# The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—May 2018

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## **Thoughts From Mayor Dustin**





**Mayor Shaun Dustin** 

An Infinity of Dogs-I get asked about once a month to meet with kids-sometimes for Scouts, sometimes just for civics. A few weeks ago, we had the whole second grade from Heritage Elementary. This is one of my favorite things to do; if you want brutal honesty about aspirations, concerns and dreams, talk to a second grader. And if you can explain to a second grader what taxes are and get a consen-

sus on why they are important, then that's a good day.

We have a good time. I usually take kids on a tour of the City offices, then we head into the City Council chambers. This is where we talk about what the City is and how it works. We talk about how a City Council meeting runs and pick an issue that's important to the kids. We look at it from many sides and then I put them in the Council chairs—they become the City Council. We have a City Manager, a Recorder, and a Mayor. The Mayor presents the issue to the Council and the Council debates and votes.

The Heritage second graders wanted to talk about how many dogs we should be allowed to have in the City. There is generally a limit of two per home under Nibley City's current ordinance. The debate was supposed to be between allowing two and three dogs but one maverick child said that because dogs are so awesome, an infinity of dogs was the best. I don't recall how the council voted, but after the council was done, we polled the rest of the kids, and if I remember right, *infinity* was the will of the (2nd grade) people.

This might seem silly to some, but this kind of a discussion opens the door to talk about more complicated issues like the impact of dogs. Once we got them thinking critically, they asked some really good questions—what about barking? What about dog catchers? What about puppies and dog food? Who cleans up the poop? We can choose to have an infinite number of dogs, but these kids recognized that when we make a policy, it has consequences. Those consequences have costs. If we want more dogs, more fire hydrants, wider streets, (continued on page 2)



## **Nibley City Offices Closed**

The Nibley City offices will be closed *Monday*, *May 28*, *2018* for Memorial Day.



## **Happy Mother's Day**

Mother's Day is on Sunday, May 13.

"Where will our country find leaders with integrity, courage, strength-all the family values-in ten, twenty, or thirty years? The answer is that you are teaching them, loving them, and raising them right now."

—Barbara Bush



#### **Nibley City Office**

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Public Office Hours-Tuesdays
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

If you have comments, or information that could be included in the newsletter, please contact *cheryl@nibleycity.com*.

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bigger parks, more water, soccer fields, libraries, police, and fire protection, we have to pay for them.

I used to think that a politician's biggest responsibility was to make policy. Ordinances, laws, rules, that kind of stuff. I don't believe that anymore. I think that the Mayor and Council's biggest and most important job is to be stewards and balance policy with cost. When we are elected, people are telling us that they trust us to use the resources we have been entrusted with wisely, to provide services they want, at the most efficient price we can.

That means that the budget is arguably the most important thing that the Council does. As the Mayor, I am responsible for preparing the budget and presenting it to the Council. By State law, the Council has to review the budget twice, once in May and once in June. It then has to be passed in June. Nibley City staff and I begin work on the budget in January. It is a process that I take seriously because if you want to know what the priorities of the City really are, they are the things that we spend money on.

I've spent the last four years working with city staff and the Council to make the budget as transparent and easy to read as possible. Every line in it comes with an explanation, and if I don't understand it from that explanation without looking anywhere else, we rewrite it until it works.

I hope that anyone who has concerns or curiosity about priorities and where your money is going will go to the City website and take a look at the budget. You will be able to see everything laid out in black and white.

And to the (I assume) great disappointment of the Heritage Elementary Second Grade, I have not made any provision for infinity dogs. Sorry kids. I love you, but it's just not going to fit in the budget.

Mayor Dustin

## **Budget for Preparedness**



Rick Williams
Nibley City
Emergency Manager

In a recent household survey, FEMA learned more than a quarter of participants believe getting prepared is too expensive. But creating a disaster preparedness kit does not have to be costly. Many of the items for your kit may be found

around your home and can be rotated during daily use.

- 1. Determine Your Needs—a list of basic supplies can be found at https://www.ready.gov/build-a-kit#.
- 2. Gather the items that you already own in an easy to reach location—use a few plastic totes to house most of your emergency supplies. Then have a bag or backpack for each member of your household. Put them in an easy to reach location.
- 3. Look for Sales-keep your eyes open for the emergency items that you don't have. Scan the clearance sections of seasonal items; camping items go on sale at the end of summer, back packs after schools start, light sticks after Halloween, candles at Christmas, and basic household supplies and organizers after the New Year.
- 4. Shop Wisely—remember not to buy food you will hate or wouldn't otherwise buy. Make sure you check the dates on your supplies before the foods hit their expiration dates and make sure you use it.
- 5. Preparedness should be a family affair—be sure to involve everyone in preparedness purchases and decisions. Crises are already a stressful time for individuals and families. By taking the proper steps ahead of time, you can ensure that emergencies don't cause an unmitigated strain on you, your family or your funds.

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## **Community Clean-Up**

Nibley City offers a budget friendly way to dispose of your yard waste and excess cardboard and glass when you utilize Nibley's nearby greenwaste facility at 3390 South 1200 West. This site saves you a drive to Logan.

In addition, Nibley City budgeted to provide additional drop off locations for household debris of gently used items appropriate for donation to Deseret Industries. Dejunk your garage or donate the bike that your child has outgrown. During the second weekend in May, dumpsters and DI Pods will be offered and we'll haul these items to the Logan Landfill or the DI for you. Be ready **Thursday, May 10** at **8:00 a.m.** through **Saturday, May 12** until **8:00 p.m.** at **Anhder Park** (294 West 3200 South) and **Virgil Gibbons Heritage Park** (2450 South 800 West). This service has been very popular in the past, so be sure to plan ahead and have your items ready to be hauled away.

We're sorry but the following items will NOT be accepted.

Antifreeze Computers/Monitors Household Cleaners Motor Oil Propane Cylinders

Batteries Fertilizer Yard Chemicals Insecticides Pesticides
Fungicide Paint/Paint Thinner A/C Units Refrigeration Unit Bleach

Televisions Gasoline/Other Fuel Anything w/Mercury Pool/Spa Chemicals

Transmission Fluid ANY product with Caution, Warning or Danger on the label

If you have any questions, please call the Nibley City Office or email stephen@nibleycity.com.

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## **Reminders from Nibley City Staff**

The Budget Process

State law requires the City Council adopt the first draft of the annual budget at the Council's first meeting in May and the final draft will need to be adopted by the second meeting in June. Nibley City is currently preparing the 2018-19 fiscal year budget. The draft budget will be presented to the City Council at their meeting on May 3, 2018. Citizens are encouraged to participate in the budget process. The Nibley City Council meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Nibley City Hall. All meetings are open to the public. Agendas, minutes, and audio recordings of these meetings are posted on the Nibley City website and at www.pmn.utah.gov.

#### Park Pavillion Reservations

Nibley's four park pavilions can be reserved online. Park pavilions cost \$25 per pavilion for each reservation made. The pavilions can be reserved by going to www.nibleycity.com. Click on the blue button on the right side labeled "Facility Rental." If you have any questions, please call the Nibley City offices. In the warmer months, pavilion space goes quickly, so be sure to plan ahead.

#### Nibley's Animal Residents



Most pet owners know that it's common courtesy CLEAN UP to take small plastic bags with them when they walk their dogs and to clean up any "deposits" 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. Doing so helps prevent the spread

of parasites and disease between dogs and people.

It is also against Nibley City ordinance to allow your animals to trespass on another person's property. Please remember that while you may enjoy the company and caretaking responsibilities of owning animals, your neighbor may feel differently.

—Nibley City Staff

#### The Senior Center

675 East Main, Hyrum • 245-3570

#### May Calendar

Mondays - Quilting and pool

- Breakfast & Bingo for a Buck at 10:30 a.m. • May 7 Board meeting at 1:00 p.m.
- May 21 Breakfast & Bingo for a Buck at 10:30 a.m.
- May 28 CLOSED

Tuesdays - Chair yoga at 9:30 a.m. Games at 12:30 p.m.

Awesome Tip class at 11:00 a.m. May 8

Wednesdays-Most programs start at 12:30 p.m.

- May 2 Piano with Diane Hardy
- May 9 *The Greatest Show.* Mother's Day party. Bring a female relative or friend at 12:00 p.m. <u>RSVP by May 7</u>. Cost \$3.00.
- May 16 Singing with Becky & Dean
- May 23 Accordion with Jean McFee
- May 30 Representatives from Victim Services

#### Thursdays-No lunch is served

- May 10 Quilting for Little Lambs
- May 24 Mystery road trip Fridays- Bingo at 12:30 p.m.



Report Illegal Discharge to **Nibley City** 435-752-0431

#### Cleaning Your Car & Driveway

Dirty water containing soap, 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 eventually flow to storm drains and into the nearest creek or stream where it can harm water quality and wildlife.

Small concentrations of detergents in streams can kill fish and their eggs, as well as inhibit their ability to reproduce. Detergents can also destroy the natural protections fish have against bacteria and parasites and can severely damage a fish's gills. Excess phosphates from soap can cause algae to grow in our waterways which makes water cloudy, green, unattractive, smelly and unhealthy for swimming, boating, fishing, or drinking.

The best way to minimize the environmental effects of washing your car is to use a commercial car washing facility. Commercial facilities are required to treat their wash water discharge before releasing it to the sanitary sewer system and 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 the sanitary sewer and water treatment facilities.

If going to a commercial car wash isn't in your personal budget, you can wash your car at home and be more environmentally safe. Wash your car at a site where the wash water can soak into grass, gravel, or be diverted to nearby landscaping. Be sure to sweep driveways, patios, and sidewalks rather than hosing them down into the gutters and storm drains. Put lawn clippings in a compost pile, garbage cans, or at Nibley's greenwaste facility.

## **\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$** \$ \$ \$ \$ The Hyrum Library

Nibley City budgets for and pays \$35 for each active library card held by a Nibley City resident. This is a great value and gives Nibley's residents access to all the services offered by the library. There are currently 692 Nibley residents who have a Hyrum library card.

The library is busy preparing for summer reading. The theme this year will be *Libraries Rock*. The kick-off party will be Monday, June 4.

- Musical Mondays: Toddler Story—10:30 & 11:00 **a.m.** For toddlers up to age 3.
- Whimsical Wednesday: Story Time—11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. For ages 3-5.

## Recreation Roundup



#### Heritage Days-Save the Date

This year's Heritage Days kicks off with the Fun Run & Disc Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 16 and will wrap-up with

a grand finale show and fireworks display on Saturday, June 23. Plan on a variety of exciting activities during the week, including the family festivities at Elkhorn Park, quilt and art shows, Nibley Children's Theatre performances, a parade and more.



## Heritage Days Beard & Moustache Contest

This year, to help us celebrate Nibley, we have included a Beard and Mustache contest during the annual Heritage Days celebration.

Fabulous prizes will be awarded in several different categories so let those whiskers grow!

"In June 1970, a special program was held honoring the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Nibley Ward and the beginning of the town. A celebration was held with sports and games at the ballpark. Food was sold throughout the afternoon and evening. All members over 80 were honored. There was also a beard contest."

-Nibley City History Book

## Volunteering



**Chad Wright** Volunteer today for the com-Nibley Recreation munity you want to live in. Services Director Youth sports, fun runs, Heritage Days and other commu-

nity events and programs all depend on volunteer support. Learn more about volunteer opportunities and service projects by contacting Chad Wright or simply sign up online through www.Justserve.org. Thank you to the dedicated voters that have shared their time, energy and passion to make this a great community.

"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy." You vote in elections once a year but when you volunteer, you vote everyday about the kind of community you want to live in."

Nibley Fit

-Majorie Moore

Many of you will start to venture out into the spring and summer weather to meet your fitness goals. Don't forget the value of cross training, which you can get at Nibley's Fit classes. Balanced muscle strength is critical to avoid injury and cannot be accomplished by running alone. One avid runner, and Nibley Fit participant,

shared with our instructor that, by attending the HIIT class, she hasn't had the typical trouble with her knees she experienced with running alone. We also encourage you to work yoga into your recovery day to improve

your breathing, flexibility, and focus. Bring a friend, eat an apple, and avoid the physical therapist by attending Nibley Fit classes with certified fitness instructors.



Egg Run-Thank You



Once again, the Nibley City Youth Council filled the eggs and helped us with the annual Egg Run. Nibley City expresses our appreciation of them, especially Kayden Hudson our Easter Bunny Runner. We'd also like to congratulate the special award 5K winners in the stroller, canine runner, and bunny-hop finish. These categories keep growing as Nibley City puts the fun back into Fun Run.

## Muffins With the Mayor



The subject for Muffins with the Mayor this month is our city budget. Come share your thoughts and opinions with Mayor Dustin on Saturday, May 12 from 8:30-9:30 a.m.

#### Nibley Children's Theatre

This summer, the NCT is taking us to visit the Wonderful Wizard of Oz. Sign-up for the play beginning April 1—May 12 at www.nibleychildrenstheatre.weebly.com. Auditions for speaking roles (ages 8+) will be at Nibley City Hall on Friday, May 11 from 5-8:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 12, 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Rehearsals will be the mornings of June 11-20. You must be at EVERY rehearsal in order to do the show. Performances are June 21 and 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Families are required to give at least 4 hours of volunteer time if you'd like to participate in NCT. Contact Emily Rigby at nibleychildrenstheatre@gmail.com with questions or concerns.