

The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah — February 2007



Important Dog Licensing Information

The deadline for paying dog license fees at the City Office is February 28th. A late fee of \$10.00 will be assessed after this deadline.

Annual License Fee for dogs:
Spayed or neutered \$10.00
Males \$12.00
Females \$15.00

At the time of licensing, each dog will be assigned a tag. Each year thereafter, new tags will not be issued to previously registered dogs. However, if you lose the tag, it can be replaced for a fee of \$4.00.

Copies of current rabies certificates are required at the time of licensing. Except in the incidence of young puppies, rabies shots are good for 3 years.

A Rabies Clinic will be held from 12-4 p.m. on February 3rd at the Hyrum City Shop (100 W. 90 N.). You may vaccinate AND register your dogs on this day. Separate checks must be written for the licensing and vaccinating.

If you have been granted a Conditional Use Permit for a **Kennel License** by the Planning and Zoning Commission, you must also renew that license by February 28. After that date, you run the risk of losing the permit.

Dear Nibley Citizens:

From the Mayor

Last week, city representatives met with Cooper Roberts Simonsen Associates, the consulting firm that will be updating our General Plan, to finalize our contract with them. This is a huge step for Nibley City. We have never before hired a consultant to help develop our General Plan or any of our ordinances. This is a large financial and time commitment that we, as a city, are making.

Now, we need your help and input. I will be organizing an Advisory Team to assist the consultants as they recommend changes to our plan. We are anxious to receive your input throughout this process. The kickoff meeting will be at our City Council Meeting on 1 February at 6:00 p.m. On February 24th we will hold a public-scoping meeting to receive input from all citizens concerning our future landuse and development issues. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate. I am anxious to put volunteers to work creating our new plan. The community needs your ideas.

On December 30th, we purchased 8 acres next to Morgan Elwood Park along 800 West. This ground has a couple of outbuildings and a barn that were built in 1903. We believe the acquisition will enhance our adjacent park and create a unique opportunity to maintain a rural setting in the area. The City Council has a wonderful vision of maintaining open space throughout the community to provide for our recreation needs and maintain a rural feel. We welcome input on how best to use this ground with its historic buildings. Already, we have received some good suggestions, such as creating a small petting zoo for children. What are your ideas?

Now let's talk about 3200 South. Ah, the long awaited reconstruction of 3200 South has finally started. You have probably noticed the survey stakes along the road. Unfortunately, the estimate for the project came in nearly 2.5 times the amount available for the job. Several years ago, we received \$3,800,000 of federal money to help build this road. Nibley City was required to match \$600,000 for the road. We felt this would be ample money to build 2.5 miles of road. But with federal money comes federal red tape that translates into increased time and cost of construction. This money has been a mixed blessing.

We are now in the process of restructuring the project to stay within a tight budget. We will have to, once again, be patient with the process. We still hope to start the construction of all of the niceties that we dreamed of for this street in the developed part of town. Our first priority will be to asphalt the entire road. Then, as the money allows, we will put sidewalks and possibly trees along the developed part of town. We still hope to construct a street consistent with our dreams that will be outlined in the General Plan Update. I will remain positive through this process! Construction is scheduled to start in the Spring of 2008 and will be completed by that Fall. Thanks for your patience.

I am updating my goals as mayor of this wonderful city and will post them on the city website by the end of February. We have accomplished a lot this past year. I wish to thank everyone for your help. I challenge everyone to get involved in some way with city affairs. Please take a few minutes this week to look at the city's website and decide how you can help Nibley City. I want your ideas.

Mayor Gerald Knight



CIRCLE MARCH 9th ON YOUR CALENDAR - Hyrum Library Fundraising Event

Join the southern part of Cache Valley in helping to make the new Hyrum Library a reality! Starting at 6:00 p.m., March 9th, at the Elite Hall (Hyrum), you can enjoy dinner, entertainment, a baked goods sale, door prizes, a silent auction, a raffle, and a big auction to raise money for the new library.

Nibley citizens
... the Hyrum library is **YOUR** library! Library memberships are free to those that live within our community. Come support **YOUR** library!

The Hyrum Library needs your help! They are looking for large, new items, crafts, handiwork, goods, or services to be auctioned. So far, people have donated animals, gift certificates, art and craft objects, a boat, and furniture. However, they need much more. This is a worthy cause that will profit not only us but generations to come. They also need donations of baked goods for the bake goods sale and smaller items that will be used for door prizes and for the silent auction. Volunteers are needed to help with publicity, food services, and displays.

The Hyrum Library is close to making their dream a reality. Get involved! Plan on an evening of community fun! Make a donation! Help raise the funds necessary to finish OUR library! If you have something to donate or are willing to volunteer to help, please contact Margo Anhder at 753-5104.

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If you have questions or comments regarding the newsletter, please contact Becky Yeager at blyeager@comcast.net.

Non-Dog Owners Are People, Too

by Scott Wells, City Council Member, Public Safety & Planning and Zoning



I have had several citizens talk to me recently about neighbor's dogs that leave presents for them in their yards or chase them in their own yards. They don't want problems with their neighbors and, many times, their friends. However, they would like to have the City pick up the dogs so that they don't have to deal with the problem. I think we need to ask ourselves what if we were on the receiving end of this problem (no pun intended). We would be upset as well. So dog owners, please be considerate of your neighbors. I know many think we live in the country and that our animals should be allowed to run free, but let's be good neighbors and keep our dogs in our own yards.

Please be advised that unlicensed dogs and/or dogs running at large constitutes a Class B misdemeanor which carries a maximum fine of \$1,000. Dogs that are impounded will be assessed a fee of \$9.00 per dog/per day for housing, in addition to fines as determined by the Judge.

Cache County Sheriff's Office - 716-9400

The City has contracted recently with the Cache County Sheriff's Office to provide animal control. This includes weekly patrols when they will pick up strays. The cost to have your dog returned plus the court costs will not be a pleasant experience. We have also secured the dog pound so that people will be able to retrieve their dogs when they come up missing after paying the assessed fine. We, as a city, love dogs but also must provide a safe and clean community for all the citizens. Any help you could give the City with this problem would be deeply appreciated.



Water Rates

You may have noticed a slight increase in your water bill. Beginning January 1, 2007, water usage increased by \$0.05. Simply put, the cost of water per 1,000 gallons was raised from \$0.90 cents to \$0.95 cents.

Holiday Decoration Contest

Congratulations to Ray and Maxine Howser, Kelly and Ruth Beckstrom, and Randy and Sandy Maurer!!! The Nibley City Royalty awarded Home Depot Gift cards to each of these households as winners of the city-wide Holiday Decoration Contest in December. Many thanks to everyone who participated and helped create a festive community!

Nibley City welcomes Dennis Clark and Holly Ashcroft as their newest city employees.