



Hyrum

▪ CITY NEWSLETTER ▪

Making Life Better

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January 2013

Upcoming Events:

January 1

City Office's Closed
Happy New Year

January 3

City Council
6:30 p.m.

January 10

Planning Commission
7:00 p.m.

January 12

Reopening of Museum
1:00 p.m.

January 17

City Council
6:30 p.m.

January 21

City Office's Closed
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 24

Lions Club
Gang Awareness Presentation
6:30 p.m.

January 24

Planning Commission
Open House
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

January 26

Hyrum State Park Winter Festival
12:00 – 4:00 p.m.

January 31

Business License
Renewal Deadline

MAYORS MESSAGE – As we move into another year, we're cautiously optimistic about general signs of economic recovery. Sales tax revenues increased nearly 12.5 percent this past year, but new housing starts continued a downward spiral that began in 2010 as they fell from 33 (single family dwellings and condominiums) to 22 in 2011 and 14 in 2012. We hope to see this pattern reverse as it has throughout much of the state.

While lower interest rates reduce earnings on reserves they also reduce the amount of interest paid out on municipal debt. For example, this past year we refinanced the library, helping us save taxpayers approximately \$112,000 in interest payments over the next 14 years. The original bonds were issued in 2006 and carried an interest rate of 4.87 percent. Then in 2010, when interest rates dropped, the City refinanced those bonds to a rate of 3.99 percent. Now, once more, interest rates have fallen to historic lows and the City locked in a new library debt rate of 2.48 percent!

On December 20, 2012, the City closed on another bond refinancing, this time for bonds that were issued in 2011 for the effluent recycling project. Those bonds were issued through the State of Utah's Board of Water Resources at 3.4 percent interest rate. Under normal market conditions that rate would be consider remarkably low. However, once again, because of the unprecedented low interest rate environment, the City was able to reduce those bonds to a rate of 1.55 percent that will be locked in until the bonds are paid off in July of 2020. This refinancing effort will save the City about \$24,000 in Net Present Value (NPV) dollars.

With the assistance of Alex Buxton of Zion's Bank Public Finance, bonds for both the library and recycling project were sold through private placement bond sales. Several banks and financial institutions throughout the West submitted bids and the library bonds were awarded to Capital One Public Funding of New Mexico while State Bank of Southern Utah in Cedar City purchased the recycling project bonds. As stated, bond interest rates have been at historic lows and we picked an opportune time to refinance, resulting in considerable savings on these two valuable resources, our library and our wastewater recycling system.

Thanks to all of you for your support and service to our community this past year. I hope 2013 will bless you with health, happiness, and improved prosperity. Happy New Year to all of you!

Sincerely,

Mayor Dean Howard

PHONE DIRECTORY

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	363-7113
Aaron Woolstenhulme	245-3651



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Stop by the
City Office for a copy
of the 2013 Curbside
Recycling Schedule
or visit:

[www.loganutah.org/Environmental/
Collections/recycling.cfm](http://www.loganutah.org/Environmental/Collections/recycling.cfm)

TREECYCLING PROGRAM - This year's treecycling program will run from December 17th thru January 14th. The treecycling program was first established more than a decade ago to help residents dispose of their live Christmas trees after the Christmas holiday. Please be sure that your tree is free of lights, tinsel, ornaments, and stands prior to dropping it off at East Park (700 East Main). If you should miss the window for drop off, the green waste facility, located at the Logan Landfill, is open year round. Please do not put trees at drop sites after January 14th. For more questions, please call 435-716-9755. Thank you!

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS – Winter parking restrictions began November 1st. 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.

HYRUM STATE PARK WINTER FESTIVAL – Hyrum State Park is hosting a winter festival on January 26th from noon – 4:00 p.m. at the main park entrance. There will be fun winter activities for all ages. For more information please contact Jodie Madsen at 245-6866. The fun never ends at Hyrum State Park.

BUSINESS LICENSES – All current business licenses will expire 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; 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 Office at 245-6033.

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 Thursday, February 28th. After February 28th 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.**

PLANNING COMMISSION - The Hyrum City Planning Commission will be holding an Open House on January 24th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. in the Hyrum City Council Room at 83 West Main Street. The Planning Commission will be taking input from Hyrum City residents on possible changes to the multi-family ordinance and possible future inner-block development. At 7:00 pm. there will be a presentation from the Planning Commission and Ken Young of Utah Community Planners explaining proposed changes to these ordinances. There will be a survey for you to participate in and a number of informational displays will be available for review. Please plan to attend and be involved with planning for the future of Hyrum City.

GANG AWARENESS - The Hyrum Lions Club is sponsoring a presentation on Gang Awareness on January 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the Civic Center. Sgt. Todd of the Cache County Sheriff's Department will be giving the presentation. Come ask questions and find out how you can be more aware of the growing presence of gangs in our neighborhoods.

MUSEUM NEWS – Mark January 12th on your calendar for the reopening of the Hyrum City Museum. The event will commence at 1:00 p.m. with a special speaker followed by an introduction of the new monthly programs offered at the museum, including engaging community workshops and fun new children's activities. Then, you are invited to enjoy the new and enhanced exhibits in the museum (check our website, <https://sites.google.com/a/hyrumcity.com/hyrum-museum/home>, for an event calendar and specific information). Museum hours starting January 15th have tentatively been set at Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon – 7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. We are hopeful to extend those hours soon but are in need of volunteers to serve as docents and guides. If you are interested in volunteering, scheduling a group visit, loaning or donating items, or just being involved, please call the museum at 245-0208 or email us at museum@hyrumcity.com.

LANDLORD BUSINESS LICENSE – The City Council recently adopted Ordinance 11-04 to require all landlords owning rental property in Hyrum City to obtain a Commercial Business License. Owners of more than one rental unit are required to obtain only one business license, not one for each unit. The commercial business license annual fee is currently set at \$75.

The exact wording of the ordinance reads as follows:

5.04.020 License-Required.

It shall be a class B misdemeanor for any person to transact, engage in or carry on any business, trade, profession, calling or to operate a vending, pinball or coin-operated machine without first receiving the class or type of license required by the municipality. Any person(s) owning rental property(ies) in Hyrum City must obtain a Hyrum City Commercial Business License. If there is more than one owner, each owner shall be jointly liable to pay the business license fee and to ensure all contact information is listed on the business license application for each owner. Owners of more than one rental dwelling or unit are required to obtain only one business license from Hyrum City.

Please contact the City Office at 245-6033 with any questions or for more information.

CERT NEWS – How does CERT benefit the community? People who go through CERT training have a better understanding of the potential threats to their home, workplace and community and can take the right steps to lessen the effects of these hazards on themselves, their homes or workplace. If a disaster happens that overwhelms local response capability, CERT member can apply the training learned in the classroom and during exercises to give critical support to their family, loved ones, neighbors or associates in their immediate area until help arrives. When help does arrive, CERT provides useful information to responders and supports their efforts, as directed, at the disaster site. CERT members can also assist with non-emergency projects that improve the safety of the community. CERT has been used to distribute and/or install smoke alarms, replace smoke alarm batteries in the homes of elderly, distribute disaster education material, and provide services at special events.

STORMWATER - Help prevent stormwater pollution this winter! There are two approaches to reducing stormwater pollution from household salt use:

1. Try an alternative! Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA) was developed as a deicing alternative because it has fewer adverse environmental impacts than salt and doesn't cause corrosion. Although CMA is more expensive than rock salt, it is recommended for environmentally sensitive areas.
2. Reduce your salt use. By limiting the amount of salt we use on sidewalks and driveways, we can reduce the amount of polluted stormwater washing into our waterways.



SENIOR NEWS – We are open Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please call 245-3570 before 10:00 a.m. if you will be joining us for lunch. A healthy, delicious meal is served daily at noon excluding Thursdays for a suggested donation of \$2.75.

Thanks to everyone who supported our Annual Craft Fair, it was a big success. A special thanks to our board members Sherma Peterson, Marilyn Nye, Ramona Lemon and Kathy Morton for all their hard work. Also huge thanks to Lynn Coulam and to all those who cut wood, painted, sewed, baked or helped in any way. We wish everyone a healthy, Happy New Year!

Mondays – Fit Over 60, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesdays – Game Day, 12:30 p.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays – Chair Yoga, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Programs:

- 2 Snowflake Party
- 9 Trevor Knudsen
- 16 Signing by Victor Jewkes & presentation on Med Source Supplies.
- 23 To be announced
- 30 To be announced



Fridays – Bingo, 12:30 p.m.

Stop by the center to get a newsletter for information on road trips, and outings to theaters, etc.

LIBRARY NEWS – The library says goodbye to Kandice Crockett who has worked at the library for four years. Kandice is currently serving an LDS mission in Seattle, Washington. We wish her the best as she starts this new phase in her life.

January storytime will be on January 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th for all 3-5 year olds. Signups will begin on January 2nd. The theme for the month is “Clown Around at the Circus.”

With the New Year upon us, please take a moment to look for any overdue items that may be at your home. We would like to clear up as many items as possible in the next month.

On January 7th from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. the library will be holding our first “Downloadable Day.” This is your opportunity to bring your new devices to the library and learn how to download books, videos, and more.

Mark your calendars now; February 8th & 9th is the Library’s Annual Bake & Book Sale. If you would like to donate items or for more information contact the library at 245-6411.

The library has been fortunate to receive donations from Ridley’s Market through the Hometown Advantage Card Program. We appreciate all who have participated in this great program. Each January we have to re-submit the names to Ridley’s of patrons who choose to donate their points to the library. If you would like to donate your points fill out the form below or stop by the library. The money we have received from Ridley’s has been used to purchase blinds for the windows, new materials for our collection and more.

RIDLEY’S HOME TOWN ADVANTAGE PROGRAM SIGN-UP

I would like to donate the points I earn on my Ridley’s Advantage Card to the Hyrum Library.

Name: _____ **Advantage Card No.:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Signature: _____