



Hyrum City

February 2016-Newsletter

February 2016

Upcoming Events:

February 4

City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m.

February 11

Planning Commission
6:30 p.m.

February 11, 12 & 13

Jazz Nights at the Sky Club
Elite Hall
7:00 p.m.

February 15

City Offices Closed
Presidents' Day

February 18

Utah State Historical Event
Veteran Oral History
Workshop &
World War II Lecture
City Council Chambers
9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

February 18

City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m.



Mayors Message – We live in a beautiful location. We are fortunate that we have blue skies most of the time and not the haze that occasionally settles into the valley during the winter months.

Where we may still have some snow before spring arrives I want to remind you no parking is allowed on city streets from 12 midnight to 8:00 a.m. until April 1st allowing the snowplows to plow the roads. Also, a reminder to please keep your sidewalks shoveled.

We are anticipating the ambulance station to begin construction in April. The Civic Center is also being enhanced with new paint, carpet, formica and chairs. The vacant City Office will eventually be knocked down. The cost to bring it up to code is too expensive. We are meeting with the county trail coordinator to begin work on the Blacksmith Fork Trail, which will connect with the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. If anyone is interested in volunteering to work on the trail, please contact the city office. Your information will be taken and you will be contacted as soon as work is available. A splash pad will be added this spring to the Blacksmith Fork Park and be ready for use this summer. Plans for a dog park to be added on the east side of Blacksmith Fork Park this summer are also in the works.

There are great things happening in our city. I appreciate our city employees and citizens that make Hyrum a great place to live.

Sincerely,
Mayor Stephanie Miller

January City Council Meeting Summary – Museum Director Jami Van Huss reported on efforts made by Hyrum's Historic Preservation Commission to raise money to restore the Elite Hall.

The electric department made some changes to the design standards book and added a little more detail to help give more direction to developers and builders. The council approved these changes.

Library and culinary water rates were discussed.

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The Wapiti Subdivision & Bear River Head Start projects were added to the capital improvements list in order to be considered for the CDBG money.

Dog Licenses – Any dog(s) four (4) months or older is required to be licensed with Hyrum City. Dogs are required to be licensed even if they stay inside your home or never leave your yard. The license fees are as follows:

Neutered/Spayed dogs - \$12 Male/Female dogs - \$22

A veterinarian certificate is required to verify rabies vaccination and the dog being neutered or spayed. All dogs must be licensed by Monday, February 29th. After February 29th a \$20 late fee will be assessed in addition to the regular license fee. Owners will be issued a citation for failure to have his/her dog properly licensed. Also, please remember that City Ordinance permits a maximum of **two dogs per household**. (Multi-family units are allowed one dog per unit.)

Winter Parking Restrictions – Parking is not allowed on city streets or within ten feet of roadway pavement in any municipal right-of-way between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 8:00 a.m. unless such vehicle is in a driveway approach or otherwise parked behind the curb where curb exists. This law allows for snow removal and is in effect between November 1st and April 1st, even when there is no snow.



Message from the Fire Department – During this time of year the Hyrum City Fire Department responds the most to carbon monoxide calls. The inversions, better insulated homes, attached garages, low or dead batteries and actual CO leaks all contribute to these calls. Carbon monoxide is by products from burning. When CO detectors, which have batteries, start to beep what does it mean? If it is an alarm it will sound loudly. If the detector beeps repeatedly about every 30 seconds it is probably the battery letting you know it is failing. Changing the battery should stop the noise. When changing the battery, check the manufacture date of your CO detector. Manufactures say the life is 7-10 years, but our department has seen detectors fail as early as 3 years. Also remember that CO detectors with an electric plug will also have a battery to back them up in case of power outages. Also, did you know that CO detectors need cleaning? Schedule a yearly date (possibly with the time change) to replace the batteries as well as cleaning/blowing out your detector. Keyboard air cans or just a good set of lungs will work. If all else fails, don't hesitate to call the Fire Department and we can respond and check your air with our meter.

HEAT Assistance Program – The HEAT (Home Energy Assistance Target) Assistance Program is currently open and will continue to see clients through April 30th or until federal funds are exhausted.

The HEAT Program is federally funded assistance program designed to help low-income, elderly and disabled households with home energy costs. The benefit amount is based on household income, household size, type of fuel used and energy burden. HEAT benefits are a one-time payment and will not cover your entire winter heating costs.

Cache County residents may call the BRAG HEAT Office at (435)713-1444 to schedule an appointment. If you are elderly or disabled and unable to come into our office we have someone who will come to your home. Please mention this when you call to schedule your appointment. The Cache County HEAT Office is located at the BRAG Office (Bear River Association of Governments) at 170 North Main, Logan.

Soccer Sign-Ups – It is soccer time again. Registration can be done online at www.southcachesoccer.com until February 20th. Onsite registration will be on February 19th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Library Café. Late registration is accepted with a \$5 late fee until teams are full. Coaches are needed so please consider volunteering. A coach clinic will be offered with helpful tips and you will receive a rebate. Games will begin April 11th and run for approximately six weeks. Registration is open to children born between July 31, 2011 up through their senior year in high school. We are looking forward to a great season.

Library News – Did you know you can renew your books online? Visit www.hyrumlibrary.com and sign up for your online library account.

The library is getting close to finishing our second brick wall, we only have 99 bricks to go. Order your brick today and be a part of the library forever. Bricks are \$100 and can have the inscription of your choice.

Food for fines begins on February 1st and continues through February 13th. If you have a fine at the library, you can pay that fine with nonperishable food. Spread the word, and get those fines erased by helping the Cache Valley Food Bank.

Signups for story time begins February 1st, call or stop by the library to sign your child up. The on-going theme for story time is “Color my World” and this month we will focus on pink. Story time dates are February 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 26th. These spots fill up fast so please call early. Toddler story time will be held every Monday, at 10:30 a.m. No signups are required.



February 1 Movie Monday, 4:00 p.m. Popcorn will be provided.

February 19 Teen Movie Friday, 2:00 p.m. Popcorn will be provided.

February 22 Chess Club, 4:00 p.m. All ages and abilities are welcome to attend.

Museum News – We are very excited to announce that the museum will be hosting the Utah State Historical Society’s “Historical Quarterly Event” on Thursday, February 18th. There will be an Oral History Workshop from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. conducted by Megan van Frank from the Utah Humanities Council and Senior State Historian Jedediah Rogers. Then, a lecture entitled “Utah and World War II” will begin at 1:00 p.m. Speakers will be Robert Voyles, director of the Fort Douglas Military Museum and Carlie Greer from the Hyrum City Museum, then Brent F. Ashworth, a nationally known collector of historic materials, will display and discuss artifacts from World War II. Both sessions will be held in the new city council chambers and are free and open to the public. This is a terrific opportunity for our local community and we hope that you will attend.

There are two new exhibits to enjoy at the museum. First, decorative pioneer art pieces on loan from the Wellsville DUP Museum are on display in our community exhibit. They are amazing examples of pioneer creativity and industry and worth a visit. Second, with the completion of the new city office building adjacent to the museum, we are now able to use the city council chambers as an art gallery for local artists. Don’t miss the skillful watercolors of Hyrum resident Phil Harrison currently on display.

Healthy Hearts is the theme of February’s Back in Time children’s activity. Join us February 23rd, 24th, or 25th from 2:00--2:30 p.m. to learn, create, and snack. Call or email the museum to sign-up.

The museum is establishing a docent program and we are looking for volunteers. We have a lot of fun and interesting activities, projects, and exhibits in development so if you are interested in local history or looking for an enjoyable and engaging volunteer opportunity, please contact Jami at 245-0208 or museum@hyrumcity.com.

Hyrum Historic Preservation Commission – We want to remind you about the dance at Elite Hall on January 30th from 8:00--11:30 p.m. with the CC Big Band. Guest instructors will teach lessons from 7:00--8:00 p.m. for \$2.00. The dance costs \$6.00 and refreshments will be served. Additionally, the Hyrum City Youth Council will be hosting a children's movie night from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the library theater to provide free babysitting for dancers.

We are very excited to announce that USU's annual event, Jazz Nights at the Sky Club will be held at the Elite Hall this year. Dances featuring the USU Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble will be Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 11th, 12th, and 13th. Free dance instruction begins at 6:00 p.m. each evening and the dances begin at 7:00 p.m. Thursday evening is student night, tickets are \$10, and light refreshments will be served. Friday and Saturday evenings, patrons may purchase a dinner and dance ticket for \$25 and enjoy a catered dinner and exclusive access to the balcony. Dance-only tickets will be \$10 Friday and Saturday and light refreshments will be served. If you are looking for something special to do with your sweetheart for Valentine's Day, this is the best ticket in town. Plus, proceeds from all dances benefit the Elite Hall's restoration. See you there!

Finally, don't forget to join us at Elite Hall Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:45 to 11:00 a.m. to enjoy some indoor walking or jogging time.

Senior News – We are open Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. with lunch at noon excluding Thursdays. Please call by 10:00 a.m. to reserve your spot for lunch. The cost is \$3. ALL seniors are welcome.

Mondays

- 8 Breakfast & Bingo for a Buck.
- 15 CLOSED.
- 22 Breakfast & Bingo for a Buck.
Board Meeting. 1:30 p.m.

Tuesdays – Game Day, 12:30 p.m.

- 9 Tip Class.

Wednesdays – Programs, 12:30 p.m.

- 3 Ice Cream Social & Fall Prevention Program.
- 10 Valentine's Program with Aunt LaVicka.
- 15 The Price is Right.
- 24 We love music – bring your favorite song to listen to or tell us about.

Thursdays – Road trips and the Lunch Bunch.

- 11 Sweet Peas Club – all women welcome.
- 18 Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m. Morty's & Aggie Ice Cream.

Fridays – Bingo, 12:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

- Our annual Leprechaun Party will be held on March 16th at noon. This is a fun event with a great meal and western entertainment, so please RSVP early.
- Saturday, February 20th, 1:30 p.m. matinee @ Eccles "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang."

