

# August 2016 Newsletter

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## Mayor's Message

### Truth in Taxation

On August 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Mapleton City Council will be holding a Truth in Taxation hearing. Each year the County lowers the certified tax rate to keep the city from collecting more revenue than the previous year with the exception of growth. The purpose of the public hearing gives the City the opportunity to explain how the certified tax rate works and gives you the citizen an opportunity to express your concerns. If the Truth in Taxation item is approved Mapleton City would increase their property tax budget revenue by 6.10% above last years budgeted revenue excluding new growth. As an example the tax on a \$315,600 residence would increase from \$446.79 to \$473.70, which is \$26.91 per year or \$2.24 per month. Feel free to contact Cory Branch, City Administrator, by email at [cbranch@mapleton.org](mailto:cbranch@mapleton.org) or by phone at 801-806-9104 for further questions.

### Utility Road Fund – Effective July 1, 2016

Hopefully each of you had the opportunity to read both my June and July Mayor's Message outlining the Utility Road Fund program. If you did not, please go to the Mapleton City website at [www.mapleton.org](http://www.mapleton.org) where you can find the two articles under News and Events. As an update on Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> the City Council adopted the Utility Road Fund. The fund requires each property that is receiving utility services to pay a monthly fee of \$8 for residential utility users and \$12 for commercial/public utility users. The fee shall be billed and collected with and as part of the monthly consolidated utility bill. The City's finance officers shall place all such fees into the fund to be deposited and separately kept to be used only for road utility purposes. As we do with all of our funding each year during the annual budget process, the Council will receive a report detailing the income and expenditures of the fund and we will be able to monitor how the program is working.

Both myself and the Council are conscious of the importance of remaining fiscally responsible and pledge to make necessary changes to the program if necessary just as we did in 2015 when we lowered sewer rates by \$10 and reduced the cost of your culinary and pressurized irrigation water rates. Feel free to contact Cory Branch, City Administrator, by email at [cbranch@mapleton.org](mailto:cbranch@mapleton.org) or by phone at 801-806-9104 for further questions.

### July 24<sup>th</sup> Celebration

Mapleton sure is a wonderful place to live and raise a family. Wasn't it fun to have so many activities to choose from including our traditional patriotic program, 5k race, parade, city park activities, our annual helicopter ping pong ball drop and bike giveaway, and the sky divers? What an awesome firework show, the band Groove Merchants was great, and the parade and park activities were perfect.

I would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's 24th of July Celebration such a success. There are so many amazing individuals who step up each year to make this one of the premier celebrations in Utah. Many thanks to the Mapleton Stake's and their volunteers for their undertaking of the morning events (flag ceremony, 5k race, parade, activities, games, entertainment, etc.).

Also, a big thanks to our many sponsors and volunteers who helped make all of our evening events (helicopter ping pong ball drop, skydivers, band, fireworks, etc.) possible. I would also like to thank Mapleton City Council (Ryan Farnworth, Scott Hansen, Jim Lundberg, Mike Nelson, and Jonathan Reid), Mapleton City Police Department, Public Safety, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and the Mapleton City Youth Council.

## Public Safety

### A Night Out with Officer Krebs

The police department is excited to announce "A night out with Officer Krebs". Officer Krebs is a bicycle enthusiast and loves working with the children/youth of our community. On Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Officer Krebs will have a bicycle safety course set up in the parking lot of the Hobble Creek Elementary school. Officer Krebs will be educating people of all ages on bicycle safety and putting them through his own skills course. After the course Officer Krebs will take participants on a ride over the new Mapleton Parkway Trail. In addition to the skills course and trail ride, Mapleton officers will be on hand to register bikes and give out approximately 40 bike helmets. Mapleton officers will also hand out water and our favorite snack (donuts). Further information will be posted on the [www.mapleton.org](http://www.mapleton.org) website and the Mapleton PD Facebook page (Mapleton Utah Police Department). We hope residents will be able to come out and spend some time with our local police officers.

### Mapleton Parkway Trail

The new Mapleton Parkway Trail has been open for a few weeks and we have seen many of our residents out enjoying the trail and scenery. One problem that we continue to deal with is the numerous motorized vehicles that have been on the trail. We are receiving continual complaints from residents and people using the trail about motorcycles and vehicles on the trail. Our only recourse to these violations is to issue citations and impound unregistered vehicles. For the safety of everyone using the trail please keep all motorized vehicles off the trail. If you see a motorized vehicle on the trail you can report it to the Police Department by calling 801-491-8048.

## Public Works

### Water Usage

If you play close attention to your water use, you may notice changes in your usage. If you notice your water usage change drastically, but you haven't changed your usage, you may have a leak in your home or in your sprinkling system. Average culinary use inside a home is approximately 6,000 gallons per month. Outside usage varies based on the size of the lot and landscaping and may change from year to year based on the amount of precipitation we receive. It is your responsibility to make sure everything is working properly, but the city will do what they can to assist you. Contact the Public Works Department if you think you have an issue at 801-489-6253.

# Recreation

For more information, or to register for sports or programs available in our community, visit

[www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html](http://www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html)

Facebook - [www.facebook.com/mapletoncityparksandrecreation](https://www.facebook.com/mapletoncityparksandrecreation)

Instagram – mapletonparksandrecreation

Open Monday 9am-3pm & Tues-Thurs. 9am-5pm

125 West 400 North, Mapleton, UT 84664

Office (801) 806-9114

- LATE REGISTRATION for SOCCER & Flag Football starts July 26th so get REGISTERED today!
- Boys SOCCER Previews Thursday, August 4th. 5th-6th Grades at 6pm and 7th-9th Grades at 7pm
- FLAG FOOTBALL Previews will be Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. 3rd-4th Grades at 6pm and 5th-6th Grades at 7pm.

## Fall Classes

Check out our exciting FALL CLASSES, our Multicultural Dance Class and our pre-school Sprout with ART @ <http://parksandrec.mapleton.org/>

Upcoming Classes

- Coming in September will be registration for Girls Basketball and VOLLEYBALL.
- Hunter Safety Class! If you are interested, please contact our office.

## Baseball/Softball & Lacrosse Season

Thank you to all the commissioners, coaches, and parents your time and efforts are greatly appreciated. All of you helped make this season a fun and exciting time for our children. Congratulation to all our teams that went to the State Tournament.

## Moonlight Half Marathon

Mapleton is hosting its 9<sup>th</sup> annual Moonlight Half Marathon on August 12th. The race draws runners from all over the country. The thing that makes it unique is that you can start running whenever you want. The goal is to be the first to cross the finish line after midnight. The catch, however, is that you are not allowed to use any timing devices. If you are interested in running the race, please visit [www.moonlighthalf.com](http://www.moonlighthalf.com) or [www.raceentry.com](http://www.raceentry.com) to register. We are also looking for volunteers to help out at the finish line and other points along the course, so contact Parks & Recreation if you are interested.

# Library/Literacy Center

## Roald Dahl

Did you know Roald Dahl turns 100 in September? Come join us in a glorumptious birthday celebration on September 16th. All fhizz-whizzing party goers must read a Roald Dahl book and squibble a book report. Stop by the library to sign up and get your golden ticket. (Ages 8 and older, please.)

## Tutors Needed

The Mapleton Family Literacy Center will be starting up a new semester in just a few weeks. This is the perfect time to become a tutor. The schedule is flexible and only requires two hours per week of your time. Please call Kallie Jackson at 801-489-4833 or 801-368-4973 or email at [kjackson@mapleton.org](mailto:kjackson@mapleton.org).

## Literacy Center

Remember to come check us out in the basement of the library. We are continuously getting new and exciting books in. We have books for emergent readers as well as chapter books for older kids and teens. Parents and their children are always welcome to visit us.

# Contact Numbers

Mayor:	806-9106	Library:	489-4833
City Council:	806-9106	Public Works:	489-6253
City Administration:	806-9104	Emergency:	911
Community Development:	489-6138	Dispatch Police:	489-9421
Building Inspection:	489-6138	Fire & Ambulance:	489-9421
Court:	489-7445	Non-emergency:	489-9668
Recreation:	806-9114	Newsletter:	806-9109
Recreation Hotline:	367-5069	Senior Citizens:	806-9128
City Recorder	806-9106	Main Line/Utilities:	489-5655

## Senior Citizen Election Meeting

Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 9am in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Mapleton City Center. We need all of you! Mary Denna, Peggie Allan, and LuAnn Diamond will not be running. *They still want to be involved, but not in their present responsibilities.* Please, any and all of you who are interested in running or supporting someone in this election are welcome! This is a great opportunity to do community service that we have been asked to do.

Mary, our Chairman, has worked very hard to build the Senior Citizen organization in Mapleton. We need someone who is truly interested in building it further. It can be a very great service to the senior population of this city! We are sure that there are people out there with ideas, energy, and ability to give to this organization and make it the blessing to this community that it can be. We especially need someone who can make posters etc. for Publicity. Computer skills are necessary. Peggie has been using a drawing program, but other programs could work as well. Another part of this position is creating this newsletter once a month. Luann is the Treasurer, which involves counting money and keeping track of it. Her health problems are making it impossible for her to continue.

## Senior Clinic and Luncheon

There will be NO Blood Pressure/ Blood Sugar Clinic or Senior Luncheon until Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Gym

**Monday - Thursday** 8am to 11am  
and 3pm to 5:30pm.

**Friday** - 8:30am to 11am and 3pm to 5pm

All Mapleton residents age 50 and over are welcome at the Gym. If you have questions, please, call our Gym Manager, Peggy Burt 801-404-4687 or her assistant, Pam Elkington 801-471-7417. Besides a wonderful array of exercise equipment, our gym contains a ping pong table, 2 pool tables, and there is always a jigsaw puzzle going. Come and enjoy the fun and visit with your fellow seniors. Also, if there is anyone interested in teaching Senior Zumba please let the committee know.

## Senior Yoga

Yoga will be Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10am.

## Senior Art Painting Group

Senior Art on Monday's at 12:30pm is on summer break until September 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Chuck-a-Rama

Chuck-a-Rama tickets are still available at \$1.00 each. When you go there your ticket will be punched and when it is filled up you get a free meal.

# August 2016 City Calendar

Aug 3	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Aug 11	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Aug 12		Mapleton Moonlight Half Marathon
Aug 17	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Aug 25	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting

Regularly scheduled City Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North).