

West Point City

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE

AUGUST 2016

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Water Conservation

A few weeks ago, some of City Staff and I had the opportunity to meet with representatives of Weber Basin Water. The purpose of the meeting had two parts: to discuss water conservation and future rate increases. Water, and water rights, have historically been a very sensitive subject for many citizens, and in the time I have served on the City Council and as Mayor, I have heard differing opinions on both secondary and culinary water. When it comes to secondary water, some believe that they should be able to use as much as they want, and then conversely, some call and complain to me because their neighbor waters too much and they believe it is important to conserve our water resource. Water is a limited resource and regardless of what may or may not have been promised when the secondary lines were installed 21 years ago, conservation efforts have had to change to protect this resource. As we look at water conservation, secondary water usage is the largest percentage of water usage along the Wasatch Front. So what can the average home owner do to conserve secondary water? I have learned that maintaining your sprinkling system can make a big difference in water usage. Landscaping design can also greatly reduce the amount of water needed. Please check out this website, or visit their facility in East Layton, for several more ideas that you can research to help reduce your water usage:

<http://www.weberbasin.com/conservation/index.php/conservation-programs/water-checks>

Weber Basin Water employees are also more than happy to come out and conduct a water check to help anyone who needs some advice to make their systems more efficient, as secondary water conservation does *not* have to result in brown lawns. At the meeting, I also learned that there are new sprinkler system controllers called "smart controllers". These controllers hook up to your Wi-Fi and can be remotely controlled through the electronic device of your choice. If you are out of town and you realize you forgot to adjust your controller before you left, you can change your system settings from your phone. A smart controller uses on-site or remote weather data or soil moisture data to control and help manage irrigation events, and will also link up to the weather report and automatically delay your sprinklers if it is raining. Weber Basin Water Conservancy District will rebate 50% off the purchase price or maximum of \$150.00 on the purchase of a qualified smart controller. Please make sure the controller you purchase is on the EPA "WaterSense" approved list. No rebate will be given for controllers not on that list. I personally bought and installed a smart controller and I love it. With the ability to remotely turn on the different zones it comes in handy to adjust heads, and turn the water cycle on or off if I am out of town.

Another component to water conservation are the meters

currently being installed on secondary systems. This is not intended to be a "pay as you go" system like the culinary system, but is more of an effort to gather data and to educate residents on how much water they used in a month. In other surrounding areas, simply installing secondary water meters has been successful in reducing the amount of water used each month. Right now those meters are mainly down on the west side of our City, but each year you will no doubt see more and more installed. Just look for a light purple secondary water lid and you will know that yard has a meter.

The second part of our meeting discussed future water infrastructure needs and how that relates to future rate increases. In the next few years we can look for our culinary water rates to increase at an amount that is still to be determined. The aging infrastructure, along with our future water needs, is a large part of what the increased monthly fees will be used for.

In summary, we might ask ourselves if one person's conservation efforts effort can really make a difference. The answer is that one person probably won't help a whole lot, but by working together as a whole City, we really can make sure this limited resource can be managed and used in a responsible way.

As always if you have any questions comments or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Erik Craythorne
West Point City Mayor

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City Council Meetings:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

6:00pm Administrative Session

7:00pm General Session

Planning Commission Meetings:

2nd & 4th Thursdays

6:00pm Administrative Session

7:00pm General Session

Meetings subject to cancellation

SEWER RATE INCREASE

As part of a four-year rate increase schedule adopted December 12, 2013 by the North Davis Sewer District, rates will be increasing effective July 1, 2016. The current rate is \$22.20, and the new rate as of July 1st, will be 25.20. If you have any questions, please call the NDSO directly at 801-825-0712, or visit their website at www.ndsd.org

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS & EVENTS

If you would like more information about the activities listed on this page please contact Jolene Kap @ 801-614-5347 or email jkap@www.westpointcity.org

Senior Dinner

This month West Point will hold a special Senior Dinner held on Friday, August 19th at 5:00pm. Entertainment will be provided by the 2016-2017 Miss West Point Royalty.

This month's menu is: Lasagna, garlic bread, salad and bundt cake for dessert.

YOU MUST RSVP TO RESERVE A SPOT please call by August 16th 801-776-0970 .

CITY CALENDAR

August 2016

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2 City Council 7:00PM	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Planning Commission 7:00PM	12	13
14	15	16 City Council 7:00PM	17	18	19 Senior Dinner 5:00 PM	20
21	22	23	24 School Starts for Davis County	25 Planning Commission 7:00PM	26	27
28	29	30	31			



YOUTH COUNCIL

The West Point Youth Council enjoyed a fun day at Lagoon. This was for all their hard work they have done this past year.

This upcoming month they will be working on planning their final awards banquet to recognize those who have helped this year and the many wonderful things they have done as a group.

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much”
-Helen Keller

Applications for the 2016-2017 Youth Council will be available after August 1st.

If you are interested in serving on next years Youth Council be sure to stop by City Hall to pick one up or you can access the form on the City website under the Community Affairs page.

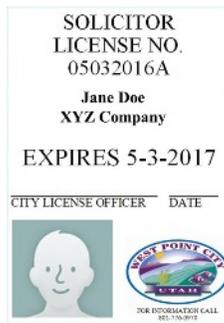


COMMUNITY INFORMATION & EVENTS

Be sure to view the City website for up-to-date information and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

SOLICITORS

Please be aware that door-to-door sales people are required to be licensed with the City. There have been several stories in the news recently about aggressive solicitors. In order to protect the residents the City Council adopted an ordinance that requires all solicitors to obtain a license and have a background check done. All licensed solicitors are issued a badge that must be worn at all times. If you are curious if a solicitor is licensed ask to see their badge. Here is a picture of what the license looks. It will also be signed and stamped with the City's seal. We hope that adds a level of comfort when approached by a solicitor, but remember that there are no guarantees. If you are ever uncomfortable please call the Sheriff's office 801-451-4150. Also, solicitors are required to obey "No Solicitors" signs, so if you do not wish them visiting your home, consider putting up a sign.



Demolition Continues on 2000 West



Crews continue to clear and remove homes on 2000 West acquired by UDOT for the widening of the roadway. The project team reminds citizens no public entry is permitted on these properties. Habitat for Humanity is authorized to enter the property for removal of items. Questions? Call [801-712-3030](tel:801-712-3030).

WEST POINT CITY GENERAL PLAN

West Point City Council and Planning Commission are reviewing the City's General Plan. This plan is an important tool in shaping the future of West Point City. Where should we put a new park? Do we need a civic center? What new roads are being considered? The City encourages all to be informed and give feedback when necessary on the proposed changes. A new website has been created to help you view and comment on the these changes. You can find this website at www.planwestpoint.org. If you have other questions please contact City Hall.

CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

TREE TRIMMING

Failure to properly trim trees can cause a dangerous situation for pedestrians and vehicles using City Streets. West Point City Ordinance 17.80.189C states, "Trees and bushes must be cut 7 feet about the sidewalk and 13 feet and 6 inches above the street. This includes all trees and/or bushes in the parking strip." When trees are not properly trimmed, garbage trucks have a difficult time approaching garbage containers, street signs including stop signs are sometimes difficult to see. Children using sidewalks are sometimes hard to see from oncoming vehicles. In addition, some trees which have been dead create a hazardous condition and should be removed. (WPCC 8.15.030.16) Please help avoid a significant safety hazard by properly trimming or removing trees and bushes.

Please call Bruce Dopp, West Point City Code Enforcement Officer at 801-776-0970 or use the City Web site at www.westpointcity.org with any questions.

Davis County Fair

"Pirates of the Fairibbean"

August 17-20



It's going to be a pirate summer for Davis County fairgoers. This years fair features a free elephant show, alligator show, and a free pirate acrobat circus. Admission to the fair is free.

More information, including a full entertainment schedule, can be found at www.davisfair.com

Davis County Senior Services is offering the following Caregiver Classes:
Sunshine and other Bright Ideas

Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at noon

Fairfield Village of Layton-1201 N Fairfield Rd, Layton

Thursday, August 18, 2016 at noon

Golden Years Senior Activity Center- 726 S 100 E, Bountiful

RSVP to Megan at 801-525-5088 by

Friday, August, 12th by noon.

Farmers Markets & Produce Stands of Davis County

The Davis County Health Department has created a health promotion project to improve healthy food choices in the county. They have compiled a list of all the local produce stands and farmers markers through out Davis County. To find one close to

you please visit the Davis County Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/DavisCountyHealth>

Or you can find the flyer posted on the City Facebook page.



Children Gardening

Sponsored by NW Rotary

Come and join our free classes for your little gardeners! Community Garden is located

470 N 2150 W.

West Point

*August 9th-Insects: The Good the Bad and the Ugly

*September 13th-Pollinators

*October 11th-Kiddie Korn Maze

All classes held from 4:00-5:00pm
Parental Involvement



COMMUNITY INFORMATION & EVENTS

West Point Military Memorial

Over the past several months, and especially the past few weeks, we have received tremendous support from donors. We would love to mention all those who have contributed, but as that would be too consuming of both space and time, we want it to be known that we are beyond grateful for all of your support. The Monument is progressing well and we have planned the dedication for November 11th, 2016.

We would also like to thank the West Point Youth Council for the hard work they put into decorating the Veterans Float for the Independence Day parade. It was beautiful and received many compliments, both from the veterans themselves, and from parade spectators. The cadets from the Utah Military Academy also have our special thanks for their efforts in raising the Flag the morning of July 4th, for marching with the colors in the parade, and for their demonstrations of the changing-of-the-guard ceremony seen at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. All of the support the Committee has received has warmed our hearts and we sincerely thank our great residents.

On September 10th, we will be sponsoring a Fun Run beginning at the Loy Blake Park at 8:00 AM. There will also be a Championship Putting Tournament at the Swan Lakes Golf Course sponsored by the Northern Wasatch Rotary Club, beginning at 10:00 AM. The proceeds received from these events will be contributed to the Military Memorial and other humanitarian services. Please watch for more information, or you can call or text (801) 900-1298. Thanks again for all of your support!

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Patricia Galloway 801-725-1247
Karen Stratton 801-773-2776
Royce Ross 801-825-1426

Davis County 4th Annual Flag Retirement and Military Tribute

Conducted by American Legion
Post 27 Farmington
August 18, 8:30pm, Outdoor
Arena, Davis County Fairgrounds

*U.S. Flag Code: Worn and torn
American flags should be properly
disposed of by fire.

*Those who have flags unfit to display
may drop them off at their local Fire
Department.

*In a solemn and spectacular ceremony,
hundreds of flags no longer worthy to
be flown will be retired.



RECREATION

Recreation sign-ups can be done online at www.westpointcity.org or stop by City Hall to fill out a registration form.

Contact Kelly Ross @ 801-776-0970 for more information on recreation activities and sign ups.

Fall Soccer -

Registration for fall soccer will be extended through the first week of August.

(Practices should begin the week of August 15th.)

Grades Pre-K thru 6th.

Cost is 40.00

Volleyball -

Registration will begin August 22nd and run until September 19th. Grades 3rd-9th.

Cost is \$40.00