Mayor’s Message

West Point City and my 12-year-old

Month after month for almost nine years I get an email reminder telling me that I need to write my newsletter for the next month. I don’t know why but it always seems like it is a surprise to me. This month the reminder came as I was bow hunting down in southern Utah. I am writing my September newsletter in a tent miles and miles from any improved road. I asked my 12-year-old son, Easton, who is hunting with me, what I should write about and he said “does anybody even read that other than grandma and grandpa?” I told him I thought I had a few other people who read it and he quickly said “I doubt that”. As Easton and I were going back and forth I asked him what I should write about. He said I should tell everyone how much fun the movie in the park was this summer, and the fact we had the Lucky Slice Pizza food truck. He thinks that the event will become more and more popular. Apparently, he really likes Lucky Slice Pizza. I personally was not able to attend a movie in the park, but from what I heard it was a huge success and I am sure as the word spreads it will just get bigger and better next year.

Road construction updates

Two of the biggest projects everyone is talking about is the 2000 West widening and the West Davis Corridor construction timeline. I have talked about these two projects in the past but I wanted to give you a quick update based on some meetings I attended last week in regards to the West Davis Corridor. I believe I had written that the West Davis Highway would be completed around 2024. UDOT told me and the City Council last week that it would be completed by 2022. I also thought it was interesting the Environmental Impact Statement that has taken 7 years to complete only addressed the highway needs to 1800 N. That doesn’t mean it won’t go north of 1800 N. eventually but UDOT would have to do another EIS once the need arises. I also have been telling everyone that the new highway will end at SR193. We hope it does but funding will be tight to make that happen. If it doesn’t end at SR193, phase 1 will stop at Antelope Drive in Syracuse. A lot of residents who live here are interested in when phase 2 will be constructed. My answer to that is right now Davis County received 600 million dollars to construct the road from Farmington to West Point/Syracuse funding for phase 2 might have to wait a while as our legislators like to spread the money around. The second big hurdle will be the need for phase 2. Currently the EIS does not even support a four-lane highway going through West Point and significant growth in our area and the area north of us will dictate when that will be needed. I estimate we are at least 10 years out.

I am sure all of you have been impacted by the 2000 West widening. In our area UDOT has been focused on demolishing the homes and utility relocations. The majority of the actual construction has taken place just south of SR193 moving south to about 1000 South in Syracuse. I have noticed significant attention being paid around Syracuse High School to make sure all the impacts were taken care of before school starts. UDOT is also expected to complete the Highway 193 connection down to 3000 West this fall. Highway 193 once completed, is going to put significant pressure on 3000 West impacting those who live on that road and those of us who drive along there going north and south. Please slow down, obey posted speed limit signs and be mindful of those residents who have to back out on 3000 W. The posted speed limit is 30 mph and we have already been getting complaints of people speeding on that road so please slow down.

Well that is about it for this month. Hope you liked it mom and dad!

Erik Craythorne
West Point City Mayor
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS & EVENTS

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

YOUTH COUNCIL

Congratulations to the 2017-2018 YC.

They were sworn in August 1st and are busy planning the activities for the year.

2017-2018 YC Members and Officers!

Jacob Bair, Sidney Bair, David Bodiker, Kami Broadbent, Ethan Brough, Mariah Burrell, Desiree Carstensen, Destiny Carstensen, Lucy Christensen, Bridger Gordon, Brooklyn Hamblin, Emma Hamblin, Jacob Hebertson, Spencer Hill, Kamry Kap, Kylie Kap, Hayden Kemp, Tyler Larsen, Kynlee Longhurst, Kylee McCarrey, Shay Michaels, Blake Miles, Hannah Miner, Tamma Miner, Angelina Orton, James Orton, Isaac Pherson, Jonnie Pherson, Dax Phillips, Bethany Pitcher, Brinlee Price, Ryland Price, Alicia Reading, Josh Reading, Elijah Richards, Jarom Richards, Jillian Robinette, Johny Seffker, Melissa Seffker, Mickell Shakespear, Ethan Smith, Marissa Smith, Tevan Tobler, Dallan Tobler

YOUTH COUNCIL OFFICERS
Mayor- Amy Taggart; Mayor Pro-Tem- Kalli Hamblin; City Manager- Dylan Shakespear; City Recorder- Chloe Titensor; Treasurer- Katie Orton; Historian- Jeremy Titensor

YOUTH COUNCIL ADVISORS
Chersty Titensor & Raini Tucker

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West Point Fire Prevention Night
381 N 3150 W
Tuesday, October 10th from 5:30-8:00pm
Join us this year for Fire Truck Rides, Life Flight, Extrication demos, Davis County Sheriff’s K-9’s and the United States Coast Guards Boat prop. There will be many vendors with free stuff and don’t forget the Fire Prevention Teams of Sparky, Smokey, Smokestack and that funny GUS GUS.

West Point City Halloween Carnival
Friday, October 20th from 7:00-8:30pm
“SCARE HUNGER AWAY”
Please bring a can of food per child to donate to the Utah Food Bank.

West Point City will be providing dumpsters for a fall clean-up. Dumpsters will be dropped off on Friday, October 13th and picked up on Saturday, October 14th. There will be 2 dumpsters at Loy Blake Park, 1 dumpster at Bingham Park and 1 dumpster at East Park.

If dumpsters are full, please try a different location. DO NOT PILE GARBAGE OUTSIDE OF THE DUMPSTER.
No hazardous material, concrete, tires, etc.
Contact City Hall with questions 801-776-0970

FLU SHOTS
West Point City and CNS will be hosting a flu shot clinic on Monday, September 18th From 4-5:30pm at West Point City Hall 3200 W 300 N. CNS is a preferred provider and is contracted to bill directly to your insurance. Insurance cards must be presented at the time of service. Additionally, in self-pay situations we accept cash, check, or credit card.

ATTENTION ALL SECONDARY WATER USERS
Just a reminder that all irrigation deliveries will be shut off mid-October.
Please call Davis & Weber Counties Canal Company at 801-774-6373 if you have any questions.
For updated information you can also view their web page @ DAVISWEBER.ORG

A complete cemetery cleaning will be held Thursday, October 5th, weather permitting.
Please remove all items from the cemetery, any items left during the cleaning will be discarded.
Contact Casey with any questions 801-776-0970

safeTALK
The Davis County Health Department is offering safeTALK training. As a safeTALK trained suicide alert helper, you will be better able to help those with suicide tendencies and thoughts. Classes will be held September 1st, October 6th or November 10th. Cost is free, time varies. For more information or to register please visit www.dbhprevention.org/trainings

CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

TREEmAINING
During my daily patrols of the City, I have noticed many trees which are in need of 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 requires that “Trees and bushes much be cut 7 feet above the sidewalk and 13 feet 6 inches above the 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. (WPCCF 8.15.030.16) Please help avoid a significant safety hazard by properly trimming and removing trees and bushes.

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

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RECREATION

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VOLLEYBALL-
Registration will begin August 21st and run until September 18th.
Grades 3rd-9th
Cost is $40.00

JR JAZZ-
Registration will run October 2nd thru November 6th
$50.00 for grades 1st-6th
$60.00 for grades 7th-12th

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2. Always keep the muzzle (where the bullets come out) pointed in a safe direction
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