

**Paradise Town  
Office of the Mayor**

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**February 2013**

**WINTER** – After a dry winter last year it is nice to have a little more snow this season. Spring should be around the corner, but in case we have a few more storms, please help us clear the streets safely and efficiently by doing the following:

- Do not park on or near the roadways – especially during or after a storm.
- Put trash/recycle containers on the roads Wed morning rather than Tues night if it will be stormy and remove them as soon as possible.
- Don't push your snow out into the roadways with 4-wheelers unless you really can get it all the way across and into an open area on the road right-of-way.

Also – for those that have had freeze-up problems with water this year or any other year, it is best to continue leaving a dribble of water running until we get away from repeated low temps in the teens. It is much safer and easier to run the water system wells a little more than it is to thaw frozen water service lines.

**DOG CLINIC** - We are planning our annual Dog Clinic for Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Town Shed from 10 AM to 1 PM. Bring your records for Rabies. Also bring your dog on a leash if you need Clay to give it any required shots for a nominal charge. Of course, if you are not able to come to the Dog Clinic, you can bring your rabies records to Bev at the office during regular hours and she can get you a tag.

**SPEAKING OF DOGS**.....while out plowing snow this winter I am amazed how many dogs are running loose in town at all hours of the day/night. Of course this is very undesirable for many reasons. I have a neighbor that when he goes for his evening walk he carries a cane, and it is to provide some form of protection from dogs rather than as an aide for his mobility! Garbage cans get tipped over and raided by dogs and children get growled at while walking to/from the bus stop and all of this can be prevented with a little care from dog owners.

If you see a problem with dogs running at large – please contact the Sherriff Office Dispatch at 716-9400. If your dog comes up missing and has a tag, the Animal Control officer from the Sherriff's Office will try to contact you with your dog and a citation. If you don't have a tag and your dog is missing, contact the Cache Humane Society at 792-3920 since that is who we have contracted with for temporary holding.

**2013/2014 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION** – If you have a child that will be turning 5 on or before September 1, 2013, it is already time to get him/her registered for the fall Kindergarten school year! The enrollment times/dates are Tuesday March at 12 Noon – 7 PM and Wednesday March 13 at 8 AM – 3 PM at Canyon Elementary in Hyrum. Bring your child, Birth Certificate, Immunization Records, and Proof of address/residency to that short assessment/registration visit. For more information please visit [www.ccsdut.org](http://www.ccsdut.org).

**NOTICE OF ELECTION** – The State Law regarding municipal elections requires at a minimum that we post a Notice of Election at the State legal notice website and at our usual posting area at the Town Hall and the Post Office. We have complied with those minimum requirements but I want to take a moment to provide a little more information on that subject. There are two 4-year Council seats open this fall that are currently held by Dale Anderson and Kyle Smith as well as the Mayor position. At this early stage, I don't believe that any of the 3 incumbents have made any firm decisions about running again. The window to sign up with Bev for any of those 3 seats begins June 1 and ends 14 days later. Utah Code 10-3-301 describes the eligibility requirements for municipal official candidates.

For those that may be interested in public service in an appointed rather than elected capacity, we need another 1-2 residents that would be interested in serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Please talk to myself, Bev, or a member of the Town Council for more information about that opportunity.

**INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE FROM BRAG** – The Bear River Association of Governments will be coordinating efforts again on the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program for those that would like help in dealing with the complexities of our Federal and State tax system. Please contact Jodi West at 713-1431 or [jodiw@brag.utah.gov](mailto:jodiw@brag.utah.gov) for more information on this service.

Feel free to call or e-mail me with any, concerns, comments, or questions regarding the above notes or other Town issues.

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