

Mayor's Message

The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything."—author unknown

As of the middle of March, our area is considered to be in an extreme drought condition (see droughtmonitor.unl.edu). In order to make the best of things, we need to be frugal this year when it comes to watering our lawns. If you haven't purchased a smart controller for your sprinkler system, now would be a good time. There are still rebates available at utahwatersavers.com.



I've started to review the comments from this year's annual city survey and would like to address a couple of the issues raised:

- **Roads:** We are starting the fourth year of our seven-year road plan. One of the most complained about roads 6800 W from 9600 N south to 1120 N in American Fork (the road to Costco) is scheduled for an overhaul this year.
- **Trails:** Last year we treated over 50% of our 17 miles of city trails. This year we will start on the five year trail rehabilitation plan which the council recently approved.

As always, feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns at mayor@highlandcity.org. Thanks for all you do to make Highland and the world a better place.

2021 Highland City Elections

Consider serving your community by running for office! Highland City will have two City Council seats and the Mayor seat open this election. Each seat is a 4-year term that will begin January 1, 2022.

The candidate filing period is June 1 – 4 and June 7. Those wishing to run for office must file a Declaration of Candidacy in person with the City Recorder at 5400 West Civic Center Drive between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. Candidates must also pay a \$35 filing fee. Candidates must be a registered voter, and have been a resident of Highland for at least 12 consecutive months immediately before the election. Watch for additional information in upcoming newsletters.

Using City Trails

As the weather improves and people are outside enjoying our wonderful trail system, keep in mind how you impact others around you. Use of motorized vehicles on city trails is prohibited.

Four legged friends (including dogs and horses) are more than welcome on City trails. However, please be courteous to other trail users and remember that all pets must be on a leash and owners are responsible to clean up after their pet.

Dog Licensing

Did you know that in Utah County, every dog over four months old is required to be licensed? Licensing increases the odds of finding your dog if they are ever lost. It also ensures dogs are properly vaccinated. You can purchase a 3 year license for your dog at Lone Peak Police Department for \$35 if your dog is spayed/neutered or \$95 if he or she is not. One and two year licenses are also available. Call 801-756-9800 for more details.



CALENDAR

April 14: Meet the Mayor, 7:00PM, information at www.facebook.com/mannforhighland/.

April 20: City Council Meeting*, 7:00PM, City Hall

April 27: Planning Commission*, 7:00PM, City Hall

May 1: Tree Planting at Town Center Meadows Park, 8:00 AM

May 1: Tree Sale 8:00 AM- 2:00 PM, residents only

May 8: Tree Sale 8:00 AM- 12:00 PM, open to all

May 14 & 15: Spring Clean-up 8:00 AM-8:00 PM, parking lot at mouth of American Fork Canyon

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

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 & can repairs): 888-496-8824

ONLINE

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

Sign up for email, text, and phone alerts from Highland City based on your interests at alerts.utahcounty.gov.



Check us out on Facebook and Twitter @HighlandCity



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>.

March 2

Mayor Mann recognized a local Highland teenager, Ryan Bazzelle, who has earned money to purchase and give flowers to the girls in his school for Valentine's Day since 2017. The Mayor thanked Ryan for his kind acts over the years and presented him with a certificate and "Highland Hero" pin.

Unfortunately, the City has seen a dramatic rise in the amount of vandalism taking place at Highland Glen Park over the past year. In an effort to curb this, the City Council voted to amend the park hours for Highland Glen Park to be dawn till dusk. City staff is in the process of installing gates near the entrance to the Park on Knight Avenue that will be locked during the park's closed hours. All other City parks will remain open from 5:00AM – 11:00 PM.

For the past year, the Council and staff have worked on addressing issues related to Open Space property management. The Council discussed the criteria, process, and pricing for the selling of Open Space property. Staff will take the feedback given from Council and incorporate it into a final draft for Council approval in an upcoming meeting.

March 16

City Council approved the Final Plat for the Beacon Hill subdivision Plat E Phases 1 and 2. The phases include a total of 35 single-family lots located at approximately 12150 North Beacon Hill Blvd. Staff will now work with Perry Homes on design and engineering before construction begins.

In 2020, the State Legislature passed a bill that requires elections to be primarily vote by mail. The Council discussed the upcoming 2021 Municipal Election and whether the Council should select the option of contracting with the County to run the election or manage it with in-house staff. A final decision on that will be made at the March 30 meeting. This election the Mayor's seat and two Council seats will be open. More information on this can be found on page 1.

Why I Like My Community Essay

Contest hosted by the Utah League of Cities and Towns invites students in 4th and 7th grades throughout the state to describe the unique and wonderful assets of their hometown. The top three winning essays in each grade are awarded with cash prizes. The deadline is April 23 and details are available at www.ulct.org.

Highland Historical Society

Did you know there is a Highland Historical Society? The president, Charles T. Greenland II, grew up here and has spent many years compiling the history of Highland. This history has now been added to www.HighlandCity.org (see [Historical Society](#) under the Programs and Activities section of the menu). We hope you will enjoy learning about the history of our community!

Special thanks to Erin Wells, Seth Barrus, Alice Childs, Donna Kitchen, and Claudia Sudweeks for their help with the Historical Society section of the Highland City webpage. Also we are grateful for the service of the Highland Historical Society members: Charlie Greenland, Donna Kitchen, Wayne Tanaka, Ray Buhler, Mark Thompson, Brenda Thurgood, Eric Adamson, Claudia Sudweeks, and Councilmember Scott Smith. And most importantly, thank you to Charlie Greenland for his devotion to "nurturing an understanding and appreciation for the history of Highland". His many hours of research and compilation truly fulfills the Highland [Historical Society's mission](#) to "connect residents to the past, present, and future".

If you have additional information to share, or find errors that need to be addressed, please email Claudia Sudweeks (cesudweeks@yahoo.com).

There are 302 pages in the Historical Society section you can find at <http://bit.ly/HC-history>. Of those 302 pages,

9 are [history chapter pages](#) of:

- The 1st Highland LDS Ward
- Water
- Mining
- The Highland School
- Electricity Comes to Highland
- Peas and Peaviners in Highland
- Famous Feature
- The People

279 are [Highland Family History pages](#) (organized by surname). 420 families/individuals can be found in these pages.) *These include many images which Charlie has collected.*

The [other pages](#) include: a 1958 Highland Aerial Map, 1958 Highland Homes and Families (table with addresses), Homesteaders' Map, and Highland Censuses page with 8 additional pages of censuses and early Latter-day Saint membership lists.

YOUTH SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

OPEN TO HIGHLAND CITY RESIDENTS WITH NO ADDITIONAL FEES

VISIT CEDARHILLS.ORG/RECREATION TO FIND OUT MORE!



We are excited to announce upcoming Arts Council classes and workshops! To register or for more information, please call Shauna at 801-891-7183 email shaunaholt@live.com.

Oil Painting Summer Workshops

Taught by Regan Reichert. Saturdays, 10 am- 3 pm. \$75 per workshop, which includes lunch. May 8: Sunset Painting, June 12: Still Life, July 10: Portrait Painting, August 14: Pleine Air. Regan will also be teaching a weekly drawing class on Wednesdays, 7-9 pm.

Basic Watercolor Class for Adults

Taught by Shauna Holt Larson. We explore the methods for doing backgrounds and basic techniques for achieving texture and value in your watercolors. Fee: \$15 a week.

Highland Choral Arts

Highland Choral Arts is preparing for their Spring 2021 Concert to be held in May or June. This is a fantastic choir, based here in Highland, under the talented direction of Cathy Jolley. Members of the choir come from areas all over the state. More information of the upcoming concert will be posted here in the coming months. Plan on attending the concert, you will love it!

Upcoming Programs

- Summer Youth Theatre Workshop
- Carl Purcell Master Art Workshop
- Children's Choir
- After School Art Club (Coming this Fall)
- Friends of Art- bring a project, join us for lunch and visiting. Dates TBA
- Highland Quilting and Fiber Arts

Timpanogos Ringers with rehearsals Wednesdays from 7-9 pm. No previous bell ringing experience needed. Handbells offer a unique opportunity to learn music and teamwork together. Masks will be required, and we will have gloves for you to wear and space individual ringers out. There is an \$85 fee to cover music and materials, which is due to the second rehearsal. Contact Paige Erickson at 801-830-0927 or super. paige.erick@gmail.com for questions.

Board Members

The Arts Council is looking for new board members. If you are interested in helping with our Arts Council events and upcoming programs, please contact Shauna at 801-891-7183 or email shaunaholt@live.com You must be willing to be involved in events throughout the year.

Youth Council Corner

We were excited to help put together 250 at-home egg hunt kits for the Easter Egg-stravaganza. Working together as a Council, we were able to get the job done quickly. We are looking forward to Fling activities in early August and hope you plan to join us!



Friends of the Library

Read any good stories lately? The Friends of the Highland City Library invite you to visit the Friends of the Library page at www.HighlandCityLibrary.org and read the "impact stories" you will find there. These stories will introduce you to individuals and families within Highland, Alpine, and Cedar Hills who have benefitted and been impacted in a positive way by the Highland City Library.

Among these stories, you'll find two friends who make the library's story time a regular part of their weekly together time with each other and with their children. You'll get to know the library families of the year for Highland, Alpine and Cedar Hills. In addition, you'll read inspirational accounts of how the Library and its staff have aided families with children with disabilities and helped individuals with their businesses and in their personal lives. We hope that reading these stories will bring a fresh appreciation for the Highland City Library, its staff, and the devoted patrons who make the Library such a valuable part of our community.

Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee is made up of volunteers who want to make Highland City beautiful. They are involved with the community garden, yard of the month recognition, and adopt-a-patch recognition, as well as flowers at the cemetery and community center. We would like to thank all those who volunteer each year. Please consider volunteering in our community. If you are interested in serving on the Beautification Committee, email Cary wisecaryj@gmail.com. Also be on the lookout for your nominations for the yard of the month.

Highland Fling

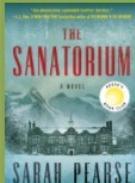
Join us for the Highland Fling August 2-7, 2021. Registration is now open for vendors. The calendar of events will be updated as events are added and plans finalized. Watch for favorites like disc golf, drive-in movie, kids' day, parade, 5K & fun run, vendor fair, fireworks and more! Visit HighlandCityFling.com. If your business would like to be a sponsor, please email us at events@highlandcity.org.

HIGHLAND LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS

APRIL 2021



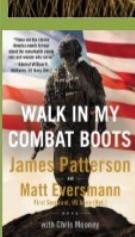
WHAT'S NEW



The Sanatorium
by Sarah Pearse.
An eerie, atmospheric
thriller about an aban-
doned sanatorium
turned five-star hotel.



Four Winds
by Kristin Hannah.
An epic novel of love
and heroism set
during the Great
Depression.



Walk in My Combat Boots
by James Patterson.
Wartime accounts of
courageous battlefield
sacrifices.

FEATURED BOOKS

Books About Libraries

The Paris Library by
Janet Skeslien Charles.
Odile Souchet works to
keep the American
Library in Paris open
during WWII.



The Giver Of Stars
by Jojo Moyes.
Trapped in an unhappy
marriage, Alice
finds meaning by
joining the Packhorse
Library Initiative.

The Library Book
by Susan Orlean.
A look at the
investigation of a
catastrophic fire at
the Los Angeles
Central Library.



WELCOME



Hours

Monday-Thursday 10AM-8PM

Friday 10AM-4PM

Saturday 12PM-4PM

Closed Sunday

Visit our website at www.highlandcitylibrary.org

RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

Have you ever wondered what landscape style would look best for your house? Do you want to do a raised garden bed? **Home Improvement Reference Center** is a great resource on our website to help with so many projects. A-Z topics are listed for your convenience. Available with your Highland City Library card.



HIGHLAND CITY LIBRARY PROGRAMS

National Library Week

Coloring contest for ALL
ages. Pick up pages from
library and due April 15th.
Awesome prizes for the
winner of each age group.

Registration required for EACH
individual that attends. Limited seating.
Highland Library cardholders only.*

Poetry Month

We will have a Poetry
Competition for ADULTS.
Amazon gift cards for 1st,
2nd and 3rd place winners.
TEENS will have poetry
zines at the library.

***Baby Bookworms for ages 0-2**
Fridays @ 10:15 AM

Story Time for ages 3-5
Tues and Thurs @ 11AM.

Jr. Explorers' Club (hybrid)
Thurs @ 4PM & 5PM (zoom) ages 6-8

Parent/Child Book Club
Mysterious Benedict Society by
Trenton Lee Stewart. April 21 @ 6:30
PM for ages 9-12. Discussion & craft.

In Be Tween & Teen Scene (NEW)
Take home crafts while supplies last.
No registration required.

Celebrate Earth Day in our programs
the week of April 19th.

www.highlandcitylibrary.org



Spring Insert

WATER CONSERVATION, make it your *lifestyle!*



Did you know that based on a [report from the Utah Geological Survey](#), Utah ranked highest in the most water used per capita from a public supply? Our usage surpassed our arid neighbors, Nevada, Wyoming, and Idaho. In an effort to proactively support water conservation, Highland City has recently changed the Development Code related to landscaping of park strips between the curb and sidewalk. This change allows for non-living materials such as rock, and wood chips to be used. For more information, check out the entire code online at <http://bit.ly/HC-Landscape>.

Staff will begin filling the pressurized irrigation lines beginning on April 5. Please make certain your valves are turned off until the system is fully charged and ready for use on April 15. The watering schedule for 2021 remains unchanged and can be found on the City's website at <http://bit.ly/HC-Watering>. Please note that just because water will be available April 15 does not mean you have to start using it if the current climate doesn't call for it.

City Clean-up Coming in May

The annual Highland City Spring Clean-Up will take place May 14 & 15 from 8 am-5 pm at the parking lot at the mouth of the American Fork Canyon. Proof of residency is required. Dumpsters will be available for disposal of metal, wood, and household waste. No green waste or hazardous waste will be accepted. Green waste should be taken directly to North Point Transfer Station. More info at www.utahcountygarbage.org.

Help Keep Our Gutters Clean

If you walk outside your home and glance at the curb and gutter, what do you see? Do you see a lot of leaves, mud, and other debris? Will you join in a community effort to clean the gutters adjacent to your property? Every fall and winter the gutters fill with leaves, mud, and debris that the street sweeper is unable to remove. This means that with April showers, some of this material eventually finds its way into the storm drain system and potentially even our ground water. Please help to keep the streets, gutters, and water resources clean.

Arbor Day Tree Planting & Sale

Please celebrate Arbor Day with us at our annual Tree Planting on May 1 at 8:00 am until finished (usually between 11 am & 12 pm). This year, the tree planting will be held at Town Center Meadows Park (5400 W 10700 N) . Volunteers are asked to bring garden tools, water, and work gloves. If you have a group planning to attend please email us to let us know at: events@highlandcity.org.

Our annual Tree Sale will be held on May 1, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm and May 8, 8:00 am- 12:00 pm. The tree lot is on the corner of 10700 North and 5400 West (Town Center East) by the Police Station and City Hall. May 1 is for Highland residents only. Please bring proof of residency with you (ID, Utility Bill, etc). May 8, the sale is open to anyone, while supplies last.

We accept all forms of payments. All trees are sold AS IS, with a maximum of 8 trees per household. We cannot hold trees or take special orders. A list of trees for sale and their prices will be provided online at least one week before the Tree Sale. Prices and tree types subject to change without notice.

*We all want clean water to drink.
It's vital to our health.*

Since all of the drinking water provided to Highland City residents comes from groundwater, it is essential that we protect it. Groundwater can become contaminated in a variety of ways from the improper disposal of paint, fuel, swimming pool chemicals, and automotive supplies to the over use of fertilizers, insecticides and pesticides.

Remember to use products only as directed and *NEVER* put anything down the sewer, storm drain, or on the ground that would be considered to be toxic.

For more information on how you can help protect our drinking water, go to our website at bit.ly/HC-culinary-water