

The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah— June 2021

Thoughts From Mayor Dustin



Parks and Recreation—Cities provide two different types of services. There are the services that you HAVE to have or you can't have this many people living this close together. Sewers. Garbage. Flood control. Water. Streets. Police. Fire. Ambulance.

When I started my service as your Mayor, I thought that Mayor Shaun Dustin these were the only services that government ought to be concerned with; I figured everything else was optional. I

had a hard time understanding why parks, recreation programs, and public spaces were things that we should be spending tax dollars on. As I got to understand how mental health and crime and happiness all intersect with tax dollars, it became pretty clear to me that even though we don't have to invest in stuff like soccer or Heritage Days or parks, we are wise to do it. It saves us money over time, and if life is about the pursuit of happiness, we should be maintaining environments where that is possible.

We met with the Cache County Sheriff last week to talk about our service contract with them. According to nationwide statistics, we should have one police officer for every 500 residents. In a city of 7000 people, that's 14 police officers. An average police officer costs about \$150,000 per year. That means that if we were an average city, our budget for police would be about \$2,100,000 per year. That's 50% of our total budget. Our actual police budget this year is about \$130,000. That's 6% of what the national data says we could be. Why?

I believe the programs we have hold us together. They provide places and spaces for us to get to know each other, to get outside into nature, and to interact with each other. Our parks, trails, and recreation programs are critical to being able to do that. We design our parks and sidewalks to encourage people to get out and spend time together. Have you noticed how wide some of our trail sidewalks are? They are 10 feet wide because they are designed for two mobility scooters or two double-wide strollers to be able to go side by side. We are investing in more open space and more trails. When people have places they can go, where they feel they have ownership and investment in the community, it reduces vandalism, increases health, and helps us all to get a little closer to that goal of happiness.

This year we will be building more of these connections. We are going to be finishing out the last section of sidewalk in Nibley by Heritage Elementary. We will also be building a trail around the beautiful wetland behind City Hall and finishing the bike track in Ahnder Park. Last but not least, I will be bringing forward a proposal for a community center to facilitate indoor recreation programs in the City. If we are going to spend money, I'd rather spend it on programs and facilities to pull us together than on jails to keep us apart.



EMS Services

Last year, the Nibley City Council was required to find an agency to provide essential emergency medical services for Nibley City residents and contracted with Cache County to provide these services. The good news is, Cache County provides an increase to Nibley's historic level of service by having a licensed paramedic on staff, an ambulance stationed in Hyrum for faster response times, and provides ongoing training to Nibley's first responders. This means Nibley residents will have an even greater level of emergency service if you find yourself in a life threatening, emergency situation.

Unfortunately, this change comes at a cost. To cover this cost, the Nibley City Council will consider adding a \$6/ month fee on each residential utility bill, on June 10, 2021. This charge will provide the revenue to cover both the ambulance and the management of the Nibley's First Responder unit.



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Recreation Roundup



June 12-19

See: http://nibleycity.com/index.php/latest-city-news/638-heritage-days-returning-live-2021

Ultimate Frisbee—Registration for Ultimate Frisbee is now open for youth, ages 8-14. **Registration closes Tuesday, June 8.** Play will be on weekday evenings, avoiding Friday and Saturday games. If you don't know how to play, no worries. The first portion of the scheduled games will be a practice led by older, experienced players that will instruct participants on the finer points of the game. Ultimate Frisbee is the perfect sport to keep your child active this summer and is great cross training for flag and tackle football, soccer, basketball, and more.



Report Illegal Discharge to Nibley City 435-752-0431

Cleaning Your Car and Driveway—Dirty water containing soaps, detergents, gasoline, heavy metals from rust, metals and other elements from brake linings, rubber, benzene and chromium, residue from exhaust fumes, and motor oils can wash off cars and flow directly to storm drains and into the nearest creek or stream where it can harm water quality and wild life.

What Can You Do to Help?—The best way to minimize the environmental effects of washing your car is to use a commercial carwash. Carwash facilities are required to treat their wash water discharge before releasing it to the sanitary sewer system where the water is treated prior to release back into our water sources. Some facilities even recycle their wash water—reusing it several times before sending it to water treatment facilities.

Also, be sure to sweep driveways, patios, and sidewalks rather than hosing them down into the storm drains. Put lawn clippings in a compost pile or garbage can.



Looking Ahead

- Movies in the Park—Watch our Facebook posts for a chance to place your vote on your movie preferences. Plan on a movie in the park on July 9 or 10 and August 27.
- **Fall Soccer**—Registration June 1 through July 16.
- **Flag Football**—Registration June through the end of July.
- **Stay Tuned**—Harry Potter Summer Camp and Youth Pickleball may happen late this summer.



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Niblettes in the News



Nibley resident, Bob Sagers has been an actor/ model for the past 10 years. He has participated in religious productions such as the LDS Bible Videos, the TV series "The Chosen", "Jane and Emma", "Out of Liberty", and "The Trial of Porter Rockwell". In some

of his productions he robbed trains with Jesse James and cheered on LeBron James. He recently had a starring role in a western comedy, "The Counterfeit Kid". He's been in movies, commercials, documentaries and music videos. His favorite music video was filmed at the Salt Flats with singer Ryan Stream. The video is called, "I Wonder," and was made to bring awareness to drug addiction. The art he has modeled for can be seen around the world in temples, churches, LDS visitor centers, books, and the Ensign magazine. Acting and modeling are just some of Bob's hobbies.

Bob has also collected PEZ dispensers since he was 10 years old. He doesn't know how many dispensers he has but his family will contest, he has thousands of them. He lost count after 600. He even had many on display at the Hyrum Library. If you're throwing out some dispensers, he would be willing to give them a good home.

Bob and his wife Miriam have been residents nearly 20 years and have 5 children. They enjoy the recreation and activities available to Nibley residents and have recently taken up disc golf to make use of a nearby course. They participated in the Hopstacle Course and Bob has even won the Heritage Days Beard Contest.

The Sagers recently started a mobile Nerf tag/archery tag business called Duck n Dodge. They can turn your backyard, school, gym, or park into a battlefield with their Nerf blasters, archery equipment, and bunkers. You can learn more about their business at duckndodge.biz.



Reminders from Nibley City Staff



Nibley's Animal Residents

Please assist us in keeping Nibley City's parks clean and an enjoyable for everyone. Most pet owners know that it's common courtesy to take small plastic bags with them when they walk their dogs and to clean up any "de-

posits" their pups may leave. It doesn't matter if you're walking on a trail, or walking down the sidewalk, you need to pick up after your dog. Bags are provided at Heritage Park.

Dog are not allowed at Nibley's Firefly Park. Firefly Park is a special space intended to be a habitat and preservation space for native vegetation, insects, birds, and other wildlife. Unfortunately, dogs can be a nuisance in these natural spaces and are therefore not allowed.

When enjoying Nibley City's other parks, please follow leash laws and keep your dog(s) on a leash and stick to areas that are designated for both dogs and dog owners.

Finally, Nibley City ordinance prohibits the trespass of animals on another person's property. Please remember that, while you may enjoy the company and caretaking responsibilities of owning an animal, your neighbor may feel differently. So keep your "best friend(s)" close.

Park Pavilion Reservation

Nibley City park pavilion reservations are now open and City staff has already seen quite a few pavilion reservations already. Make sure to reserve your use of a Nibley City pavilion as soon as possible to ensure you don't miss your chance.

Click on,"Facility Rental" at the bottom of the Nibley City home page to make a reservation. If you have any questions, please call the Nibley City offices.

-Nibley City Staff

Recycling Do's and Don'ts

Most homes who actively participate in the curbside recycling program do their best to recycle only the things that should be placed in the blue recycling container, but Logan Environmental is still seeing more contamination than they would like. Below is a graphic detailing what is accepted. Please make every effort reduce contamination and divert waste from the landfill by ensuring you are only placing appropriate items in your recycle can.



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Cache Valley Wildlife Association

The Monarchs & Other Winged Wonders festival will be held Thursday, June 24, from 4 p.m. to dusk at Heritage Park (2456 South 800 West) in Nibley. Come celebrate our local winged wonders such as monarch butterflies, fireflies, bees, night pollinators, bats, and birds. Dance to live music, eat delicious food and snacks, and participate in learning activities. At dusk, it's lights out to ensure the fireflies can do their thing. We'll have red cellophane to allow for our night vision and cover glaring light from flashlights that hinder the fireflies.



We look forward to seeing you there! Visit their Facebook page or scan the QR code for more information about the amazing bands, vendors, and sponsors supporting this event. If you have ques-

tions about the event, contact them through their Facebook page: www.facebook.com/groups/monarchsando-therwingedwondersfestivalutah.

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Code Enforcement Corner



Levi Roberts City Planner levi@nibleycity.com Nibley City recently updated its Nuisance ordinance and city staff has been at work to enforce this adopted city code. As defined in the ordinance, nuisances include 'whatever is dangerous to human life or health, deleterious, injurious, nox-

ious, unsightly and whatever renders soil, air, water or food impure or unwholesome.' Specific and common nuisance violations include:

- Garbage Accumulation
- Unsheltered storage of personal property which includes keeping depositing or scattering of objects or equipment.
- Vehicles parked in the front yard, outside of a driveway
- Storing unsheltered inoperable vehicles for longer than 30 days
- Discharging offensive liquid waste
- Obstructing public ways or water courses
- Dead or diseased trees
- Weeds that create a fire hazard, a source of contamination or are unsightly or deleterious to their surroundings.

You may have recently received a violation letter from the City. Nobody likes to receive these letters, but City Staff has found that most residents take care of violations very promptly. The Ordinance provides that we must give any violators at least 10 days to abate the condition. In many cases, the City gives up to 30 days to take care of the condition. Our goal in enforcing this ordinance is to keep Nibley safe, healthy and beautiful. We really appreciate your cooperation in improving our City. If you have any questions about code enforcement, please reach out to Levi Roberts.



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Happenin' in Hyrum

Nibley City contracts with the Hyrum Library, Hyrum Senior Citizen Center and Hyrum Museum. If you are a Nibley resident you are invited to participate in these services. You'll find information regarding Hyrum's contributions to Nibley's community below:

The Senior Center

675 East Main, Hyrum • 245-3570

The Hyrum Senior Center is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All seniors are welcome, as are volunteers. Thy are still serving drive-up lunches, at no charge, through the month of June.

The Senior Center is thankful for the valley seniors and volunteers during this past year. They have missed seeing your smiles and look forward to fully opening the center. They wish you a wonderful month and a happy Father's Day.

June Senior Center Activities

Please note that times and dates may change for activities.

Mondays- No lunch is served.

- Jun 14 Breakfast and Bingo at 9:00 a.m.
- Jun 21 Possible Road Trip at 9:30 a.m.

Tuesdays-Yoga class from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Quilt tying from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Pool from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- Jun 8 Tip Class at 11:00 a.m. Please sign up.
- Jun 22 Hand & Foot card game at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays—Free drive up lunches at 12:00 p.m.

Pool from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- Jun 16 Singing with Lezlee Monroe. Those coming for the program can plan to eat lunch inside.
- Jun 30 Patriotic program and lunch.

Thursdays-No lunch is served

• Jun 10 Mystery Trip at 9:30 a.m.

<u>Fridays</u> – Free drive up lunches at 12:00 p.m.

Pool from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Bingo at 10:45 a.m.

The Hyrum Library

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-6411 • hyrumlibrary@gmail.com *Library hours and activities are subject to change without notice.

Library Hours: Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

The library is operating as normal; however, they do encourage those who are feeling sick to stay home

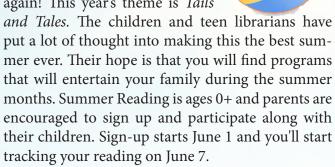
and utilize contactless hold pick-up.

Contactless hold pick-up: Simply login to your library account, place items on hold (all holds are pulled before 10:00 a.m. the next day). Once you receive an email that they are ready for pick up. Simply call the library when you arrive and they will place them outside by the main doors of the library.

New Library Cards: The Utah State library has awarded the library new library cards. The library is asking everyone to make time and pick up your new card. If you have questions, please give them a call.

Checking out items might take a little longer than normal as they update your information and swap your card number.

Summer Reading is here once again! This year's theme is *Tails*



The plan is to have in-person programs, but please note that all programs and times could be canceled or changed without notice. For the most up-to-date information like the library on all social media platforms @hyrumlibrary.

The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-6411

Save the date for *Hot Wheels in Hyrum* on Saturday, June 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Hyrum City Square. This car show fundraiser will be revamped due to COVID: cars will be parked farther apart, there will be no vendors or prize drawings, and instead of cooking hot dogs, there will be a bunch of food trucks. The library will also be launching our *Passport to Summer Fun* activity for children. To

pre-register your vehicle or to apply for a food truck booth, visit the museum or hyrumcitymuse-um.org.

