



The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—April 2024

Mayor Jacobsen's Message



Mayor Larry Jacobsen

It is the time of year when Nibley City prepares the budget for the next fiscal year that runs from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Raise your hand if you get really excited about the Nibley City Budget. (Pause.) Raise your hand if you have ever looked at the Nibley City budget. (Pause.) What comes to mind when you think about a municipal budget? Perhaps rows and columns of confusing numbers that don't seem to relate to our community? I challenge you to look at the current budget on Nibley's website under Departments/Finance/Budgets. I think you might be surprised. It's not just a bunch of numbers. There are explanations about the city's revenue and expenses for the general fund that supports (1) parks, trails, and open space to acquire, develop, and maintain these assets, (2) street maintenance, (3) fire protection and emergency medical services, (4) law enforcement, and (5) basic governmental activities. You will also find revenues and expenses for specific departments that take care of culinary water, sewer, and storm water services. The budget defines the very essence of why Nibley City exists in the first place.

I wonder why it might be difficult for some folks to get excited about the budgeting process. Maybe it's because budgeting forces us to deal with constraints. It's a lot more fun to dream big about a beautiful destination than it is to wrestle with the obstacles of getting there. Nevertheless, as we aim for an ultimate goal, we need to embrace incremental progress. Because we have limited money, budgeting is incremental progress.

I thought about incremental progress in a recent meeting (one of many to come) to help us write Nibley's first-ever, standalone Active Transportation Plan. During this meeting, we were talking with the Cache County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC). This is a worthwhile group that does a good job of promoting active transportation throughout

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For the third year in a row, Mayor Larry Jacobsen and his wife, Becky Yeager, will give away 100 bare-root trees and shrubs in celebration of Arbor Day and Nibley's Tree City status.

"Bare roots," when planted in the spring, have an excellent chance of establishing in your landscape. The available trees and shrubs are quick growing, native species that do well in the northern Utah climate. All of them provide food and shelter for birds and nectar for pollinators. The varieties this year are redosier dogwood, peach leaf willow, buffaloberry, elderberry, chokecherry, and golden current. The last three produce berries that you can harvest to make tasty syrups and jams.

Larry and Becky will be handing out the free trees and shrubs on **Monday, April 22, from 5:30–6:30 p.m.** at the Nibley City Offices (455 West 3200 South). Please, one plant per household, until everyone gets a chance.



Nominations Needed

Nibley is an amazing place, filled with amazing, community minded individuals. Nibley City is seeking nominations for the 2024 Nibley Citizen of the Year Award. Nominations will be open until **Memorial Day, Monday, May 27**. Please take a moment to nominate a Nibley resident that has made a significant contribution to Nibley City and/or its citizens and has changed our community for the better. To nominate someone, scan this QR code and fill out the quick survey.



While you're at it, if you also know of someone you'd like to nominate to be a Niblette in the News (the resident is highlighted in an upcoming Nibley Newsletter) please email cheryl@nibleycity.com. Wow! You know a lot of amazing people. Maybe you should be nominating yourself?)



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Hours: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (Mon.–Fri.)

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www.nibleycity.com

Nibley City is also on



Go to www.facebook.com/nibley

and our page

To contact Mayor Larry Jacobsen

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

Reminders from Nibley City Staff



Curb Side Green Waste

Weekly curb side green waste pick up will begin on April 1 and will continue through the end of October. Waste Management and the Cache Waste Consortium have been negotiating the rate and have just recently settled on \$10.50 per month. Nibley City Council has yet to adopt this rate and will meet on **April 11 at 6:30 p.m.** at Nibley City Hall to discuss it. Historically, the Council has passed the rate charged by Waste Management straight through to Citizens. Citizens will see any rate adjustment on their monthly utility bill, for April services.

COMMUNITY Cleanup



Community Clean Up

Nibley City's annual Community Cleanup will be on **Saturday, April 20**. 4 large dumpsters, 2 for green waste and 2 for general debris, will be offered at 3413 South 1200 West, from **8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** This service gives Nibley residents the opportunity to dispose of your household debris and dejunk your yards and garage.* Public Works staff will be on hand that day to help you determine if your item(s) can be properly disposed of.

The dumpsters are only available until they are filled and this service has been very popular in the past. Be sure to plan ahead and have your items ready to be hauled away.

The following items will **NOT be accepted: tires, antifreeze, computers/monitors, household cleaners, motor oil, propane cylinders, batteries, fertilizer, yard chemicals, insecticides, pesticides, fungicides, A/C units, paint/paint thinner, refrigeration units, bleach, televisions, gasoline, other fuels, pool chemicals, transmission fluid, or anything containing mercury.*

—Nibley City Staff



Amy Johnson
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Hooray! It's Budget Season

Here at Nibley City we celebrate the budget process. When we begin working on the budget, each of our departments reflects on our priorities, accomplishments, and our goals. We welcome our citizens' input as well, which can happen at our first Nibley City Council meeting in May.

Priorities: What is most important to our citizens? What are the most critical things we need to accomplish? These are the questions we ask as we decide how our budget funds are spent.

Accomplishments: What did we accomplish this year? Were our funds spent according to the plans we made?

Goals: What will we try to do next year? How are the funds best spent to accomplish those goals that will make Nibley City a better place to live?

This year Nibley is adding some additional information to our budget, which will include specific, measurable goals and we will add some actual statistics on the work each department is doing so that we can quantify our ongoing efforts. We are also adding information about each department's future goals and plans as we project and plan a few years into our future.

Budget Facts

- Nibley City anticipated receiving \$18.4 million in revenues this current fiscal year, July 2023-June 2024. Almost \$5 million of those funds, or 27%, was anticipated to be sourced from grant revenue.
- Nibley's largest single source of annual income comes from sales tax (\$1.38 million in FY 2022-23). Monthly sales tax income is distributed from the State of Utah and is comprised of taxes that are collected from retail sales both in Nibley and throughout the state.
- Nibley plans for a balanced budget. This means we plan for 1 of 3 possible outcomes: Revenues > expenditures, revenues = expenditures, or revenue and any appropriated fund balances = expenditures.
- Nibley strives for transparency and accountability. Monthly financial statements, annual Budgets, and our Audited Financial Statements are available on our website for you to read.
- You can play a role in this process! By attending budget hearings beginning in May and watching Nibley's social media for announcements, you can review and see our budget before it is voted on. You can contact our City Council with any feedback you may have prior to the finalization of the budget.

We strive to do the best we can to use budgetary funds prudently and responsibly. Please take some time to review Nibley's financial information on our website.

JOIN Nibley City Youth Council

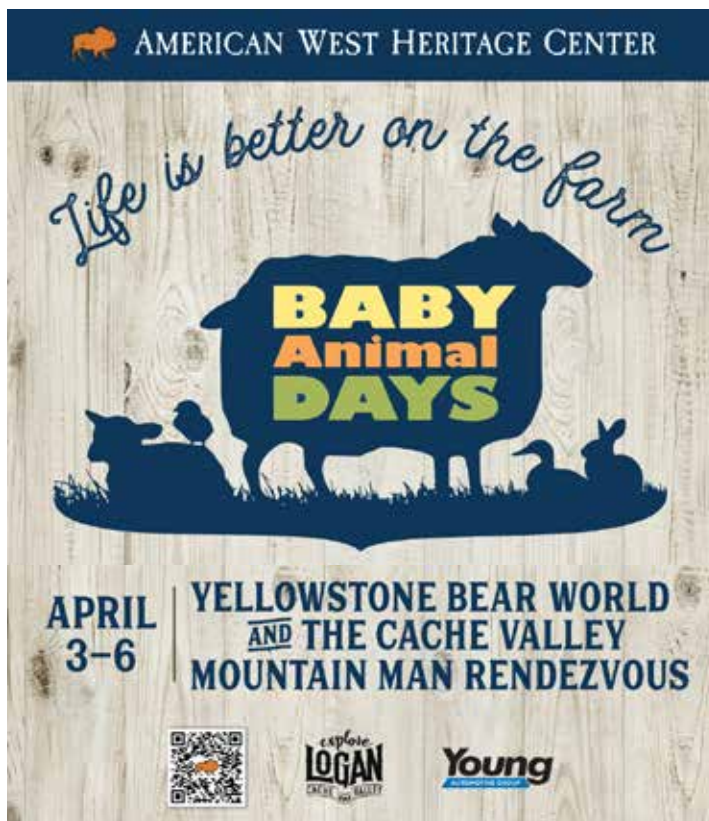
APPLICATIONS DUE ASAP!

- Scan the QR Code to apply online by April 30, 2024



REQUIREMENTS TO JOIN NYC

- Must be going into the 10th, 11th or 12th grade.
- Must be a Nibley resident



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our valley, and they had valuable advice for us. I like to dream about Nibley as a bike-and pedestrian-friendly community where conflicts between modes of transportation never happen. In this ultimate goal, we have separated bike lanes for all levels of riders and pedestrian trails that never compete with vehicle roads. While it's great to aim for that ultimate goal, we must embrace incremental progress.

As we were talking about safety in this meeting, I cited my own experience as a car driver and a bike rider, along with experiences shared with me by others, to voice an opinion that visibility of cyclists and pedestrians was a safety concern. I added that I intend to give away high-visibility vests to interested Nibley residents at some point in our plan-writing process. I was surprised by some push back from a couple of BPAC cyclists. They said that they would not wear a high-visibility vest because cities should provide infrastructure that was so safe that they didn't have to take that precaution. To me, it seemed that aiming for the ultimate goal was getting in the way of incremental progress. Dealing with a constrained budget means we cannot afford to immediately build the ultimate active transportation network. However, with proper planning, we can start on that network. In addition, as we ride and walk in Nibley, we can help drivers see us. Please note that this was not a contentious meeting, and it concluded with the BPAC members telling us they were impressed with Nibley's efforts to provide safe travel for all modes of transportation.

If you would like to share your thoughts on ultimate goals for our community, along with how to deal with constraints to achieve incremental progress, please call, text, or write anytime.

Larry

UTAH'S LANDSCAPE INCENTIVE PROGRAM

NIBLEY CITY

RESIDENTS ARE NOW ELIGIBLE

GET PAID TO REPLACE LAWN WITH WATER-EFFICIENT LANDSCAPING

UTAHWATERSAVERS.COM/NIBLEY

- BEGIN APPLICATION**
- SITE INSPECTION & PROJECT APPROVAL**
- BEGIN PROJECT**

STEP #1
Begin Landscape Incentive Program application @ utahwatersavers.com. Read and understand the program and application requirements.

STEP #2
If requirements are met, the agency facilitating your program will contact you to schedule a pre-project site inspection and approve the project.

STEP #3
If approval was given in step #2, you may begin your project.

UTAH Water Savers

[APPLY ONLINE @ UTAHWATERSAVERS.COM/NIBLEY](http://UTAHWATERSAVERS.COM/NIBLEY)

Nibley's on the Move

Nibley City is excited to announce the development of Nibley City's first-ever Active Transportation Plan!

This plan aims to create a safer and more connected community for those who walk, bike, and utilize other forms of active transportation.

Your Voice Matters!

Help us shape the plan and be entered to win one of ten (10) \$20 Amazon gift cards!

Here's how you can participate:
Take our quick survey and contribute to our interactive map: Share your experiences and suggest improvements! Together, let's make Nibley a vibrant and active community!

[QR Code](#)

Recreation Roundup

High School Co-Ed Softball Registration Extended—

Nibley Rec is excited to offer High School Co-Ed Softball for the second year. This league offers an awesome experience for 9th–12th grades, with custom shirts and hats and an end-of-season party! Come register and bring your friends from all over the valley to come play! More details at www.nibleycity.com.



Youth Ultimate Frisbee—WE WANT YOU TO JOIN THE TEAM. If you've never played a team sport, Youth Ultimate Frisbee is a great sport to try and is so easy to learn. This year Nibley's program is expanded to 2nd–12th graders. The Ridgeline UF team will offer a FREE skills clinic for all registered players. Registration is open April 3–May 14 with an early bird discount through May 7. The season is anticipated to run July 8–Aug 9, with weeknight games and lots of fun going into the late summer evenings at our local Nibley parks.



Heritage Days—Can you sense the anticipation!? Nibley City is getting ready for Nibley's annual city celebration. YOU can be getting ready for our Heritage Days fun run (registration is now open), children's theater production, chalk art, family festivities, parade and many more activities! Save the date for this week long celebration and we will see you there, **June 15–June 22.**



Nibley Fit—Nibley Fit is starting the spring quarter. Now is the best time to get a Nibley Fit pass. Their Quarterly Passes give you the best discount possible. Each time you attend a class,

you get a punch. Get 10 punches and receive TWENTY dollars off your next quarterly pass. This averages out to be only \$10 a month for UNLIMITED classes. Nibley Fit offers other discounts as well. For more information, stop in to any class or visit www.nibleycity.com/nibley-fit/.

Nibley Fit is also expanding the ages of their summer youth passes. Youth passes will now be offered for ages 11–24 and for only \$15 for the entire summer for unlimited classes. These passes will be made available for purchase at the beginning of May.



How is life in Nibley?

Please take the Utah Wellbeing Survey!



<http://tinyurl.com/Nibley2024N>



Chad Wright
Nibley Recreation
Director

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



Cache Valley Wildlife Association

Utah Pollinator Habitat Program



The Utah Pollinator Habitat Program's 2024 application period runs from **March 1–April 15.** The program offers native plants to qualified applicants and is made possible with funding through UT 8B224: Pollinator Amendments (2021). The intent of the program is to

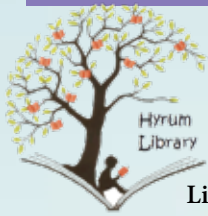
1. Educate the public about pollinators and pollinator habitat, and
2. Distribute pollinator-friendly native flowering plants and seeds to enhance or expand habitat for a diversity of pollinators.

For more information and to apply, visit [Bit.ly/Utah-Pollinator](https://bit.ly/Utah-Pollinator). Plants will be distributed in Fall of 2024.



The Cache Valley Wildlife Association will host a meeting on **Thursday, April 18, at 6:00 p.m.** at Nibley City Hall. Please consider joining the CVWA to help promote wildlife habitat and education in our community. If you have questions about the organization, please contact Becky Yeager at 435-757-6283 or blyeager@comcast.net.

Happenin' in Hyrum



The Hyrum Library

50 West Main, Hyrum • 435-245-6411

• 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.*

- **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. There are no age groups, just pick a time that works best for you.
- **CAPSA Story Time:** Apr. 1 at 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Enjoy stories and an activity with SNC.
- **Lego's @ the Library:** Apr. 3 and 17 from 4-5 p.m. in the Storytime room. Ages 5+. They supply the Legos, you supply the imagination!
- **Food, Fun, and Reading (Ages 5-11):** Apr. 9 from 4:00-5 p.m. Learn about MyPlate, hear a story, and enjoy and activity and snack. Presented by USU Extension.
- **Art Time! (Ages 5-11):** Apr. 16 from 4:00-5 p.m. Join the library for a fun spring themed craft.
- **Magic Tree House Adventure Club:** (Sign up is required): Apr. 19 or the 26 at 3:30 p.m. The book that will be discussed is Magic Tree House #7 *Midnight on the Moon*. Sign up is required and opens April 5.
- **Earth Day (Grades 4-5):** (Sign up is required) Apr. 23 at 4:00 p.m. Learn about the water cycle with hands on activities.

Teen Programs:

- **TAC Meeting** (Teen Advisory Committee): Apr. 11 at 3:30 p.m. Help plan for teen activities. If you are interested in joining the TAC, stop in the library and ask for Deonna.
- **Chess & Checkers Club (Ages 10+):** Friday, Apr. 5 at 4:00 p.m. Grab a snack, and spend the hour reading, working on homework, learning how to build a resume, or just hang out.
- **Teen Activity:** Apr. 26 at 5:00 p.m.

Adult Programs:

- **Book Club (for Adults):** Apr. 9 at 11:00 a.m. Join them for a book discussion on *The Kitchen Front*.

Family Programs:

- **Family Movie & Popcorn:** Apr. 8 at 4:00 p.m. in the Storytime Room. The library will show *Migration*. Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.



* The library will close early at 5 p.m. on Mon. Apr. 1 for a staff meeting. The library will open late at 1 pm on Apr. 11.



The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 435-245-0208

museum@hyrumcity.com



The Hyrum Museum will celebrate Jim Bridger's Bicentennial during their Super Saturday event on **April 27**, which will include demonstrations from contemporary mountain men and women along with a fur-tastic art activity. The museum will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Enjoy a fun art project and learn about bunnies and other signs of spring's arrival throughout Cache Valley's history at the Museum's monthly *Back in Time* children's activity, "Hop to It!" on **April 16-18** from **1:00-1:30 p.m.** each day. All children are welcome to attend and sign-up is encouraged.

There are two exhibits closing this month. "100 Years of Filmmaking in Utah" from the Utah Film Commission and the Utah Division of Arts & Museums is on display through April 18. Second, "History & Me," a sculpture gallery featuring students in the South Cache Art Club is being shown through April 24. Museum hours are Tuesday-Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and by appointment. Please note, the museum will be closed April 10 & 11.



The Senior Center

675 East Main, Hyrum • 435-245-3570



Please note that times and dates may change for activities.

The Hyrum Senior Center is celebrating its 30th birthday! The Center is open to ALL seniors Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Please call by 9:00 a.m. if you'd like to join them for lunch on Wednesdays and Fridays for a cost of \$3.00 per lunch.

Mondays—Breakfast & Bingo at 10:30 a.m.; \$2.00

Tuesdays—Pool at 9:00 a.m.

- **Apr 2** Bunco and lunch for \$2.00; 11:00 a.m.
- **Apr 9** Tip class at 11:00 a.m.
- **Apr 23** Bunco and lunch for \$2.00; 11:00 a.m.

Wednesdays—Lunches at 12:00 p.m. Programs are after lunch.

- **Apr 3** It's a Zoo Out There
- **Apr 10** Facedown game
- **Apr 17** Discussing health topics with Clark
- **Apr 24** Uno tournament

Thursdays—No lunch is served

- **Apr 4** Anastasia. Dinner and show. 4:45 p.m.
- **Apr 25** Lunch Bunch

Fridays—Bingo at 10:45; lunches at 12:00 p.m.

- **Apr 12** Bring a nice white elephant for Bingo