



# HYRUM CITY

## N E W S L E T T E R



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February 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

### **February 3**

City Council  
6:30 p.m.

### **February 10**

Planning Commission  
7:30 p.m.

### **February 17**

City Council  
6:30 p.m.

### **February 21**

President's Day  
City Offices Closed



### MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR – Vandalism

In recent months the city has been victimized by vandals on several different occasions.

Last summer someone poured diesel into one of our planter trees on Main Street, killing one of the flowering trees. The plant had to be replaced as well as all of the soil around it and to a considerable depth beneath. It cost the taxpayers a significant amount of time and money to

replace this tree.

Over the holidays someone destroyed the lighted tree in the gazebo, another needless expense. And finally a motorist attempted to drive a truck through the new soccer facility on Hammer Road, damaging new grass that emerged just before winter.

Accidents will happen but deliberate acts of destruction and damage are senseless and time-consuming. To help recover the cost of these incidents, the city offers rewards up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those who inflict damage upon public property, and we urge you to come forward with such knowledge when you observe or know of such activities. The reward money will be added to fines and other penalties imposed on those who perpetrate this type of destruction. We have far better uses for public money than repairing damage carelessly or purposely inflicted on public property. Thank you.

### City Projects

Our water recycling project is moving forward. Funding has been approved through the State Board of Water Resources and bids for construction will be opened in February.

Work is progressing on our culinary water reservoir at the mouth of Blacksmith Fork Canyon. The bank-stabilization contractor should be finished in the next few weeks and then we'll begin excavation for the new tank.

The library solar project has been completed and is producing electricity for the building. Anyone interested in observing either instantaneous or historical generation may stop by the library and ask to see the computer data.

The City Council awarded a bid for installation of four metal power poles to be used in conjunction with the addition of a new electrical power substation on Hammer Road. This work should begin in February.

The city will soon advertise for bids to begin the first phase of the Salt Hollow Park project with construction beginning this spring.

Building permits issued for new residential dwelling units totaled 33 during 2010, down from 49 units in 2009. We expect this trend to slowly reverse as the economy begins to improve.

## Miscellaneous

We were saddened by the recent tragic loss of a home in Hyrum because of fire. We urge everyone to be careful with space heaters, wood stoves, and other heating devices. Fire spreads rapidly and super-heated air enables flames to engulf a structure in a very short period of time. Please check your homes to ensure all smoke and fire alarms are working properly and exercise extreme caution with portable heating appliances. We express our thanks to officials from Hyrum, Logan, Paradise, Mendon, and Wellsville who responded with fire fighters and equipment to extinguish this fire.

In closing, the cold days and nights of these winter months provide opportunities to spend time with a good book. I've read several myself and encourage you to take advantage of the great selection offered by our library. Stop in and ask our friendly librarians to show you what's new on the shelves.

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 1<sup>st</sup>.** After March 1<sup>st</sup> 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.**

**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 1<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>, even when there is no snow.**

**HYRUM COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)** – What is CERT? CERT is a 24-hour training program that prepares you to help yourself, your family, and your neighbors in the event of a disaster. During an incident, emergency service personnel may not be able to reach everyone right away. By being trained in CERT, you will have the skills needed to help emergency responders to save lives and protect property. As a member of the Hyrum CERT team, you can respond to disasters, participate in drills and exercises that could change lives in our community. CERT teams are known and trusted resources to emergency responders and their communities.

The next CERT course will begin on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. at the City Civic Center. The course will be held each Wednesday for 9 weeks. Sign-ups begin on February 7<sup>th</sup> and will be for the first 30 reserved spots. Please call the City Office at 245-6033 to reserve your spot. If you have any questions about the course, please call Blake Christensen at 757-4177.

Remember in 95% of all emergencies, the bystanders or neighbors provide the first immediate assistance on the scene.

**UTILITY EQUAL PAY** – If your utility account is currently set up on equal pay please be aware that your monthly payment has been re-calculated. All equal pay accounts are re-calculated in December and June of each year to ensure that all accounts are comparable with your monthly utility bill. If you have any questions or if you are interested in signing up for equal pay, call the City Office at 245-6033.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY LINCOLN ELEMENTARY** – Please join the faculty and students as they celebrate Lincoln Elementary Schools 100<sup>th</sup> birthday! Circle the date on your calendar: Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. There will be fun for all! For more information contact Lincoln Elementary at 245-6442.

The Lincoln community has just published an amazing 100 year history book. Come and pick up a copy at the school's main office or during the birthday party on February 10<sup>th</sup>. (Printing costs = approx. \$20.00 per book. They would appreciate a \$20.00 donation for each copy)

**LIBRARY NEWS** – February story time theme is "Monkey n' Around". Story time will be held on February 22, 23, 24, and 25. All 3-5 year olds are invited. Sign-ups will begin on February 1<sup>st</sup>. You may call the library or come in. We are looking forward to March when we will be in the middle of "Frog Fever."



The library's annual Valentine's Book and Bake Sale will be held in the library cafe on February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate to the bake sale, please call the library or come in to sign-up. We appreciate all the support we have received in past years to make this event one of our most successful. Check with the library for the hours of the sale.

In observance of President's Day the library will be closed Monday February 21<sup>st</sup>.

Please let us know this month if you are still willing to donate your Ridley's points to the library. We will need to submit our new form in February. With the donated points, we have been able to acquire many new window blinds and books for our library. Thanks to our patrons and to Ridley's for their continued support.

We still have more bricks to sell!!! This is a great gift idea. \$100 tax deductible donation can have your brick inscribed with whatever sentiment you would like. Help us finish off our second donor wall.

Please check your home for any library items that you may have that are overdue. We are experiencing a very high number of overdue items currently, and are hoping with the end of the holidays that these items may turn up in your homes and be returned.

Notice to all Summer Reading Families: Please check with the library, several families have not picked up their Summer Reading Bags. Also, mark your calendars for June 6<sup>th</sup> the beginning of this year's Summer Reading Program.

**SENIOR NEWS** – We would love to have more Hyrum and valley seniors join us at the center. This is good place to be; you'll have fun and make great friends. We are open Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch is served at noon, please call by 10:00 a.m. to reserve your spot. We are looking forward to a fantastic year.

Mondays we have Fit Over 60 at 10:00 a.m., everyone is welcome.

The second Monday of each month we will be serving a breakfast buffet at 11:00 a.m. This is a free meal and all seniors are welcome. Please call by 9:00 a.m., so we can be sure to have plenty of food for everyone. Thanks!

Tuesdays we have chair yoga at 10:30 a.m. a very easy class that helps with balance, strength and breathing... Games start at 12:30 p.m.

Thursdays Yoga Class 10:30 a.m.

Fridays Bingo at 12:30 p.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Vern Harris local author at 12:30 p.m.

9<sup>th</sup> – Karakoe with Jackie – this is a first and should be pretty fun

16<sup>th</sup> – Annual Women's Tea at 12:00 p.m. – bring a teacup

23<sup>rd</sup> – Music, music, music we have started a monthly program on great music. Let us know if you have any ideas you want to use for this fun and musical day each month.

24<sup>th</sup> – Cooking Class 11:00 a.m. Heart Healthy Tomatoes

