



HYRUM CITY

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January 2011

Animal Control	245-9060
City Office	245-6033
City Shop	245-6481
Court	245-0114
Emergency	911
Fire Station	245-7634
Garbage	716-9755
Library	245-6411
Museum	245-0208
Post Office	245-6071
Senior Center	245-3570
Sewer Plant	245-3123
Sheriff Dispatch	716-9400
State Park	245-6866
Zoning	994-1180

Mayor Howard 245-5501

Council Members

Craig Rasmussen	245-7772
Martin Felix	245-3765
Paul James	245-4695
Stephanie Miller	245-4405
Tom LaBau	245-3087

January 6

City Council
6:30 p.m.

January 13

Planning Commission
7:30 p.m.

January 17

City Offices Closed
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 20

City Council
6:30 p.m.



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR – The coming of January always brings a sense of renewal, like a fresh calendar with clean, unsoiled pages. At this time of year, many of us resolve to shed a few extra pounds; renew our determination to overcome unwanted habits; or rejuvenate a commitment to catch up on tasks around the house or yard that we've been postponing.

Traditionally people all across America approach the New Year with plans to revitalize or otherwise improve their lives and, according to the internet, some of the most common resolutions made by Americans involve exercising more, saving money, and reducing stress.

This is, no doubt, because some in the media keep telling us that we, as a nation, are overweight, don't save enough money, and ought to deal better with stress.

Well, these are challenges for many of us, but whatever your goals for the coming year, I wish you success and much happiness.

To all of you who willingly contributed your time, talent, resources, and compassion to the community and its residents this past year, thank you for your untiring service. You are the reason so many people love our community.

I also appreciated the many comments and suggestions this past year based on your insight and observations. Thank you for taking time to share your thoughts with me. I look forward to hearing from you in 2011. Happy New Year to all!

Sincerely,
Mayor Dean Howard

DOG LICENSES – Any dog(s) six (6) 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 - \$8.00

Male dogs - \$12.00

Female dogs - \$15.00

A veterinarian certificate is required to verify rabies vaccination and the dog being neutered or spayed.

All dogs must be licensed by Tuesday, March 1st. After March 1st a \$10 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.**

BUSINESS LICENSES – All current business licenses expired on December 31st, and need to be renewed in January. If renewal is not made by January 31st a late fee will be assessed. If you are starting a new business, please come into the Hyrum City Office at 83 West Main and pick up an application form. There is a \$10 application fee plus the following: home occupation business \$20; contractors \$25; and commercial business \$75. Doing business without a business license is considered a Class B Misdemeanor. If you have any questions, please contact the Hyrum City Offices at 245-6033.

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.



2011 YOUTH COUNCIL & YOUTH COMMITTEE – Congratulations to the following individuals who were selected as Hyrum City's Youth Council and Youth Committee for 2011. Youth Council – Ethan Fridal (Youth Mayor), Celeste Adams, Taylor Baxter, Missy Broadbent, Anya Burtis, Janessa Mackay, Mitch Richman, and Sierra Summers. Youth Committee – Zachary Baird, Kelcee Kendrick, Makelle Isrealson, Shandee Richman, Ashlee Drollinger, Emilee Fielding, Marci Nielsen, Kiera Peck, Marina Petersen, and Dillon Raymond.

MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT – Candles may be pretty to look at but they are a cause of home fires – and home fire deaths. Remember, a candle is an open flame, which means that it can easily ignite anything that can burn. If you do burn candles, make sure that you:

- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn.
- Blow out all candles when you leave the room or go to bed.
- Use candle holders that are sturdy, and won't tip over easily.
- Put candle holders on a sturdy, uncluttered surface.
- Light candles carefully. Keep your hair and any loose clothing away from the flame.
- Don't burn a candle all the way down – put it out before it gets too close to the holder or container.
- Have flashlights and battery-powered lighting ready to use during a power outage, never use candles.

SNOW REMOVAL POLICY – Snow removal from driveway and sidewalks: Section 12.04.010 of the Hyrum City Code requires property owners or occupants to remove snow from sidewalks abutting their properties within a "reasonable time" after the snow stops falling—the code stipulates 9 a.m. for snow accumulating during the night. This is especially critical for sidewalks used by school children and other pedestrians.

Section 10.20.095 prohibits the practice of depositing, blowing, or pushing snow removed from parking lots, driveways, or sidewalks onto the roadway. This includes pushing it across roadways to neighboring park strips, borrow pits, or vacant properties in such manner as to leave a residue or otherwise increase the amount of snow on the roadway.

We ask that you place the snow on your side of the property line behind the sidewalks, allowing us to push the snow from the roads onto the park strips or borrow pits.

Priorities for snow removal: Snow removal priority is based upon the amount of traffic and the number of homes, businesses, and schools serviced by a particular road. Please keep in mind that the length and intensity of the storm influences plow routes and frequency of plowing.

Major storms require us to remain on primary roadways until the storm subsides.

Garbage cans in the road: We also ask that you put your garbage and recycle cans out the morning of collection day and remove them as soon as possible following the collection. These containers do not need to be placed on the asphalt portion of the roadway but rather set back several feet from the asphalt to reduce chances of damage by plows and flying snow.

Be aware of our equipment: A loaded snowplow weighs as much as 14 tons. The drivers need room to stop, especially while plowing. Even if you have the right-of-way, let the plow come to a stop before pulling out in front of it. We also ask that you remain more than 50 feet away from the plows so your vehicle is not damaged by flying snow or ice removal materials.

LIBRARY NEWS – January story time for all 3-5 year olds will be held on January 25, 26, 27 and 28. Sign-ups will begin on January 3rd. The theme for the month is Birthday Celebrations.



The new bricks have been installed on our donor wall; there are still lots of room for more. Another order will be placed when 25 bricks have been reserved. Please help us finish off our wall with your tax-deductible donation.

Don't forget to sign-up for our Ridley's Hometown Advantage Program. Every three months the library receives a donation from Ridley's from the points donated by our patrons. We have been able to add new blinds, purchase books, and improve the library with these extra funds. We need to submit a new list at the beginning of each year, so please let the librarians know if you are willing to donate your points.

Our annual Bake and Book Sale will be scheduled for some time in February. Keep in mind this is one of our major fund raisers for the year and we appreciate all the help we receive from our patrons.

SENIOR NEWS – Stop by the Senior Center and pick up a calendar for additional events taking place in January:

5th – Local Musician Laura Berg ~ will be performing old songs

26th – Snowflake Party

STORMWATER – **What Is Storm Water Runoff?** Storm water runoff is the rain or snowmelt that runs off streets, rooftops, parking lots, lawns and other land surfaces. As communities develop, more impervious surfaces are created and less rainfall can soak into the ground. This increases flooding and stream bank erosion. Storm water also picks up pollutants as it flows across land surfaces. Pollutants include: ▪ Sediment from bare areas like construction sites ▪ Pesticides and fertilizers from lawns, parks and roadsides ▪ Bacteria and disease causing organisms from pet waste and failing septic systems ▪ Oil and grease from car leaks, gas stations and industrial areas ▪ Salt used on roads and driveways, and ▪ Toxic chemicals from leaks, spills and auto wear and exhaust. Sometimes pollutants (e.g., used oil, paint thinners, etc.) are illegally dumped directly into storm drains and waterways.

Where Does Storm Water Go? Storm water typically flows into storm drains on parking lots and street curbs where it enters underground pipes called storm sewers. Unlike sanitary sewers, storm sewers do not lead to a treatment plant. So storm water runoff directed to storm sewers usually receives no treatment before entering our streams, rivers, and lakes. The result can be the contamination of our drinking water supplies, prohibitions on swimming, fishing or boating uses and injury to aquatic plants and animals.

As A Citizen, Here's what you can do to help: As you can see, many of our daily activities have the potential to cause storm water pollution. How you manage your property and day-to-day activities can determine the quality of your drinking water and local swimming and fishing areas. The following is a list of ways you can help prevent storm water pollution: ▪ Minimize impervious areas to reduce runoff. ▪ Divert roof drains and other runoff to vegetated areas on your property. ▪ Keep your vehicles tuned up and repair leaks quickly. ▪ Never pour used oil, paint thinners, and other pollutants into storm drains or waterways or on the ground. Take these household hazardous wastes to a recycling/collection center. ▪ Properly use and store all household chemicals. Clean up spills quickly. ▪ Use lawn care practices that protect water quality. Minimize the use of fertilizers and pesticides on your lawn; sweep (don't wash) fertilizer off driveways or walkways and compost yard wastes. ▪ Clean litter from the street and storm drains in front of your home and along stream banks to keep it out of our waters. ▪ Walk your dog in vegetated areas or bury or flush pet wastes. ▪ Design all new construction to prevent runoff and storm water pollution. ▪ Report any pollution, illegal dumping or soil erosion.



Please help us to make sure that "only rain goes down the drain!" If you see anyone dumping into the storm drain, please call our hotline at 245-6033.



BUILDING & PARK RESERVATIONS

Just a reminder that beginning Monday, January 3rd at 8:00 a.m. the City Office will begin taking reservations for all city buildings and parks for 2011. Reservations are first come first serve and the rental fee **MUST** be paid at the time your reservation is made to hold your reserved date. All buildings and parks have different rental fees, deposits, rules, cancellation policies, etc. for more information contact the City Office or visit our web-site.

City Square Pavilion – Located on the same block as City Hall. There is a pavilion, playground equipment, and sand volleyball pit. The pavilion can be reserved through the City Offices at no charge to residents of Hyrum City. The pavilion has 14 tables that seat approximately 100 people. Restrooms are available.

East Park – Located on the northwest corner of Main Street and 800 East, it is Hyrum City's largest fully-improved park at 17.5 acres. The rodeo grounds, three lighted baseball diamonds, two lighted tennis courts, concessions stand, and playground equipment are found at East Park. The tennis courts and playground equipment are open to the public but reservations are required for the rodeo grounds and ball diamonds.

A.J. Park – Located eight miles east of the mouth of Blacksmith Fork Canyon on the north side of Highway 101. A pavilion with 16 tables that can seat approximately 120 people, fire pit and sand volleyball pit can be reserved by the residents of Hyrum for a \$25 deposit and no rental fee. Restrooms are available.

Canyon Lodge – Located eight miles east of the mouth of Blacksmith Fork Canyon on the south side of Hwy 101. The lodge has a kitchen, large room with tables, and restroom facilities. The Canyon Lodge is for day-use and can accommodate approximately 60 people. Residents of Hyrum can reserve this facility for a \$25 rental fee per day and a \$50 deposit.

Canyon Campground – Located eight miles east of the mouth of Blacksmith Fork Canyon on the south side of Hwy 101. There are 14 campground spaces with electrical hook-ups. In the center of the campground there is a pavilion with tables that can accommodate up to 50 people. Portable toilets are available. Residents of Hyrum can reserve a spot in the campground for \$10 per space per night.

Canyon Park – Located eight miles east of the mouth of Blacksmith Fork Canyon on the south side of Hwy 101 between the Canyon Lodge and Canyon Campground. There are eight picnic tables with freestanding BBQ devices nearby, volleyball court, and playground equipment. No reservations are required. Portable toilets are available.

CCC Camp – Located at the mouth of Blacksmith Fork Canyon, approximately ¼ mile upstream of the retired power plant. This 30 acre natural park has 5 campground spaces that can be reserved by only Hyrum residents for \$10 per space or for \$50 for the entire area. This site is unimproved and restroom facilities are not available.

Left Hand Fork Property – Located seven miles east of the mouth of Blacksmith Fork Canyon, the Left Hand Fork is north of the main canyon. There are 8 campground spaces that can be reserved by Hyrum residents for \$10 per space and a tent area for \$5 per space. A group area is also available for \$50 per day. This site is unimproved and restroom facilities are not available.