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Mayor's Message



News from the Mayor's Office

Those who know me, know that it was with hesitation that I considered whether to apply to be the city's interim mayor. It was not an easy decision for me. I appreciate the encouragement (and arm twisting) of those who asked me to apply, and I am grateful for those of you who have expressed your appreciation and confidence in the Council's decision. I look forward to working with all of our citizens as we address and resolve the challenges that come our way.

Pressurized Irrigation System

I am happy to report that the city's pressurized irrigation system is greatly improved. There is still more to do, but it appears a bad period is mostly behind us. Many, but not all, have adopted the recommended watering schedule. The pressure at the City's pump has consistently increased. Even in these hot temperatures, most of the brown lawns are greening up and we have reason to be optimistic. There are back up water pump and repair supplies on site in case of future mechanical problems. Much has been done. More needs to be done to find a long-term solution. I will report our findings and make recommendations to the city council at our meeting in August. If you have suggestions or concerns, please let me know. In the meantime I have reprinted below the watering schedule for all users of the City's pressurized irrigation system

Even numbered houses	Monday and Thursday
Odd numbered houses	Tuesday and Friday
Schools, Churches and Parks	Wednesday and Sunday

I would like Saturday reserved for emergencies only and to allow the system to recharge itself. By following this schedule, you will help yourselves and your neighbors have adequate pressure in your system. For those with automatic sprinkler systems, please adjust your timers. Our lowest demand occurs between the hours of 2:00 am to 6:00 am, and between 12 noon and 7:00 pm. Your patience is appreciated. Long term solutions are being worked on and should be in place soon.

City Newsletter

August 2006 Edition

Traffic on 1200 North near the new Jr. High School

Our Public Safety and Public Works Directors, in conjunction with others have been working to find a solution to the car and pedestrian traffic congestion we expect when the new Jr. High School starts in August. Several suggestions have been considered. As a temporary measure, the speed limit on 1200 North between 400 East and 600 East will be reduced from 25 to 15 mph. We will assign sufficient police officers at the corner of 1200 North and 400 East to help control and train the pedestrian traffic to stay on the sidewalks that are available, but drivers will also have to slow their speed to create a safe environment. We are planning a permanent solution to the problem that will be presented to the City Council during our August council meeting.

Improved Communications

I appreciate the hard work and commitment of our city employees. I respect their dedication to their jobs. However, if I could change one thing it would be to have improved communications between our city employees and our citizens. The heads of each department have committed to promptly communicate with you on issues that are brought to their attention. They have committed to return calls, respond to voice mail and email messages timely and to have every member of their departments do the same. As your Mayor, I invite anyone who feels their needs have not been promptly addressed to notify me, so I can be sure your concerns are not overlooked. I can be reached at 489-5655 at the city offices on Tuesday and Friday mornings, at my home at 489-7516 or by email at mayor@mapleton.org.

City Calendar

Aug 2	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Aug 16	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Aug 17	7:00pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Tuesdays	10:30am	Story Time Hour
Museum Tours call: 489-6714, 491-6676, or 489-7786		

Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North). For more information about City Meetings contact 489-5655. **Agendas, Minutes, Public Notices and the Newsletter are available on the City website at www.mapleton.org.**

Concerts in the Park

Saturday Evenings - July & August

Please come and enjoy the Mapleton Concerts in the Park every Saturday evening at 7:30pm during July and August. They are held at the Memorial Park (corner of Maple and Main Streets). Please contact Councilwoman Ann Tolley for more details.

Dates and Performers are listed below:

July 29 - 600 East Electric guitars, drums and amps - versatile modern rock! This group is going places.

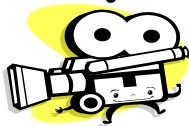
Aug. 5 - Old Time Fiddlers Get ready to be entertained! Clap your hands, stomp your feet and sit back and enjoy!

Aug. 19 - Cold Creek The official blue grass group of the Institute of American Music

Aug.26 - Bits of This and That Barbershop Quartet, folk guitar, ballads - sweet music for a soft summer evening.

If inclement weather, the concert will be held at the Memorial Hall Building.

Outdoor Family Movie Night



Friday, August 11th -8:30 PM-11:00PM—The Mapleton City Youth Council is sponsoring an Outdoor Family Movie Night in the City Park, near the Tennis Courts. The featured movie is “Sandlot”, and it **WILL BE FREE!!!** Popcorn and Drinks will be available for purchase. Bring your own blanket or chairs to sit on. Please come join family and friends for a great time! **HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!**

Public Safety

Safety Concerns

School will be starting soon and with the new Mapleton Jr. High School going in there will be increased traffic on 1200 North and Main Street. We ask that you slow down and watch for children in the area that will be walking or riding their bicycles to school. We will have officers out the first day of school to help with traffic control around the Jr. High School and the other two schools. Lets all continue to make Mapleton a safe place to live.

Public Works

Expediting of Phone Calls

To expedite calls for repairs, leaks, blockages etc. for which the City is responsible, a new telephone line has been installed to help you in processing these matters.

The new direct telephone line number is (801) 806-9188, which will link you to our Public Works Department Coordinator and tracking system. This will enable you to notify us of problems and receive information quickly on when the City will be dealing with them.

We hope this new system will assist our residents in obtaining information as to how the City’s Public Works Department is intending to handle your complaints or request for repairs by our City Public Works Staff.

New Street Sweeper

Mapleton City has purchased a new street sweeper. This will help to keep the city looking much cleaner and prevent dirt and debris onto the storm water systems. We still ask that grass clippings and other debris still be cleaned up so as not to drain into the storm drain systems.

Water Conservation

Please be mindful of water conservation by check your sprinkling systems for proper coverage. Check the soil with some type of probe to see at what depth water is penetrating the soil. Clay soils may require an application of water with an interval and then another application to provide better penetration of water.

Sprinkling Systems

Please check the coverage of your sprinkling systems. Adjust the heads so that water is not spraying onto the sidewalk or into the street. To further optimize your sprinkling system for better service, more stations may need to be added to provide better coverage of the landscaped area.

Connection to a secondary water source requires a physical air gap, not just a valve between the secondary and culinary systems. As part of our cross connection program and for public awareness, we do periodic checks on the systems.

Please also be aware that a cross connection between the pressurized irrigation system and the culinary water system is in violation of State and Municipal Code (Mapleton City Section 13.30, Class B misdemeanor). This is to protect against cross contamination to the City’s culinary water system.

Recreation

Soccer Kick-Off Clinic - Saturday August 5th

BYU Soccer Teams will offer a skills building soccer clinic for all Mapleton Recreation Players. This is a great opportunity to learn from top athletes. Don't miss it!!

The cost at registration or that day is **Only \$5.00**

Location: Ira Allan Park (2000 S. 800 W.)

VIP Special Needs Adaptive Soccer Program-It's A Kick !

Join us for our 2nd year of adaptive soccer. Our first year was a great success. We play on smaller fields with buddies and everybody has a great time! Games will begin in September.

- **The cost will be only \$15.00 which includes a soccer uniform (Shirt & Socks)**

For more information or to register contact Keri Beardall at 489-4904 or send registration forms to 1822 South 300 East, Springville or contact Stacey Child at 489-7752 or register at the Mapleton City Offices located at 125 West 400 North.

Soccer Registration

Sign-ups for fall Soccer held June 27th, 2006

Late Sign-ups for soccer will be held at the Mapleton City Offices

\$ 10.00 Late Fee after June 30th

Soccer Games will begin at the end of August

Pre - K	3 on 3 (Boys & Girls Ages 4)	\$ 25.00
Kindergarten	3 on 3 (Boys & Girls)	\$ 25.00
1 st Grade	4 on 4 (Boys & Girls)	\$ 25.00
2 nd & 3 rd Grade Boys/Girls		\$ 25.00
2 nd & 3 rd Grade Girls		\$ 25.00
4 th & 5 th Grade Boys/Girls		\$ 25.00

VIP Special Needs Adaptive League (Kindergarten - 18) \$ 15.00

- Uniforms: We will be using the same uniforms as last year.
- You will **not** need to purchase a uniform if you already have one.
- New Uniforms: Shirts: \$ 13.00 Shorts: \$ 10.00 Socks:\$ 3.00

Attention Mapleton Has "Sole"

Participants, make sure you record all your miles by August 31st. The Walking Challenge Final Mile & Award Night will be held Monday, September 6th at 6:00pm. Watch for more details

School Registration

Registration for all Mapleton students, kindergarten through 6th grade, will be held on Tuesday, August 1, 2006 at their school from 8:00am to 4:00pm

Purposes of Registration:

- Information Card – Fill out new information card with parent/guardian signature for each child.
- School Lunch – You may pay for school lunch on this day. Applications will also be available for free and reduced lunches.
- PTA – You may join PTA at this time, order t-shirts, and sign up if you would like to volunteer.
- Kindergarten – Sign up for kindergarten assessment. (Bring immunization record and birth certificates for any students who are not pre-registered).

Community Development

Front Yard Landscaping

We would like to remind anyone who has recently built a home in Mapleton that the City Code requires that the front yard landscaping be installed within one year of the completion of the home. Section 17.15 of the Mapleton City Code is the applicable ordinance. The ordinance allows for a myriad of landscape types, including Xeriscape (commonly thought to be called "zero-scape"), the use of ground covers, shrubs, decorative rock, sod, grasses, etc. The ordinance and a definition of terms can be found on our website at www.mapleton.org in the City Code Section.

More on Xeriscaping

Xeriscape is a word derived from the combination of a Greek word "Xeros" meaning dry and "scape" from the word "landscape." Xeriscape is an effective landscape tool that if used correctly, will not only make for a good looking yard, but will help conserve water. Xeriscape techniques can be used and incorporated into more traditional yards with grass. For more information on Xeriscape simply search the internet or contact the Utah State University extension offices at the History Utah County Courthouse.

General Plan

Please note that the next General Plan discussion meeting will be held on August 10, 2006 in the Mapleton City Council chambers, 125 W. Community Center Way. This is not a public hearing, but the public is encouraged to attend and listen to the discussions. A public hearing will be held sometime either late this Summer or in the early Fall. Look for more information in the next City Newsletter.

Senior Citizen Committee Volunteers Needed

We are looking for people to serve on the Senior Citizen's Committee. We will be meeting the end of August to plan activities, classes and events that will be held at our new Mapleton City Center. If interested please contact Councilwoman Ann Tolley.

Mapleton Facilities to Rent

Mapleton Citizens can rent the below City Facilities:

- Memorial Hall (across from the old City Center on Maple Street).
- The multi-purpose area of the New Community Center
- Any of our City Parks.

Our citizens can use these facilities for family gatherings, weddings and such events. Come into, or call, the Mapleton City Offices at 489-5655 ext. 0 for a fee schedule and to make reservations.

Contact Numbers

Mayor:	489-5655	Library:	489-4833
City Council:	489-5655	Public Works:	806-9188
City Administration:	489-5655	Emergency:	911
Community Development:	489-6138	Dispatch Police,	
Building Inspection:	489-5655	Fire, Ambulance:	851-4100
Court:	489-7445	Non-emergency:	491-8048
Recreation:	489-5655	Newsletter:	489-6138

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**The Louise Jensen
Thompson Vernon
Ray Bird Home**
1183 South Main
Street
Mapleton, Utah

This house was built for the Vernon Ray Bird family about the year of 1900. It was constructed of red brick and consisted of a kitchen, parlor, and two bedrooms. The kitchen was located on the front of the house facing west, and off the kitchen was an enclosed porch with steps to the cellar. On this porch the butter was churned and the washing was done. The kitchen was warm and friendly. It had a good coal range which was equipped with a reservoir, and while it baked many loaves of fragrant bread for the family, it also heated water for washing clothes and the traditional bath in a tin tub. The well was conveniently located out front by the kitchen door.

There was a nice barn and sheds on the farm. Mr. Bird liked horses and kept many for work and pleasure. All of the children helped on the farm, and after work and school they enjoyed riding the horses. When winter came the horses would pull the sleigh, much to the delight of the children. The Bird family was large and it is interesting to note that all of them were born in this house. There were many happy times spent in this house by the Bird Family. The home is now owned by local resident and Real-Estate agent Grace Huffaker.

Information provided from the "Early Houses in Mapleton" book



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