

Bluffdale Times



February 2016

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

City Attorney



When I first became the Mayor the City didn't have an in-house attorney. The City, at the time, employed a contract attorney on an as-needed basis. I felt for what we were paying for the contract we could have a full time attorney who could protect the City in many ways and could advise the City Council at a moment's notice. I also felt the City Attorney would know more about the day-to-day operations and could advise the City on things more accurately and efficiently.

Our current City Attorney is Vaughn Pickell. He is a very valuable member of our staff. He is very knowledgeable in the field of law and from previous positions as City Manager and Community Development Director in the City. He was, and continues to be, very knowledgeable in many important aspects of our City.

I believe one responsibility of a city attorney is to be unbiased in counsel they give to a city. Mr. Pickell does a good job in being unbiased when he advises the City Council. He is careful about not directing them how to vote. He also has a responsibility to advise the City Council when a decision they have made could have significant legal consequences. This, in fact, just happened recently. The City Council made a decision that could have a potential serious negative effect, and Mr. Pickell, doing his duty, informed the City Council what effect it could have. Once informed, the City Council reconsidered the decision in a later meeting, seeking further information about the issues.

I appreciate all of our staff who works for the city. The City Staff makes my job as Mayor much easier and enjoyable. There are days when the public isn't very nice and sometimes are downright mean to our staff. Our staff are professionals and I value every one of them. I expect the next time you meet one of our City Staff you will find them professional and a value to you and I hope you will let them know.

Mayor Timothy

14350 S 2200 W

Hours:

Monday – Friday
8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Dates to Remember:

February

- 3 Planning Commission
- 10 City Council
- 13 Rabies Clinic
- 15 President's Day
City Offices Closed
- 17 Planning Commission
- 24 City Council

March

- 2 Planning Commission

Public Meetings

City Council

6:30 pm (NEW TIME)
2nd & 4th Wednesday

Planning Commission

7:00 pm
1st & 3rd Wednesday

Meet the Mayor

5:00 - 6:30 pm
3rd Wednesday

Important Numbers:

- Emergency911
- Police Dispatch 801-253-4899
- Animal Control 801-254-2200
After hours..... 801-419-4494
- Public Works..... 801-254-2200
After hours..... ext.7



The Bluffdale Arts Advisory Board Presents



March 17-19, 2016 @ 7:30
Matinee Saturday, March 19 @ 1:00

ELKRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL
3659 West 9800 South, South Jordan, UT

THE HOUSE OPENS 1/2 HOUR BEFORE THE SHOW.

Tickets are \$8 per person. Seniors or groups of 4 tickets or more are \$7.

Tickets can be purchased online at bluffdalearts.org or at the door.

Brigadoon is presented through special arrangement with Tams Witmark.
This project is made possible by ZAP - Zoo Arts and Parks funding, Rocky Mountain Power
and Bluffdale City.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A great way to gain a sense of community and meet new friends from all over Bluffdale is to volunteer! Help is needed with events like Old West Days and the Halloween Spook Alley. Help with the city's emergency plan is also needed. To help with the events, contact Connie Pavlakis, Events Coordinator at conniepavlakis@gmail.com or 801-891-1545. To help with the emergency plan, contact Natalie Hall, Emergency Coordinator at nhall@bluffdale.com or 801-633-6833.

Volunteering is worthwhile and you will meet some of the best people in the city who give many hours of service to help make our community great.



ARMED FORCES MEMORIAL

Have you visited the new Bluffdale City Veteran's Memorial in the City Park? In remembrance of the Veterans who have lived in Bluffdale, past and present, the city is providing an opportunity for families to sponsor a granite bench and have the sponsor's name placed on the bench.

To off-set the costs on the memorial, the City is looking for individuals to sponsor the benches. There will be a name on each side of the bench. For \$1000 you will be on both sides. For \$700 your name will be on one side.

Email Allison at awilcox@bluffdale.com or call 801-254-2200 to sponsor a bench.



SAVE THE DATES FOR EMERGENCY PLANNING

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 6:30 PM: City Emergency Plan Section Leaders Meeting
Saturday, March 12, 2016 9-12: City Wide CERT drill
Tuesday, April 5, 2016 6:30 PM: City Emergency Plan Section Leaders Meeting
Thursday, April 21, 2016 Utah Shakeout
Saturday, April 23, 2016 Bluffdale City Wide Shakeout Drill and Party

If you would like to be involved in our Neighborhood Emergency Plan please email nhall@bluffdale.com

HAM RADIO

 If you are HAM licensed or want to become HAM licensed or even have scouts that want to know more about amateur radio, please come and meet with us the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month in the City Council Room or visit <http://bluffdaleham.yolasite.com/>

CERT TRAINING

CERT training has started, but if you are CERT trained and would like to stop in for a refresher—please join us! Feb 4, 11, 25 and March 3, 10 with the drill on Saturday, March 12th. We meet in the City Council Room.

Natalie Hall

Emergency Manager
City of Bluffdale
14350 South 2200 West
Bluffdale, Utah 84065
801-633-6833

THE GREAT SHAKEOUT

It's time to start preparing for the Great Shakeout! We will be holding a citywide drill on Saturday, April 23rd (in the morning) and then meet at the park for our Shake Out Party directly after our drill. Watch for more details to come!



Dog Licensing & Rabies Clinic

All dogs in Bluffdale need to be registered. Registration will be done at the Public Works Building at **14175 S Redwood Rd.**

Animal Control will hold it's annual rabies clinic on **Saturday, February 13, 2016** at the Fire Station. Rabies shots and registration can be completed at that time with no late fees.

Registration fees are as follows:

Unaltered Dogs	\$15.00
Altered Dog	\$10.00
Seniors (60+)	\$1.00
Late Fee	\$15.00 per dog



Proof of spay/neutering and valid rabies vaccination are required for registration.



MISS BLUFFDALE

2016

Save the Date!
Saturday, March 26th 7:00 pm
Sandra Lloyd Community Center
12830 Redwood Road

2016 Contestants

Katie Allen
Kayley Ballard
Micah Hansen
Kelsie Krahenbuhl
Allyssa Merkley
Lindsey Pike
Kaitlyn Wallace



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

After years of anticipation and collaboration, an exciting new development is moving forward in the Gateway Redwood Redevelopment Area. On December 9, 2015, the City Council approved a master development plan for The Ranch. Owned and developed by the Woodbury Corporation, The Ranch will be anchored by a Smith's Marketplace.



The master plan provides for multiple locations for additional retail, office buildings, road infrastructure, new signage concepts, and a design theme for the project. It will also provide a traffic light at 13970 S. Smith's desire to be located at this key intersection in Bluffdale will serve as a catalyst for additional retail and eating options for years to come. If you have any further questions, please contact Grant Crowell, Economic Development Director, at 801.858.0489 or gcrowell@bluffdale.com



SUMMIT ACADEMY

CHARTER SCHOOLS

New K-6 charter school to open in Bluffdale for 2016-2017 school year

Summit Academy is excited to build a new school in Bluffdale scheduled to open in August for the 2016-2017 school year. The new school will be located just off of 14400 South and Redwood Road and serve students in grades K-6 (soon K-8). Summit Academy is a tuition-free, public charter school. For more information, contact 801-523-3905 or visit www.summitacademyschools.org.