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## Advisory Group Application

### Step 1

#### Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Advisory Groups

##### Public Statement

**THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT:** As a candidate for a public advisory group, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All advisory group members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title	Mrs.
First Name	Sheila
Last Name	Wood
Today's Date	1/7/2025
Street Address	<div></div>
City	<div></div>
Zip	<div></div>
Do you live in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	Field not completed.
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Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
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### Step 2

1. Name of Advisory	Birch Bay Community Advisory Committee
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## Group

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 5
4. Have you ever been a member of this Advisory Group	No
5. 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
If yes, please explain	My husband and I both work in Whatcom County
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	<a href="#">Resume 1.7.2025.pdf</a>
7. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	<p>In November 2020, my husband and I moved to Birch Bay, where we purchased our first home and have lived full time since. Although we both work in other cities located within Whatcom County, I am invested in the future of Birch Bay and excited to see it thrive &amp; grow! Plus, possibly be a part of the process!</p> <p>I am currently employed at the Lynden Chamber of Commerce,</p>

where I organize events such as the Northwest Raspberry Festival, the Lynden Farmers Day Parade, and the NW Lighted Christmas Parade.

From 2021-2023 I was Executive Director of the Blaine Chamber of Commerce. This position included organizing large community events in Blaine, working closely with the city, staffing the Blaine Welcome Center, etc.

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8. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this Advisory Group.

Resident of Birch Bay, Washington

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References (please include daytime telephone number):

\*Gary Vis (Executive Director Lynden Chamber of Commerce)

[REDACTED]

\*Louise Mugar (Co Publisher at Point Roberts Press, Inc)

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Can provide more if needed.

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Appointment Requirements

I understand and agree

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Signature of applicant:

Sheila Wood

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Place Signed / Submitted

Lynden, WA

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# Sheila Wood



**BA Sociology**  
Washington State University

**BS Psychology**  
Washington State University

February 2023 – Present

**Event & Marketing Coordinator**

Lynden Chamber of Commerce

Organize Lynden community events including the Northwest Raspberry Festival, the Lynden Farmers Day Parade, and Lighted Christmas Parade. Secure sponsorships for each event. Coordinate bi- monthly networking meetings. Work closely with local businesses and the community. Manage the Lynden Chamber of Commerce website and calendar. Work closely with a board of directors.

July 2021 – January 2023

**Executive Director**

Blaine Chamber of Commerce

Organized the city of Blaine's annual community events including Blaine's Old Fashioned 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Established two events (now annual events in Blaine) *Oyster Fest & Art Studio Tours*. Coordinated the weekly farmers market. Staffed the Blaine Welcome Center. Grew chamber membership by 50%. Handled organization finances, billing, and presented to city council to secure funds. Connected with local businesses. Hosted monthly networking meetings for the Chamber. Worked closely with a board of directors.

February 2021 – July 2021

**Employment Specialist**

Employment Security Department- Remote

Temporary position with ESD. Conducted interviews with those facing unemployment and determined financial assistance and future work options. Proficient in all aspects of Microsoft Office & Teams.

February 2020 – February 2021

**Housing & Community Support Specialist**

Spokane County

Conducted intake interviews with referred homeless applicants in need of housing. Worked with housing authority, DSHS, and many other social programs. Kept consistent communication with each clients mental health counselor, probation officers, and landlords. Organized programs to help clients integrate into the community and work on communication skills. Advocated for my clients and was successful in securing apartments for them.

January 2019 – January 2020

**Research Assistant | Riverfront Park**

City of Spokane Parks & Recreation

Temporary position with the City of Spokane Parks & Rec: Riverfront Park. Helped to open the new pavilion (opened September 2019 as a concert venue). My position included purchasing for the interior of the building and set up & design of the actual concert venue. Worked with multi-million-dollar budget.

