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Caption Info:

Monroe School Board President Katy Woods introduces those gathered to cut the ribbon to officially open Monroe High Schools first ball field on Monday afternoon. Prior to the Fastpitch Softball team's 2016 season opener against Seattle Prep (Bearcats won 19-0), she introduced (back row, l-r) Scout Cudaback, Monroe City Councilwoman Patsy Cudaback, Eric Gold, architect from D.A. Hogan (partially hidden), School Board Director Jim Scott, Monroe City Councilman Kirk Scarboro, Councilman Ed Davis, School Board Director Jason Hutchinson, City Councilman Jason Gamble, City Councilman Jeff Rasmussen, MHS Athletic Director Mark Henderson, Monroe Mayor Geoffrey Thomas, front row, l-r, City Councilman Jim Kamp, School Board Director Darcy Cheesman, MHS Bearcats - Olivia Fenner, Kacey Hvitved, Morgan Allen (w scissors) and Megan Rybar, MHS Principal John Lombardi.

Construction of the \$1.39 million field was made possible by harvesting timber off school district-owned land, receiving generous grants from the county Tourism Promotion Area Advisory Board & the City of Monroe then adding in local school reserve dollars. The next phase of the ballfield complex begins in May with building an all-weather surface baseball field and a utility field. This phase is funded by the bond approved by local voters in April 2015.

