

**Paradise Town
Office of the Mayor**

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DOG CLINIC - We are planning our annual Dog Clinic for Saturday February 28th 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 get it another rabies shot. The rabies shots will be \$12.50 and Parvo/Distemper will be \$15. Of course, if you are not able to come to the Dog Clinic, you can bring your rabies records to Alyssa at the office during regular hours and she can get you a tag.

2015/2016 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION – If you have a child that will be turning 5 on or before September 1, 2015, it is already time to get him/her registered for the fall Kindergarten school year! The enrollment times/dates are Wednesday, March 11 from 8AM – 3PM and Thursday March 12 from Noon – 6:30 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.

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 Jay Rinderknecht and Margaret Obray. The window to sign up with Alyssa for those seats begins June 1 and runs thru June 8th. Utah Code 10-3-301 describes the eligibility requirements for municipal official candidates. If you have any questions about serving in the community on the Town Council, I would invite you to visit with myself, Alyssa, or any of the other four members of the Council (Margaret Obray, Jay Rinderknecht, Kyle Smith or Spencer Winn.)

ASSISTANCE FROM BRAG – The Bear River Association of Governments is coordinating the local HEAT Program in the Cache Valley area. The HEAT Program is a federally funded assistance program designed to help low-income, elderly and disabled households with home energy costs. The HEAT program is open Nov 1 through April 30th or until federal funds are exhausted. Eligibility and benefit amounts are determined by number of U.S. residents or permanent residents in the household, household income, household size, and energy costs (fuel and electric bills). Households must be under 150% of the Federal Poverty Level. HEAT benefits are a one-time payment and will not cover your entire winter heating costs. The HEAT Program is located in the BRAG Offices at 170 N Main in Logan. Please contact Susan Wright at 713-1443 or susanw@brag.utah.gov to schedule an appointment or to find out more information about this program.

CAMERA AT 200 WEST AND 8800 SOUTH – I have had several people ask me about what was recently installed at the intersection of 8800 South on the highway. Some people want to know why the Feds are spying on us or if they can use it to see if the Sheriff is hiding at the old Car Service building to catch speeders that haven't sufficiently slowed as they come in to town.....

Quite simply, it is a solar powered road camera that was installed by UDOT to monitor the condition of State Route 165 as it reaches the end of where UDOT is responsible for maintenance. Often times we have different weather at our corner of the valley when compared to Logan or even Hyrum, and hopefully they can use this tool to see when to send the big orange truck our way for snow/ice removal, and when to save time and fuel by delaying the crew until needed.

This specific camera is not online quite yet, but will be soon. It can be accessed by going to www.commuterlink.utah.gov and when you get to the page with the map, drag it down so you can see our area of the state and resize it so you can click on the camera symbol in town.

When I was working at the rocket factory in the other valley, these various cameras in northern Utah were a very useful tool to see which way I wanted to come home, or if it made sense to leave early to get the snow plow going. It will be handy for those of us that work some distance away to see what it is like at home. Law enforcement/UDOT will have the ability to steer the camera if needed to monitor specific conditions real time, but for us regular folks, we get still images that are updated every few minutes that look in whatever direction the camera was last pointed (usually north or south.)

This is the information directly from the UDOT website:

What is UDOT Traffic?

UDOT Traffic is Utah's traffic authority. More than 700 overhead traffic cameras and 1500 in-road traffic sensors are constantly capturing photographs, video and traffic data on all major Utah Department of Transportation roads. The photos, videos and traffic data on this website, are used by UDOT Traffic, local news, national organizations and other information sources to communicate Utah's traffic status to the public.

UDOT Traffic has invested in this advanced system to capture and distribute traffic information in an attempt to make driving in Utah more efficient and less frustrating. In partnership with strong media sources, UDOT Traffic is committed to forge ahead with more traffic cameras, more intelligent data and more traffic solutions for Utah's growing driver population.

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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