

January 2016 Newsletter

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Mayor's Message

MyMapleton Community Survey

In October we invited you the citizens of Mapleton to take the MyMapleton survey. The survey items were focused on, but not limited to, the overall quality of life in Mapleton, safety, water quality, roads and services, and parks and recreational activities. Some of the key findings from your answers that indicated the overall perspective included:

- Citizens like living in Mapleton as they feel the quality of life within the City is good and Mapleton is a great place to raise a family.
- Citizens appreciate the peaceful, rural, low-density feel of Mapleton, and this is one of the primary reasons they choose to live here.
- Citizens have favorable opinions of Public Safety (Police/Fire/EMS) and the Parks and Recreation Programs.
- Citizens have concerns with road quality and maintenance, direction of community growth and development, and city taxes and fees.

The results from the survey are currently posted on the City webpage. The City Council and I are committed to working hard to find solutions to the issues raised in the survey. I will keep you posted in upcoming newsletter's specifying changes we will make to address the concerns raised.

Mapleton Lateral Canal Trail

One of the findings that came from the MyMapleton survey is that citizens want hiking and biking trails. As most of you know, the City has received a federal grant to construct a pedestrian trail along the Mapleton Lateral Canal corridor that will connect with the Hobble Creek trail in Springville in the north and eventually with Spanish Fork in the south. A contract to construct the trail was recently awarded to COP Construction. COP plans on beginning construction in early spring of 2016, weather permitting. We are excited about having this wonderful recreational amenity for our citizens to enjoy!

Public Works

The City currently has 6 snow plow trucks. Plowing begins following an accumulation of 2" or greater snowfall on the main priority roads followed by local subdivision streets. Cul-de-sacs and dead end streets are the last priority; however, we strive to get to them as soon as possible. We aim to have the main roads cleared within 24 hours of the end of any storm, and the local subdivision streets, dead-end streets, and cul-de-sacs within 72 hours.

It is against the law to push snow into the road or otherwise deposit snow or ice onto a public right-of-way or onto sidewalks from your personal property. This can cause a potentially dangerous situation and you could be cited.

Roads cannot be cleared effectively with vehicles parked on the sides of the streets. It is against the law to park any vehicle on the city streets overnight from November through March and recently there have been several citations issued. If you have questions regarding the City policy on snowplowing, you can refer to the policy online at www.mapleton.org or by contacting the Public Works Department at 801-489-6253.

Christmas Tree Pickup

Republic Service pickup for Christmas Trees in Mapleton is going to take place January 22nd through January 27th, 2016. They request that all residence put their trees out on the curb by January 21st to ensure removal.

Public Safety

Winter Parking

A majority of traffic accidents that take place during the winter driving months can be attributed to speed. Even though you may be traveling under the posted speed limit, you may still be traveling too fast for the current driving conditions. Here in Mapleton we are presented with some additional driving challenges, such as frequent deer crossings, snow drifts, and ice. A good rule of thumb, especially for our younger drivers, is to travel at a slower speed to maintain better control of the vehicle. A good idea is to keep blankets and an emergency kit somewhere in the vehicle in case you do become stranded.

Emergency Preparedness

One of the great things about our community is how people come together in times of need. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is one of the ways that we can help our own families, as well as those around us be prepared for and how to react in the case of an emergency. Mapleton experienced a 2.9 magnitude earthquake during the early morning hours of November 2, 2015. Even though this earthquake did not require an emergency response, it serves as a warning that we are susceptible to this type of situation in our area. The CERT team is one of the valuable resources that Mapleton City will rely on if this were to happen. If you, or anyone that you know, would be interested in the CERT training, or be willing to serve as a leader on the Mapleton CERT team we would love to speak with you. The contact will be the Police Chief, John Jackson at 801-491-8048. Please call if you have an interest in CERT.

Facebook Page

The Mapleton Police Department has a Facebook page. Some things that take place with our police officers will be posted for the public to see. If you interested the page can be found at "Mapleton Utah Police Department".



Recreation

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

www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html,
or on Facebook at

www.facebook.com/mapletoncityparksandrecreation

Thank You

We want to give a heartfelt thank you to our Girls Basketball coaches and commissioners. The girls had a great season! Congratulations to the Girls Basketball Sportsmanship Champions!

VIP Adaptive Basketball – 2016

(For any special needs children, Kindergarten thru High School) Games will begin in January. The cost is \$15.00, which includes a jersey. For more information, or to register, visit our website above.

Girls Basketball 9th-12th Grade

In person registration is still going on until January 5th. Register online now so we can have a team!

Boys Basketball

Boys Basketball games will start the 2nd or 3rd week in January.

Winter Classes - 2016

Winter classes available beginning in January, which includes Musical Theatre. To register, or for more information about our amazing winter classes, visit the website listed above.

Winter Wonderland Ball

Date

Saturday, January 23, 2016 from 8pm-11pm

Theme

“Baby It’s Cold Outside”

Live Band

Mississippi Mud

Save the date for the Winter Wonderland Ball on January 23rd from 8pm-11pm at the Community Center. Anyone who is 14 years of age or older is invited to come and enjoy a night of dancing, fun and refreshments.

Ambulance

EMT's and Ambulance Drivers Needed

Mapleton EMS Department is in critical need of EMT's and Ambulance Drivers. If you have the desire to serve your family, friends, and neighbors by responding to and caring for their medical emergencies, then becoming an EMT is for you. We are currently in need of individuals who are available during daytime hours, but are hiring for all availability. Training is provided to become an EMT with a minimum commitment following completion of training. Monthly training on emergency medical care, uniforms provided, pager for response to emergencies, small stipend for time spent (on-call) as well as for time spent training. Please fill out an application found at the City Office Building or online at mapleton.org/employment-application. Feel free to contact Mapleton City EMS Director, Josh Diamond, with questions at 801-372-8468 or jdiamond@mapleton.org.

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	Utilities:	489-5655

Mapleton Youth Council 2016

This is the last call for the 2016 Mapleton Youth Council. Applications can be found at the Mapleton City Building, online at www.mapleton.org, Maple Mountain High School, and at the Mapleton Jr. High School offices. To be eligible you must be a Mapleton resident, and currently be in the 9th, 10th, or 11th grades. The application must be returned to the Mapleton City Building on or before January 7, 2016 by 5pm. Absolutely NO LATE applications will be considered. Plan on serving, learning, and having a lot of fun, and remember – it looks great on college applications!

Senior Citizens

Blood Pressure Clinic

Thursday, January 7th, at 10:30am.

Luncheon

Thursday, January 17th, 11:30am. *Menu:* Variety of Soups and Bread. *Presentation:* Identity Theft presented by Phil Bringham.

Gym Hours

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 801-491-4086.

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.

Senior Yoga

Yoga will be Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

Senior Art Painting Group

12:30pm to 3:30pm on Mondays. Mapleton City provides the easels. Please bring your own supplies. Do your own thing, but help will be available if you need it. Bring a friend!

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.



January 2016 City Calendar

Jan 1	City Offices Closed – New Year’s Day	
Jan 6	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Jan 14	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Jan 18	City Offices Closed – Martin Luther King Day	
Jan 20	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Jan 23	8pm-11pm	Winter Wonderland Ball
Jan 28	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting

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