

The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah— February 2024

Mayor Jacobsen's Message



It doesn't matter whether it's chickens, dogs, cats, goats, or horses-the animals we keep are members of our families and part of our community. We provide care for those animals and receive the benefits of that care, including companionship and locally-produced food. Those animals fit into Nibley's rural heritage, and deciding on appropriate

Mayor Larry Jacobsen land uses for those animals is one of the reasons we have local governments. Animal land use that limits the number and type of animals that residents may keep is one of the best examples of how "in your face" municipal government can be. Do we really need to regulate animals in Nibley? I suggest that once we decided to live next to one another, we also accepted that we must somehow draw the line between individual property rights and the rights of the community. Reconciling "I can do whatever I want on my property, but I want to have a say in what happens next door" is the job of writing and enforcing local ordinance. Sounds easy, right?

The Nibley Planning Commission and City Council recently overhauled our animal land-use ordinance. In the past twenty-some years, I have been through this process twice, and I don't think there is a more difficult ordinance to write. Afterall, we are talking about regulating members of our families. On the other hand, the sounds and smells associated with those family members don't stop at our property boundaries. Nibley City started this ordinance overhaul from a complaint about animals on a neighbor's lot. The complaint was valid; the number of animals was not allowed by the ordinance. As the city took steps towards enforcement on that property, "What about those animals on that other property?" led to knowledge of more noncompliance. Several cycles of this led to discovering a broad level of noncompliance, leaving the city with three choices: swing the hammer of code enforcement under the current ordinance, ignore the current ordinance, or review and possibly change the ordinance. We chose the last. We put a large effort into this option, and we received lots of citizen involvement. The result is a new, less-restrictive animal land-use ordinance that, in general, allows more animals on smaller lots. I encourage you to have a look at the new ordinance, especially for outdoor animals.

The goal of any municipal ordinance is to create happy, harmonious, and healthy communities. No matter how hard we work to create great ordinances, the very best way to make happy, harmonious, and healthy neighborhoods is to be aware of your neighbor's point of view. In my status reports on the Nibley website under the Mayor's Journal, I have referenced the Dignity Index (www. dignityindex.us) several times. To speak with dignity, even on difficult topics, we must work to understand each other's points of view. You might wonder how your neighbors feel about the impact of your animals. If you aren't sure, please don't wait for them to tell you (or worse, complain to the city). Instead, I encourage you to go ask your neighbors yourself.

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Dog Registration

Great news! Dog registration has now moved online. You may register a new dog or renew a current license. New dog licenses can be done at any time by going to www.Nibleycity.com under Citizens; Dog Licensing. If you have a current license, you will be emailed a link to do a renewal online.

Current dog licenses expire on February 29 and if you license before March 1, you will get early-bird pricing (a \$10 discount).

If needed, you may be required to upload current rabies information during registration. If your rabies vaccination is expired, Nibley City is hosting a Rabies Vaccination Clinic on February 3, 2024, at Nibley City Hall from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Vaccinations will be administered by North Cache Veterinary Service for the price of \$25 and all proceeds will go to help veterinary students. Nibley City staff will also be on site to help you with the online renewal process.



Nibley City Office

455 West 3200 South Nibley, UT 84321 • Ph: 752-0431 Hours: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.)

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To contact Mayor Larry Jacobsen 435-512-7495 • larry@nibleycity.com



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

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Reminders from Nibley City Staff

We're Closed

Nibley City Hall will be closed on Monday, February 19 in observance of Presidents' Day.

Consumer Confidence Report



Nibley City's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2023 is now available online at www.NibleyCity. com. Nibley City's Water Department prides itself on providing clean, dependable water to Nibley's residents.

Utility Discount for Military Deployment



Are you deployed or do you know a Nibley citizen who is deployed? The Nibley City Council offers support to our citizens serving in the military and to their sacrificing families. There is a Nibley City ordinance that reduces their utility costs by 50% for any Nibley citizen who is currently deployed by 50%. Contact Amy at Nibley City Hall for details.

Parking Tickets

Winter parking regulations are still in place and were enacted to keep streets clear should Nibley's Public Works department need to clear the roadways after a storm. Be sure to keep your vehicles off the street through Apr 1 from 12:00-6:00 a.m. to avoid a parking ticket.

Nibley Royalty Academy

The Nibley City is seeking dedicated volunteers interested in creating a happy, healthy, connected community through its new Nibley Royalty Academy Leadership Training program for young women. The objective of the Nibley Royalty Academy is to inspire and build strong, confidant, future women leaders.

Directors will plan, organize, and implement Nibley's new yearlong Royalty Academy leadership training program. Directors will coordinate leadership training workshops, community service projects, and a full pageant experience for our youth with support from the Nibley City Recreation department, a secretary, a treasurer and a committee.



If you are interested, please complete the form found by scanning the QR code.

—Nibley City Staff

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When you take the initiative to learn about your impact on the neighborhood, it creates the opportunity for a meaningful discussion. Think about the converse. What attitude do we start with when a neighbor shows up to complain about a perceived impact? Worse yet, when a neighbor complains to the city, and code enforcement shows up to start an enforcement process? To finish, I can't help quoting Red Green, the lead character from a PBS sitcom that ran from 1991 to 2006: "Remember, I'm pulling for ya. We're all in this together!" YouTube still has some great episodes (and more great quotes) from watching for opportunities to give your nominations the Red Green Show.



Niblette in the News Governor's Award for Excellence Highlight

Copied from Your #OneUtah Weekly Update, January 26, 2024

Each week, we're highlighting a state employee who was recently awarded the Governor's Award for Excellence. This week we're recognizing Nicholas Kenczka with the Utah State Tax Commission.

Nick has provided all Utah citizens a tangible financial benefit by modernizing our state's property tax systems to significantly improve fairness and accuracy in the assessment process. Through his innovative approach and dedication to excellence, Nick has successfully implemented cutting-edge heat-mapping and analysis technologies to allow county assessors to quickly identify properties in areas under their authority that may not have been treated equitably. The ability to perform this quick analysis allows the county assessors to rectify inequities before they have a detrimental financial impact on property owners. It is with great pride that we acknowledge Nick's remarkable achievements and look forward to witnessing the continued positive impact of his work on our state's property tax administration.

Thank you, Nick, for your dedication to the state of Utah. Keep up the great work!

Nick Kenczka was recently appointed to the Nibley City Planning Commission. Nibley City is also confident Nick will have a positive impact on Nibley City's planning processes. Nick is another example of the great residents of Nibley City.

Nominate a Niblette in the News



If you know of someone you'd like to nominate to be our Niblette in the News, please email cheryl@nibleycity.com with the resident's name, a brief summary of what makes

them awesome, and your contact information. Also, be *Larry* and feedback for Nibley City's 2024 Citizen of the Year.

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Recreation Roundup



Nibley Fit—Nibley Fit is offering a Love Yourself Challenge, February

are available at all Nibley Fit classes starting on the 1st. Participants should turn in their card by Feb. 16 at any Nibley Fit class to be entered to win amazing prizes.

Bring a guest for FREE to any Nibley Fit class February 8-14. Our instructors have some fun workouts planned you are going to LOVE.



SUPER STARTt Soccer & T-Ball—SUPER STARt programs are for 3 and 4-year-olds and follow a proven plan to keep the player's attention while rotating through skill

stations with their team. Soccer is held on Wednesday evenings. Registration is open now and closes on Feb. 6 or when filled. SUPER STARt T-ball registration is now through Feb. 27, or once filled. If session(s) are full please sign up for a different time or join the waitlist.



Nibley Rec High School Programs— Nibley Recreation continues to offer youth sport options for high school age youth. In 2024, programs currently include co-ed RECREATION LEAGUE SOCCER, co-ed softball, ultimate Frisbee.

These coed leagues are for ALL interested participants even if they have no experience with team sports. Players can request to be on the same team with several friends and Nibley Rec has dialed in some convenient game/practice scheduling to accommodate the youth's busy schedule. The programs are focused on creating a fun, safe, and friendly atmosphere, where players get valuable exercise and build social skills and confidence. Interested youth should ask about leadership opportunities for these programs.



Youth Soccer—Nibley Recreation Spring Soccer registration will end February 21. Register on or before Feb. 14 to take advantage of the early bird price and save \$10. Why register with Nibley Rec? Nibley

Rec Soccer is designed to match the attention span and motor skill development for every age group and is focused on helping your children develop FUNdamental skills. Nibley Rec Soccer further sets itself apart from others with an amazing end of season experience, including a parents' game for all leagues, and an end of season game experience you and your children will never forget.

Baseball, Softball, T-Ball (PreK-12th)—Registration for Baseball, Softball, and T-ball opens on February 7 and will close on March 19. Don't miss out on the Early Bird pricing and register on or before March 12. For convenience, Nibley City leagues will NOT overlap with soccer games for the same age group. Nibley Rec coaches are trained to make both practices and games fun, and you can count on your child making new friends as they learn the FUNdamentals of "America's National Past Time."

Update Your Family Calendar for 2024—Do you find it hard to juggle all the sports, registration dates, and season dates with Nibley Rec? We can help

you. Scan this QR code for the 2024 Youth Sports year at a glance, which includes projected sports, age groups/leagues, registration dates and expected season dates.





Adult Sports Programs—A survey will be posted on Nibley's website and Facebook page to share your thoughts

on Adult sports programs. In the past, Nibley Rec has offered adult drop-in soccer under the lights and hope to offer it again. Based on general feedback, Nibley Rec has also considered pickleball, kickball, and ultimate frisbee as options and would consider others if there is significant interest. If your children play in our programs you will receive an e-mail and a text asking you to complete a brief survey to tell us what works for you.

Upcoming Events—



HOPstacle Run: Save the date for Nibley's HOPstacle Run on March 30. This family friendly fitness event is exercise in disguise and includes obstacles runs, candy filled eggs, and fun EGGtivities. The HOPstacle 5K event registration is already open!

Heritage Days: Schedule Save the Date:

your camps, reunions, and vacations around this exciting week in Nibley. Activities will start on June 15 and end on June 22.





Find the most up-to-date information on Nibley City recreation events & activities at www.nibleycity.com



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From Cache County Animal Control

The mission of Cache County Sheriff's Animal Services is:

To provide and promote the most caring and humane treatment for the animals in our care.

We will strive to be at the forefront of providing resources for stray and abandoned animals as we practice the principles of socially conscious animal housing, as well as proper pet ownership throughout the valley.

Deputy Ledbetter reminds you that Nibley City requires animal licenses for dogs over the age of 6 months and that a license must be displayed on the animal's collar. To acquire a license, proof of a current rabies vaccination must be submitted to the city. A license attached to a dog's collar allows Animal Control to return your pet to your home quickly without the animal being impounded at the shelter.

Obtaining a microchip for your animals, while not required, is another way of identifying your animal and returning it to you. Microchips can be obtained from your veterinarian of choice, are relatively inexpensive, and allows Animal Control to scan the animal and obtain owner information if no collar or tags are present.

Animal Control currently does not respond to calls involving feral cats unless the animal is sick, injured, or was involved in a bite on a human being. Traps are available as a self service option, if available.

When winter temperatures go below 32 degress, small dogs and short coat breeds are particularly susceptible to colder weather. It is advised that these animals have access to a shelter that is insulated and off the ground or be outside no longer than 30 minutes.

Finally, if you suspect torture of an animal, or animal abuse, please contact dispatch at 435-753-7555.

GOAL FOR FEBRUARY

HAVE 72 HOURS OF WATER
STORED FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD

Purchase and store a 72-hour supply of commercially bottled water

Bottle a 72-hour supply of water at home

Learn how to provide a safe supply of drinking water for your household in a disaster

Go to www.dolthing.com
for more information.







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Happenin' in Hyrum

The Hyrum Library

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*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.



Food for Fines: February brings amnesty month. The library is collecting food for the Cache Food Bank. For every item donated they will subtract \$1.00 in fines.

- Story time (Ages 0-5): Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and Wednesdays at 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Pick a time that works best for you.
- CAPSA Story Time (Ages 0-5): Feb. 5 at 10:30 & 11:00 a.m. CAPSA will teach about empowerment.
- Art Time! (Ages 5-11): Tues. Feb. 6 from 4:00-5 p.m. Joint them for a fun Lunar New Year craft.
- Stokes Nature Center Story Time: Feb. 9 at 11:00 a.m. Enjoy stories and an activity with SNC.
- Lego's @ the Library: Feb. 7 and 21 from 4-5 p.m. in the Storytime room. Ages 5+. They supply the Legos, you supply the imagination!
- Magic Tree House Adventure Club: (Sign up is required): Feb. 9 or the 23rd at 3:30 p.m. The book that will be discussed is Magic Tree House #6 Afternoon on the Amazon.
- Food, Fun, and Reading (Ages 5-11): Tues. Feb. 13 from 4:00-5 p.m. Learn about MyPlate, hear a story, and enjoy and activity and snack. Presented by USU Extension

Teen Programs:

- Chess & Checkers Club (Ages 10+): Feb. 2 from 4–5:00 p.m. in the library meeting room.
- TAC (Teen Advisory Committee): Feb. 8 at 3:30 p.m. If you are interested in joining the TAC, stop in the library and ask for Deonna.
- Homework Hour: Thurs. Feb. 15 at 4:00 p.m. Enjoy a snack while you read, work on homework, or play a board game.
- Teen Activity: Tues. Feb. 23 at 4:00 p.m. Enjoy a program planned by the Teen Advisory Committee.

Adult Programs:

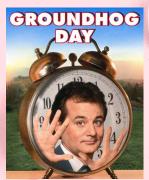
• Book Club (for Adults): Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 11:00 a.m. Join them for a book discussion on *The Invention of Wings*.

Family Programs:

• Family Movie & Popcorn: Monday, Feb. 12 at 4:00 p.m. in the Storytime Room. The movie is to be determined. Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.

The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-0208 museum@hyrumcity.com



Join us to watch *Groundhog Day* on Groundhog Day, Friday, February 2, on the Elite Hall's big screen! Doors open for their FREE Family Movie Night at 6:30 p.m. The movie begins at 7:00 p.m. Wear comfy clothes and bring your pillows, blankets, camp chairs, etc. and your own dinner and/or treats.

Learn all about "Amazing Mignon" at the Museum's monthly Back in Time children's activity on February 6–8 from 1:00–1:30 p.m. each day. Mignon Barker Richmond is an important figure in Utah history as the first African-American woman to graduate from a college in Utah, a prominent human rights activist, a mother, and a community leader. All children are welcome to attend and sign-up is encouraged.

The Hyrum Museum is pleased to partner with Utah's Sema Hadithi African American Heritage and Culture Foundation for their SUPER SATURDAY event on February 24. Sema Hadithi means "Tell the Story" in Swahili and Executive Director Robert Burch will join us at 11:00 a.m. in the city council chambers for a presentation on Utah's Black History. The museum will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Museum will also have an art activity to celebrate Black History Month

Be sure to drop by the Hyrum City Council chambers to see an exhibit by local artist and teacher Sami Bassett. Her sampling of woodcuts, linocuts, and intaglios is beautiful and worth the visit.

Hyrum Heritage Foundation

Bring your sweetheart to the valley's best big band music event of the year, Jazz Nights at Elite Hall-on February 8, 9, & 10! The Elite Hall is thrilled to host the USU jazz orchestra and ensemble for three evenings of incredible big band music and dancing. Dances start each night at 7:00 pm and tickets are only \$15 (\$10 with student ID)! Free dance lessons begin at 6:00 pm. Dinner is available Friday and Saturday for \$30 (includes dance ticket). This is the event to attend if you want to experience dancing on the Elite Hall's amazing spring-loaded

floor! Don't miss it!

Be sure to follow Hyrum City Museum on Facebook and Instagram or *hyrumcitymuseum.org* for the latest info on our exhibits, programming, and news.