

Mayor's Message

"The Infinite gives to no man happiness; but only the raw material from which it can be made. He provides iron ore but never plowshares, clay but not bricks, wheat but not loaves. The material from which one man forms only an abode of misery, another transforms into a temple of joy."—William George Jordan, The Crown of Individuality, 1909.

The new year is upon us. Hurray, we made it! I hope you are excited about the opportunities that await us in 2021. The ingredients for happiness will be there. Looking ahead we have a number of things to look forward to in Highland. Here is a list of some of them:

- The connector road between Alpine Hwy and N. County Blvd (Canal Blvd) will be completed in the spring.
- The road to Costco (6800 W south of 9600 N) will be widened and improved.
- Beacon Hill Blvd, Timberline Dr, and Wildflower Lane, among a number of streets, will get a maintenance treatment.
- Staff will finalize a multi-year plan to repair our trail system and we will complete year one of the plan. Note, last year we performed maintenance work on over 60% of our current trails.
- Once spring hits and our parks begin to be used, you'll discover the bathrooms in our parks were upgraded and that Beacon Hills park now has a restroom.

One last note, if you haven't watched the video Jon Hart helped the Council make last year as COVID-19 hit, it is a few minutes well spent. This hopeful message is as applicable today as it was then (<https://bit.ly/2020ayearofhope>). My best wishes to everyone as we embark on our journey into 2021.

Needs Assessment for Potential New Highland City Community Center

The City is conducting a feasibility study to investigate the idea of bringing additional community space to our City. This could include space for: the arts, community gatherings, business meetings, library activities, performances, events, etc. To understand what the city's needs are, we would like your input about what types of spaces you would find most valuable in our community. Let us know your thoughts by filling out a survey at <http://bit.ly/HC-feasibility-survey>. If you are unable to take the survey online, please give our staff a call at 801-756-5751 or stop by City Hall or the Library and we'd be happy to help you fill one out. The deadline for survey submissions is Sunday, January 17.

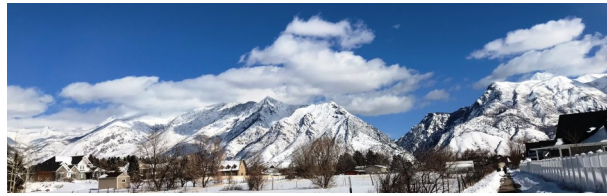
Council Brief

In each month's newsletter we give a brief overview of some stand-out items from Council meetings. For full agendas, minutes, & audio, visit <http://bit.ly/HC-agendas>.

December 1

City Council approved a Conditional Use Permit and the Site Plan for a Lube Shop addition for the Burt Brothers store. The Lube Center will be located directly east of the existing tire shop. The owners will now work with staff on their design and engineering plans and hope to begin construction as soon as possible.

Council amended City Code related to expressive activities such as protests or marches. Groups wanting to hold an expressive activity need to obtain a permit from the City to ensure their activity abides by City Code.



HIGHLAND CITY

CALENDAR

December 26—January 10:
Live Christmas Tree Drop-off at empty lot east of Police Station. Only live, un-flocked and un-decorated trees.

January 4: Pavilion Rentals for 2021 are available at www.highlandcity.org/418.

January 5: City Council Meeting* 7:00PM, City Hall

January 13: Meet the Mayor, 7:00PM, information at <https://www.facebook.com/mannforhighland/>.

January 15: Snowman Creation entries due. See page 3.

January 19: City Council Meeting*, 7:00PM, City Hall

January 26: Planning Commission*, 7:00PM, City Hall

*Agendas, Minutes, and Audio at <http://bit.ly/HC-agendas>

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The City Offices will be closed Monday, January 18 in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

PHONE NUMBERS

City Offices: 801-756-5751

Library: 801-772-4528

Justice Court: 801-772-4525

Police Department/Animal Control: 801-756-9800

Fire Department: 801-763-5365

After-Hours Public Works
Emergencies: 801-420-2553

Waste Management (pick-up and can repairs): 888-496-8824

ONLINE

Report a concern, pay your bill, reserve a pavilion, etc. on-line at: www.highlandcity.org

Check us out on Facebook and Twitter @HighlandCity

Snow Removal Reminders

The safety of Highland City residents during and after a snow event is a top priority for the City. Our Public Works department utilizes all available assets as needed to clear the roads depending on the storm event, snowfall received, and duration of the storm. Salt and sand are used only at intersections and other problematic locations to provide traction. Check out <http://bit.ly/HC-snow> for more information on snow removal including plowing priority, street parking, clearing driveways, sidewalk clearing, contact information, and more.

Christmas Tree Drop-off

All Highland residents are invited to bring their live, unflocked, and un-decorated Christmas trees to the empty lot to the east of the Police Station and south of the Arbor Day Tree Sale location until January 10 to be hauled away by Waste Management. No other items may be disposed of and trees can only be brought during the timeframe outlined. Please cut up especially large trees that will not be able to be easily loaded into a dumpster. For questions, please call us at 801-772-4523.

Email and Text Alerts

Want to know what's on the City Council agenda? Want to hear what's going on in the Library? Want to know what's happening around the City? Want to find out about City events? Sign up at Alerts.UtahCounty.gov. You can choose to get notified how you want for just the things you care about. You can also sign up to receive alerts from other Utah County government organizations.

Help in Hard Times

Even though 2020 is over, the struggles that came with the year may linger for many. If you or someone you know is struggling with unemployment, paying utility bills, food insecurity, mental health issues, domestic violence, or similar problems, you are not alone. There is help available in our community.

The United Way of Utah provides local help through their website, over the phone, on their app or via text or email. Dial 211 or visit <https://211utah.org/> to get connected to resources including education, job training, health care, and more. While the past year has felt isolating to many, there is a supportive community here for you and your family.

Help is also available through Tabitha's Way, a local organization that provides temporary food assistance and resources for building self-reliance. For assistance or to donate, please visit tabithasway.org.

Pavilion and Facility Rentals

The park pavilion rental calendar opens on the first day of business of the new year (January 4, 2021) at 8 am. Please see the Facility Rental page on the city website for details www.highlandcity.org/418.

Wreaths Across America Event

On December 19, a Wreaths Across America Ceremony was held at the Highland City Cemetery. Students and staff from American Heritage school, members of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and other community members placed a wreath at the grave of each Veteran and spoke each Veteran's name, thanking them for their service. City Recorder, Stephannie Cottle shared the following remarks that day.

"Earlier today, our son, Benjamin, who is currently serving in the Marine Corp, was able to place a wreath for his grandfather, say his name, and thank him for his service. Benjamin was away at Basic Training when his grandfather passed away and was unable to attend his funeral. You can imagine this was a tender moment for us today.

"As you look out over this beautiful cemetery and see these wreaths placed on Veteran's graves, know that every wreath represents a husband, father, son, brother, wife, mother, daughter, or sister who is loved and missed. Each wreath represents an individual who felt the cause of freedom was greater than the sacrifices they might be called upon to make.

"In the hymn, America the Beautiful, there is a line that says, "O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife Who more than self, their country loved, And mercy more than life." This line defines our country's Veterans as well as those who are currently serving. For this reason, it is significant that we come here today during this busy time of year to pause and remember our country's Veterans and honor those who serve.

"On behalf of all the families who have Veterans here at the Highland Cemetery, I would like to thank the Wreaths Across America organization, those who have organized this ceremony today, including Kelly Schaeffer-Bullock, and a very special thank you to the students and staff at American Heritage School who provided the wreaths and then honored our Veterans by saying their names and thanking them for their service. Truly this has been a day to remember, honor, and teach."

YOUTH SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

OPEN TO HIGHLAND CITY RESIDENTS WITH NO ADDITIONAL FEES

VISIT [CEDARHILLS.ORG/RECREATION](https://cedarhills.org/recreation) TO FIND OUT MORE!



The Highland City Arts Council is looking forward to a new year! We are also looking to add some new faces to our board. If you are interested in serving on the Arts Council, call Shauna at 801-891-7183.

Rotating Art Displays Have you seen the artwork hanging in City Hall? The Art Council rotates these pieces seasonally. They are the work of local artists and often feature local and historical Highland scenes. If you would like to have your work displayed, please contact Shauna at 801-891-7183.

Timpanogos Ringers While we missed doing a live concert in front of people, the Timpanogos Ringers was pleased that we got to perform this season. Thanks to all who tuned into our live Facebook concert!

We have limited openings for new ringers, but if you are interested, and you have a musical background and can read music, please email paige@ericksonfamily.com for more information. We rehearse Tuesday nights at the Arts Center, and we plan to have a concert in May.

We are looking for sponsors! Since our performances were cut short and we have to purchase more music and equipment to be able to social distance, our costs are up and our income is down. We could use a little help from the community. If you or your business would be willing to sponsor us in any way, please reach out to us, or to the Highland Arts Council. We would happily accept any donations. Thank you so much for your support!

Friends of the Library

Cicero, the famous Roman statesman once said, "if you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need." And while our gardens may be sleeping for the winter, our Highland City Library is open, providing our community with so many things we need: from books to e-books, videos, special events, educational programs, and many other activities, all in a warm and inviting place.

If you haven't visited the library for a while, come on in, get a library card and see what you've been missing! If you need further convincing, please read the library impact stories found on the Friends/Library board page of the Highland City Library website.

The Friends would also like to remind you that we accept donations of used books to help raise funds to support programs and other activities at the library. This month, look for our new book donation drop box in the Highland City Hall lobby, next to the library.

Youth Council Corner

The Highland Youth City Council is looking forward to a new year with hope and excitement! While many of our usual plans for January will be altered, we anticipate great things to come! Under the leadership of our mayor, Ryan (Cougar) Bartholomew and deputy mayor, Marielle Sutton, we look forward to learning and serving the community while we make new friends and reach out to other teens.

We know last year was hard for many reasons, and those reasons didn't just go away at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Day. We encourage you to reach out to others for support and encouragement. If you need to talk to someone, the SafeUT app is a great free resource for students AND parents. There is always someone available to talk or text. Look for it in your app store or visit safeut.med.utah.edu.



Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee would like to thank all those who volunteered during 2020. We all look forward to 2021. Please consider volunteering in our community. Start planning your spring planting and gardens now and take part in our Yard of the Month recognition! If you are interested in volunteering on the Beautification Committee, please contact Cary at wisecaryj@gmail.com

Highland City Presents

SO, YOU WANT TO BUILD A SNOWMAN?

SNOW CREATION CONTEST

JANUARY 1-15, 2021

SNOWMAN MUST INCLUDE:

1. An article of clothing
2. A fruit or vegetable
3. A sign that says "Highland City."

Make your own or print one at www.highlandcity.org/165/Events

PRIZE CATEGORIES:

- Most colorful
- Biggest snowman
- Best use of fruit or vegetable
- Most Creative
- Mayor's Choice Grand Prize

Send a photo of your creation to
events@highlandcity.org by January 15

HIGHLAND LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS

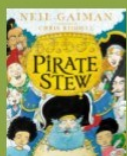
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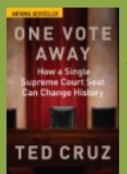
WHAT'S NEW



Ready Player Two
by Ernest Cline
The sequel to the bestseller Ready Player One, the near-future adventure that inspired a blockbuster.



Pirate Stew
by Neil Gaiman
Meet Long John McRon, ship's cook and unusual babysitter.



One Vote Away
by Ted Cruz
You will discover how often high court decisions affect your life by just one vote.

RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

Are you looking for your next read?

NoveList has been helping readers find their next favorite. It is about connecting readers, books, and libraries. Looking for Mystery Graphic Novels, Must-Read Non-fiction, or Books to Movies? This resource will help connect your new favorite to our catalog where you can reserve it.



NoveList

WELCOME

Hours

Monday-Thursday 10AM-8PM

Friday 10AM-4PM

Saturday 12PM-4PM

Closed Sunday

Visit our website at www.highlandcitylibrary.org

Closed January 18-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



FEATURED BOOKS

Motivational Books

The Power of Moments

by Chip & Dan Heath
Create stand-out moments that can change the course of a business or a life.



Girl, Wash Your Face
by Rachel Hollis
This memoir/motivational book shares the secrets of the author's success.

Factfulness

by Hans Rosling
See the world in a new way by learning facts about why things aren't so bad.



HIGHLAND CITY LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Winter Reading Challenge

Ages 0-18 and no registration is required. Pick up reading chart at the library. Details on our website. Get ready for some great prizes. Reading challenge goes until end of February.

Meet the Author

January 11 @ 4PM. Meet Sheila Nielson a local author. She has written 3 books for teens and her newest book is *Lifelike*. Register on our website for this online event.

Regular programs in January, but they may still be virtual. Check the library website for up-to-date details.

Baby Bookworms for ages 0-2

Story Time for ages 3-5

Packet will have link for regular story time. Our Highland City Library YouTube channel will have an additional video of letter of the week, puppets, and music.

Jr. Explorers' Club

Thurs @ 4PM for ages 6-8.

In Be TWEEN

Tues @ 4PM for ages 9-12

Best of 2020 Books

Most popular books at our library.

www.highlandcitylibrary.org





2021 Recycling Calendar



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Recycle (Clean & Dry):



Aluminum & Steel Cans



Paper



Plastic Bottles, Jugs & Jars



Cardboard & Boxboard

Do NOT Recycle:*

- Plastic bags, wrap or film (return bags to store)
- Glass
- Food, liquids
- Yard waste, wood
- Shredded paper
- Electronics
- Clothes, bedding, carpet
- Medical/hazardous waste
- Foam cups, take-out containers, packing material

* Items are not limited to those above.

Service Day Guidelines

- On your service day, place your recycling and trash carts at the curb by 7 a.m. with wheels facing the curb.
- Please ensure recyclables fit in your recycling cart with the lid closed.
- Do not bag your recyclables.

Service Holidays

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| • New Year's Day | Friday, Jan. 1 |
| • Memorial Day | Monday, May 31 |
| • Independence Day | Sunday, July 4 |
| • Labor Day | Monday, Sept. 6 |
| • Thanksgiving Day | Thursday, Nov. 25 |
| • Christmas Day | Saturday, Dec. 25 |

QUESTIONS? Call (888) 496-8824.

Holidays noted with a square may affect your collection service. If your service day falls on or after a holiday, your service will be delayed by one (1) day. Regular service resumes the following week.