

LEWISTON CITY

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Typically, in the message for July I am expressing thanks and reminiscences of an enjoyable and successful celebration of our country's founding. This year the holiday has been like no other we have ever experienced. At this time, we find ourselves amid a pandemic which has obviously confused those that consider themselves experts in the medical field. It has emboldened those that would seek to abolish freedom. It has further exposed a great political divide within our country. In these times we are fortunate to live within the somewhat protective valley we call home. Our country was founded upon great principals and we need to hold on to and exercise those principals to strengthen our country and to ward of those that seek to destroy it.

My hope and belief are that in the coming months we will overcome the virus that has besieged us the past several months and that life can return to normal. That we can have a celebration next year that will include all the traditions and events we have come to love.

The one event we were able to salvage was the fireworks display on July 4th. It was truly a

spectacular show and thanks need to be given to those that made it happen. Especially the generous donors which over the past several years have allowed us to expand the show. Also because of the lifting of some restrictions on crowd gatherings a privately sponsored rodeo event was held on July 3rd. I offer my thanks to those that persisted in their desire to hold an event and were able to pull it off at the last minute.

All the focus on the pandemic have distracted from other important activities that are ongoing within the city. As mentioned in previous communications we have been working on some major improvements to both our water and sewer systems. I am happy to report that both projects have been recently approved for funding. The sewer system has received approximately \$1,000,000 in grants from the Utah Water Quality Board and USDA. In addition, the USDA has approved a loan of approximately \$2,000,000 to complete the necessary improvements to the system. The loan will be paid back by user fees which unfortunately will have to increase to fund the improvements.

The water improvements has received a grant of \$400,000 and a loan of approximately \$8,300,000 for major improvements which will include the drilling of a new well and storage facility and delivery systems improvements to ensure adequate water to the west side of the city in particular. Again, the loan will be paid over time by user fees which will have to be adjusted to meet the terms of the loan payback.

These two projects represent a major change in direction for Lewiston City. To date we have been able to avoid projects of this magnitude. Unfortunately, infrastructure ages and in order to maintain viable systems investments need to be made. These plans have been thoroughly researched and evaluated by engineers and have been scaled back in scope by review with the council to a level of cost it is felt our community can best afford.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me at 435-770-4267 (if I do not answer please leave a message) or mayorfield@gmail.com.

Mayor Kelly Field

POINTS OF INTEREST

- ◆ *Special thanks to all of those who donated to the 4th Fireworks. Our community is so great to work together to make the most amazing things happen. Thank you!*
- ◆ *Lewiston Theatre has reopened! There is a limit of 100 seats per showing and only 1 show nightly at 7 p.m. Get out of the house and come watch a movie. For Movie listings check us out on Facebook, go to the City website @ www.lewistonut.org or call 435.258.1101 to hear what's playing.*
- ◆ *The Arts Council will begin the Concert in the Park series at 7 p.m. August 10, 2020. 'Cache Valley has Talent'- If you would like to perform contact Tova (435) 938.8405 or Amy (435) 512.1223.*
- ◆ *Special thanks to the Ned Simper 4-H Group for helping clean up the flowers from Memorial Day in the Cemetery!*
- ◆ *'Imagine Your Story' - Summer Reading cards are due by July 18th.*



LEWISTON THEATRE NEWS

JOB OPENING

Lewiston Theatre is accepting applications for a new employee. Candidates must be 18 years of age or older and be able to work Friday, Saturday and Monday evenings. If interested you may pick up an application at the City Office or the Theatre during regular open hours.

Applications are being accepted at the City Office or the Theatre from July 3, 2020 through July 17, 2020.

Questions call Rosie @ 435-563-3141

July Movies

- ◆ Inside Out PG July 10, 11, 13
- ◆ Beauty and the Beast PG July 17, 18, 20
- ◆ Dolittle PG July 24, 25, 27
- ◆ One Show Nightly at 7 pm
- ◆ Limited to 100 Seats per Showing
- ◆ 435.258.1101
- ◆ www.lewiston-ut.org
- ◆ Facebook—Lewiston Theatre

LIBRARY NEWS

- Photo Contest for 2021 Library Calendar– Limit 2 entries per household. Send photos to bethanne.c@lewiston-ut.org. Due July 30, 2020.
- Lewiston Library Calendar Fundraiser– If you would like a 2021 Lewiston Library Birthday Calendar please call the Library to get one (or more) ordered. The Birthday Calendar Fundraiser is a great way to get your anniversaries, birthdays and other family events on a great calendar for a very reasonable price. Calendar is \$5.50 with .25 per listing. Get yours orders in! If you have not been called then just contact the library (435) 258.5515 and make your order today!
- Thank you to our ‘Imagine Your Story’ -Summer Reading sponsors; Casper’s Ice Cream, Hall’s Store, Lewiston Theatre, Julie’s Marketplace, Maverik, McDonald’s, Pepperidge Farms, Old Grist Mill and Stoke’s Market!
- The Library is open– Come in and check us out!!!

