

# Lewiston City Newsletter

June 2019

## Mayor's Report

There are many things I could discuss with you this month. June brings the end of the budget year for all cities in Utah. I am happy to report that Lewiston lives within its means and our final financial position will be within the budget that was set. There will be a public hearing for the new budget held in conjunction with our council meeting scheduled for June 18. With the new budget we propose to hold the current property tax rate as we have done over the years. This action prevents the situation that many cities face where they are required to request gigantic increases due to inflation over time. Holding the tax rate results in small incremental increases in property taxes over time and helps to offset increases in the cost of providing services such as employee compensation, insurance, road maintenance, etc.

This coming year does present some financial challenges. We need to replace at a minimum one of our dump trucks/snowplows. The cost of these

units is high but fortunately we do have some money saved for this purchase. We are also facing some major improvement costs for both the culinary water system and the sewer system. I will discuss these projects in detail as they move forward. The financing of these projects will require some long-term debt that will be paid back over time from the user fees. In association with these needed improvements the proposed budget includes an increase in the user fees for both services. The base fee for sewer service will increase by \$5/month and the water service fees will increase by 5%. We are trying to increase these fees gradually over the next several years to pay for the needed improvements. The council feels that a gradual increase in fees is easier for personal budgets to absorb than to impose a large rate increase that would be required at the time bonds are taken to pay for the improvements.

Taxes and fees are complex and difficult topics. I have only given a brief description of the process in this letter. If any of you wish to

discuss in-depth, please feel free to contact me.

July 4<sup>th</sup> is rapidly approaching and will be past before our next newsletter. This year we have invited a special guest to be our patriotic speaker. Lt Col. Jay C. Hess a friend and hero of mine has agreed to address us. Lt. Col. Hess is a POW from the Vietnam war. He was held prisoner for 2028 days including time in the infamous "Hanoi Hilton". I encourage all to attend his presentation and to participate in all the activities held in conjunction with the celebration of our great nation.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at [mayorfield@gmail.com](mailto:mayorfield@gmail.com) or 435-770-4267.

Mayor Kelly Field



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### Lewiston's Got Talent-

#### Arts Council Concert in the Park

*New Night- Thursday*

*Join us at the Church Park  
16 S Main, June 13 @ 7 pm for  
Cookies & Entertainment !!*



### **Cache Mosquito Abatement District/ CMAD**

*\*For Fogging schedule or to report standing water areas contact information is:*

*[www.cachemosquito.com](http://www.cachemosquito.com)*

*435.764.6839*

*Local Representative  
Darwin Pitcher*

*435.258.5154*





## Photo Contest for 2010 Lewiston Library Calendar

Winner receives \$50

Submit picture to [bethanne.c@lewiston-ut.org](mailto:bethanne.c@lewiston-ut.org) Deadline July 15<sup>th</sup>

### Lewiston Library Annual Calendar Fundraiser

\$5.50 per Calendar

Want to add your Birthday  
or Anniversary? \$0.25 per name



Freebies for having your name on the Calendar:

\*Free Drink at Hall's Store  
on your Birthday.

\*Free movie During your  
Birthday Month.

\*Free Breadsticks w/ Purchase

Contact Lewiston Library 258-5515 of Pizza during Your Birthday Month.

*a Universe  
of Stories*

Bring your children  
To the Library for  
Summer Reading!

June 5- July 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10 am



#### Arts Council 4th of July Quilt Raffle

- 1 Ticket \$1
- 6 Tickets \$5
- 12 Tickets \$10
- 25 Tickets \$20
- Do not need to be present to win
- Drawing is July 4th
- Tickets can be purchased at the City Office of the Library
- Quilts are on display at the Library

#### General City Contact Information

City Office	435.258.2141
Library	435.258.5515
Public Works	435.258.5191
Theatre	435.258.1101

[www.lewiston-ut.org](http://www.lewiston-ut.org)

We can always use 4th of July volunteers. Please contact the city office if you are willing to share some of your time to help make our celebration memorable!

# FIGHT the BITE!



## WEST NILE VIRUS

Prevention Starts  
In Your Own Back Yard!

**Control mosquitoes—Get rid of all standing water! Use this checklist as a guide.**

- Turn over or remove containers in your yard where water collects, such as old tires, potted plant trays, buckets, toys, etc.
- Clean out birdbaths and wading pools at least once a week.
- Remove standing water on tarps or flat roofs.
- Clean clogged rain gutters and downspouts.
- Clean and stock garden ponds with mosquito-eating fish or mosquito dunks.
- Recycle old bottles, buckets and cans.
- Keep water fresh for your animals.
- Repair leaky faucets and sprinklers.
- Keep swimming pools clean or drain them.

**Personal Safety—Avoid mosquito bites**

- Use mosquito repellent with DEET from dusk to dawn: up to 35% for adults and up to 10% for children 2 months to 12 years
- Cover up, wear long sleeves and pants for extra protection.

For more information, visit [www.health.utah.gov/wnv](http://www.health.utah.gov/wnv)  
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