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City Council

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Post Office

Main Branch/New Service

Santa Clara: 628-2112

Satellite Post Office

Ivins: 628-1381

Website: www.ivins.com

Utility Payment Drop Box

Ivins City Office
(north side of building)
Ivins Satellite Post Office

Phone Numbers:

<i>City Hall</i>	628-0606
<i>Animal Services</i>	628-1049
<i>Building/Zoning</i>	634-9753
<i>Justice Court</i>	634-5728
<i>Parks & Rec</i>	634-0689
<i>Police Dispatch</i>	634-5730
<i>Public Safety</i>	674-5503
<i>Public Works</i>	634-0689
<i>Utilities</i>	628-0606
<i>Emergencies</i>	911

Plan Well, Do Well

(Part 1 – Plan Well)

Chris Hart, Mayor

At the recent economic summit I was invited along with the other area mayors to provide an update on our progress relative to the “Vision Dixie” plan. For those who aren't aware Vision Dixie was a planning process that began five years ago involving hundreds of people throughout the county who met together in various locations working over table sized maps to create their visions of Washington County in the future. Puzzle pieces representing residential and commercial development of various types as well as municipal centers and recreation areas were placed on the map and then connected with road and trail systems. It was an interesting experience discussing various options with relative strangers all with differing points of view in an effort to find consensus.



The result after extensive analysis of the dozens of maps that were created was a single map representing the most agreed upon concepts that had been proposed. Along with the map ten Vision Dixie principles were established as guides for future regional and local planning. They included recommendations for integrating housing and businesses, improving transportation and conservation, protecting views and open space etc. I'd suggest you go to www.visiondixie.org and read about it. The mayors all reported that their communities have used these planning principles as they have written or revised their ordinances since 2007.



Similarly a decade ago Ivins residents were invited to join in a discussion of our vision for the future of our City as a basis for rewriting our General Plan. That too was an interesting process to be a part of as our ideas were written on the board and prioritized. Interestingly a common view emerged of what we eventually ought to become. That view became the current General Plan and has systematically been the basis for all of our planning, zoning ordinance and map revisions as well as other policies and regulations that have been created since then. Indeed as a Planning Commission, City Council, Mayor and Staff we look to the General Plan as a guide for all we do.

Interestingly many of the concepts put forward in the Vision Dixie plan were already in our revised General Plan. Others have been incorporated since. Planning is the essence of what governments do and good planning leads to good results. One of the fascinating things for me as Mayor has been my involvement in regional planning sitting on the governing board of the Washington County Water Conservancy District and the Community Education Channel and as a member of the Dixie Transportation Executive Committee, the County Council of Governments and most recently the Habitat Conservation Advisory Committee. In addition City Council members McDonald and Mendenhall serve on the boards of the Solid Waste and Mosquito Abatement Districts respectively.

In every case the object of our efforts is proper regional planning that will accurately guide local planning efforts. Both regional and local planning can look decades into the future to anticipate road right of ways and other eventual needs. Developers and other would be buyers should use the information provided in these plans to make decisions about property they are considering.



The primary planning body in ours and other cities is the Planning Commission. We have an outstanding one in place. They have over the last several months been grinding through needed updates and revisions to our Commercial Zoning

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Ordinance. Often I have heard them make reference to the General Plan as they have discussed the ideas and suggestions before them. They also approve conditional use permits and review development applications to either approve or to make recommendations to the City Council. Theirs is an important role in the planning process.

The City Council has the ultimate decision making authority on policy matters in the City. After reviewing and discussing recommendations from the Planning Commission and Staff on all planning matters they determine the direction we will be going moving forward. Election to the City Council places a significant responsibility on the shoulders of its members. Few issues are simple to solve. Their oversight of the budget and expenditures is crucial to the financial health of our City. The language they authorize in our land use and development ordinances will determine the face of the City in the years to come. Ultimately the long term best interest of you our residents is the bull's eye on their legislative target.



In all matters of significance you our residents have the opportunity to be involved in the discussion. Through Citizens Comments important issues have been brought forward and acted upon leading to important changes in the City. Public hearings at both the Planning Commission and City Council levels are required any time an ordinance is revised or a land use change is considered. You are not only invited but encouraged to attend those meetings and state your position. I know it can be intimidating but your opinion is valued. It may not steer things as much as you'd like but then again it might. In any case you are a crucial part of the public discourse.



A couple of you attend frequently, a few more periodically and others only when a sensitive issue is before the body. In any case the best time to be involved is when the planning is being done. Your contribution of time and effort is most valuable then. Angry reactions to ordinances or regulations that have been recently passed without your input are far less effective and far more draining than providing research and opinion early in the planning process. I assure you that you will be treated with respect and listened to carefully. I believe every Planning Commission and City Council Member is genuinely interested in what you have to say and waits to make up his or her mind until you've been heard.



The agenda items for all public meetings are posted on the Ivins website and published in both the monthly newsletter and in the Spectrum. I urge you to track the issues being considered and involve yourself to the extent you can. All of our City ordinances and plans are "living documents" systematically reviewed and subject to change. Your contribution to the public process insures that our planning for the future represents your interests and that the future of the City will reflect at least in part your vision of it.

February Agenda Items

Judy Gubler, City Manager

The following are some of the topics that will be discussed at the February Planning Commission and City Council meetings. This is not a complete list and the complete agendas will be posted on the website www.ivins.com 5 to 7 days prior to the meetings. Agendas may be amended up to 24 hours prior to a meeting. If you have questions regarding any of the agenda items please call or e-mail Kevin Rudd at 634-9753 or krudd@ivins.com for Planning Commission questions and Kari Jimenez at 628-0606 or kjimenez@ivins.com for City Council questions.

Planning Commission February 14, 2012

- Public Hearing on Free Annual Zoning Ordinance Amendments – number of horses, use of storage containers for accessory buildings on large lots, signage size and location, increased size of attached garage, and special exception for non-conforming Chevron Sign
- Continue discussion of commercial zoning, design guidelines

Planning Commission February 28, 2012

- Public Hearing on Free Annual Zoning Ordinance Amendments may carryover from February 1, 2012 meeting
- Continue discussion of commercial zoning, design guidelines

City Council February 2, 2012

- Alternative to burning leaves and burn season discussion
- Public Safety Mutual Aid Agreement

City Council February 16, 2012

- No agenda items at press time

Neighborhood Meetings



February 9, 2012

Neighborhood 3: East of 200 West and south of 200 South

February 23, 2012

Neighborhood 4: West of 200 West including Kayenta

All meetings begin at **7:00 p.m.** and are held at the Ivins City Hall at 55 N. Main. Citizen involvement is appreciated and valued and the Neighborhood Meetings are planned to allow you an opportunity to express your desires and concerns for your specific neighborhood. We hope that you'll attend and we look forward to meeting with you. If you are unable to attend but have questions or issues that you'd like to address, please feel free to mail or e-mail your comments to Mayor Hart or City Manager Judy Gubler. Mailing address: 55 N. Main, Ivins, Utah 84738
E-mail: Chris Hart (chart@ivins.com) or Judy Gubler at (jgubler@ivins.com)

The Pet Corner

Aggie Smith, Ivins Animal Shelter

Ivins Animal Control has seen an increase in calls about dogs at large in our city. We want all our citizens to be informed as to the laws regarding this issue. Below are the city codes for animals at large. I also listed the city code for animals disturbing the neighborhood.

The Ivins City Code 6.05.102: "It shall be unlawful for the owner or custodian of any animal to allow such animals to run at large. The owner or person charged with responsibility for an animal found running at large shall be strictly liable for a violation of this section regardless of the precautions taken to prevent the escape of the animal and regardless of whether or not he knows that the animal is running at large." This ordinance applies to cats as they are considered animals also.



The Ivins City Code 6.05.111: Dogs and cats disturbing neighborhood: "It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or harbor any dog or cat which by loud, continued or frequent barking, howling, yelping meowing, screeching or noxious or offensive odors shall annoy, disturb or endanger the health and welfare of any person or neighborhood. This section shall not apply to city animal shelter or veterinary hospital."

Dogs running at large cause so many problems for neighborhoods. At large dogs are a danger to cars and children, plus they may defecate on the property of others. This is not acceptable for the health and well-being of the neighborhood or of the dogs and cats.

The first thing animal control would like to see in any of these cases is civil communication between neighbors. So many times owners are just not aware of their dog's barking. However, if this does not resolve the issue please call animal control. Upon the first report to us we issue a warning, the second report however does carry a penalty of a citation for violation of city ordinance.

Animal control would be happy to answer any other questions you might have regarding these issues. We all want to keep Ivins a safe and enjoyable community for animals and people alike. Please contact us at 435-628-1049.

Greetings from Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter

Linda Elwell, Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter

"A Forever Home for Christmas" was a tremendous success. We did not have an empty shelter but we did adopt 27 cats and 5 dogs. The winners of the drawings were Rita Burger and Boma Johnson. FIAS appreciates the support of our sponsors Lightfoot's, Inc., Red Mountain Market, Coyote Gulch Art Village and Spectrum Media.



The new year seems to be as busy as the end of 2011. The shelter is full and we need good, adoptive families and good foster families. Please come by the shelter and meet your new "BFF" for 2012. We have great dogs and cats just waiting to meet YOU!

The "Wish for the Month" is scoopable cat litter and kitten chow because we are already preparing for spring. We always need wet dog and cat food, as well as dry. The "Wish for the Month" has been a tremendous help and we truly appreciate your support.



The Pound Puppy & Kitty Gala will be held at the Abby Inn on Saturday, April 21, at 6:00 p.m. It will be a served dinner, no buffet line, with three entrée choices. The food is great at the Abby Inn and the room is beautiful. We are looking forward to a fun filled evening. Please mark your calendar because we are looking forward to seeing you. For more information please call 435-673-1718.



Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic appointments may be made by contacting FIAS at 435-673-1718. We have one hundred appointments available for 2012.

Low Cost Vaccination Clinic will be held at the Ivins Animal Shelter & Adoption Center on Saturday, February 11, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Appointments must be made in advance by calling FIAS at 435-673-1718. Cost for the vaccinations will be \$16 each except for the feline combo. Payment must be made by cash or credit card; no checks will be accepted.



INKAS Connie Butterfield, President

Must Love Dogs & Cats!



INKAS – Ivins No Kill Animal Supporters are looking for additional volunteers to help in their fundraising efforts to support the shelter. We welcome your new ideas and talents as we work together to give back to our four-legged loves. We're looking for help to man our booth for the Kayenta Art Festival, and other events that we have planned for 2012.

Interested? Contact us via email at INKAS4pets@gmail.com or call Connie at 435-817-1616.

Pets of the Month



Hello, my name is Lexie. As you can see from my picture I am a beautiful Walker Hound. Please call Aggie at 435-628-1049 or Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter at 435-673-1718 to make an appointment to meet me and all of my friends at the shelter. We are just waiting on YOU to give us our new "forever home".



My name is Misha. Some people say I am "Less Adoptable" because I am a black cat but I am very loveable. Please come and meet me and of all my friends at the shelter. We need a great "forever home" now. Please call Aggie at 435-628-1049 or Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter at 435-673-1718 to make an appointment to meet us because we are looking forward to meeting you.

News from Red Mountain Elementary

Betty Barnum, Principal

GREAT NEWS – Red Mountain Elementary will be offering our first *Language Strand in Spanish* next year 2012-13 starting with **1st Grade**. Research has proven that the younger a child is exposed to a second language the easier it is for them learn an additional language. There will only be 40 openings for this opportunity so contact the school (435-656-3802) for more information and register your student if he/she will be in 1st Grade next year. Students will receive instruction for half the day in Spanish then the other half will be in English. They will be able to continue this program all through their school years in this district.

GEEK PEEK – You are invited to a special technology event at Red Mountain Elementary on **Monday, January 30th from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** Come interact with the different forms of technology that our students use every day such as iPads, laptops, clickers, Smartboards, Elmos and more! Everyone is invited to see what the digital generation is using.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION for 2012-13
March 28, 2012, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
April 4, 2012, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

MILES 4 MOLLY: Save the date, *Saturday, March 24, 2012*, to join with the school and community in a Fun Run to raise money for medical expenses for Molly Dixon. Watch for more information and advertisements.

Contact the school at 435-656-3802 if you have any questions.

Ivins City Parks & Recreation Department

Benny Sorensen, Parks & Recreation Director

It is nearly Spring time again! The trees will blossom, the grass will turn green and (as usual) we will be looking for people to help with the planning, organizing and implementing of the annual Easter Egg Hunt, The Ivins Fitness Festival and the Pioneer Day Celebration.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For the Easter Egg Hunt, which will be held on April 7th at 9:00

a.m. we will need people to help on the morning of the event get eggs placed in the hunting area and help with crowd control. The Ivins Fitness Festival will be held on Saturday, May 5. We have many different opportunities for people to help from entertainment to crowd control, so please contact us if you feel like you would like to help. Last year was a lot of fun. The Pioneer Day Celebration, which will be held this year on Tuesday, July 24, we have three separate activities going on that overlap each other just a little. We have the Pancake breakfast at 7:00 a.m., the Parade at 9:00 a.m. and the activities/vendors in the park at 10:00 a.m.. We would like to have a few people volunteer to help with each of these activities. We hope this will help make these events better and more fun each year.



If you would like to be involved and can commit some of your time to help with one, or all of these events, please call Jennifer at the Parks & Recreation Office 435-634-0689.

"Reading the Chapters of Earth History Exposed in Zion National Park"

Is the present the key to the past or is the past the key to the present? Travel thru time with Marc on a geologic adventure that may help explain some current day processes which concern us all.

When: 7:00 p.m. on February 29

Where: Ivins City Hall (55 N. Main)

Instructor: Marc Deshowitz

Fee: This class is offered at no charge to the first 40 people who register at the Ivins City offices.



Bio

Marc was born in Massachusetts and went to school in the Boston Area and Southern Illinois. After leaving Illinois in 1979 he went to work for Shell Oil Company where he was an exploration geologist looking for oil and gas deposits globally for almost 30 years. Marc retired to St. George in 2008 with his wife Chrystal and together they lead Road Scholar (Elderhostel) Trips to all of the National Parks in Utah.

New Class

Class: "Pre-K Sing & Play"

Dates: Thursdays, Feb 16 - May 17 (no class Mar 15 or Apr 5)

Time: 1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Description: 12-week singing class for ages 3-5. We'll learn some basic elements of singing & music all while having lots of fun! Lydia the puppet will join the fun and teach us some cool games & songs. Possible song showcase at the end of course. Taught by Katti Powell, Founder of The Powell Method, who is a lifelong performer and a singing teacher of 11 years.

Cost: \$125 + \$10 Materials Fee

Class Minimum: 4 Students (Register online or in person at City Hall (55 N. Main))

Disc Golf Tournament

Ivins Disc Golf Association and Ivins Parks & Recreation are hosting our 3rd Disc Golf Tournament.



When: Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.
 Where: Ivins City Park 100 North and 100 West
 Cost: \$3.00 for age 10 to 16
 \$5.00 for age 17 and older

For information and registration - call Phil Moulton 435-862-0303.

Age limit is 10 years and above. (Children age 8 and 9 will be allowed to play, provided they can throw well enough). The course for this tournament will be a 9 holes and par is 27.

The entry fee includes prizes in the three age divisions; Lowest score, closest to the hole and hole in one.

Disc Golf or Frisbee Golf is a USDGA regulated sport with over 2300 disc courses in the U.S. Amateur and professional tournaments are held continuously on these courses. IDGA Tournament director, Phil Moulton is a four year resident of Ivins, a former MDGA Director, Youth Golf and Disc instructor, Idaho Frisbee Champion and has organized over 30 disc golf events.

The Dirty Hurty All Trail Half Marathon

Date: March 10, 2012
 Time: 7:00 a.m. start time (Packet/bib pick up will be at 6:30 a.m.)
 Location: UNITY Park



We hope that everyone will come and enjoy a beautiful day on the trails here in scenic southern Utah. Here are a few things to remember;

* This race will occur over rough terrain, many miles of which will require you as a participant to be a smart runner. Slow down and enjoy the trails, you are only racing against yourself, and you can't do that with a sprained ankle at mile 6 on the back of the barrel roll trail.

* Like all the very best things in life, this is not easy, (therefore the name "Hurty") so, buck up, grit your teeth and accomplish an awesome 1/2 marathon. You WILL get wet and you WILL get dirty...

* 2 of the 3 aid stations will be self-serve, they WILL be fully stocked with all the important running necessities. A hydration pack/running pack is highly recommended and encouraged. Please be prepared to run self-supported for 6.1 miles.

For more information and registration visit www.redmountainrunning.com.



Community Garden

The Ivins Community Garden is located at approximately 900 S. on 200 E. The garden plots range in size from 8' x 20' (160 Sq. Ft) to 20' x 20' (400 Sq. Ft.). We are planning to use irrigation water again but it will not be available until April, so if you plant before then, you will have to carry your own water.

Ivins City will administer the Community Garden and require registration and compliance with Community Garden Guidelines. Gardeners must register with Ivins City prior to working in the Community Garden. All garden plots are assigned on a

first come, first served basis. A waiting list will be kept for future garden plot availability.

An annual refundable deposit of \$30 and an annual non-refundable deposit of \$20 are required at registration. The annual refundable deposit of \$30 will be returned (or held for the next year) if the garden plot is cleared by October 31. The annual non-refundable deposit of \$20 will be used to cover costs of plot preparation, irrigation material and mulch. The refundable deposit may be returned or rolled over for a garden plot for the next year. Deposits may be made with cash, check, or credit card. If a garden plot over-waters, has weeds, or is not in compliance with these guidelines, the refundable deposit will be forfeited and the gardener's right to use of the garden plot will be revoked. We will have approximately 10 tons mulch available in March, but that is all we will provide.

We will begin taking reservations on February 13, 2012.

Classes and program updates

Acro Gymnastics/Tumbling and Dance Classes

February 8 to March 7, 2012 (5weeks)

Day & Time	Class	Ages	Tuition
Wed. 10:00-10:45 a.m.	Ballet	Ages 2-5	\$ 33 (5 wks)
Wed. 10:45-11:30 a.m.	Tumbling	Ages 2-5	\$ 33 (5 wks)

Location: Classes are held in the Recreation Building at the Ivins UNITY Park (400 S. 300 W.)

Dates that classes will be held during this session are:
 Feb 8, Feb 15, Feb 22, Feb 29, March 7



Yoga

Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. is Gentle Yoga
 Tuesday - 9:15 a.m. to 10:25 a.m. is Power Flow
 Wednesday - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. is Gentle Yoga
 Single class fee - \$6.00, 4 classes - \$23.00,
 8 classes - \$40.00 - Taught by Kim Nally

Personal Training by Katey Fielding

Katey Fielding is a Certified Personal Trainer with four years of experience helping people keep themselves fit. She takes you through a variety of fun and exciting exercises.

She uses balance, core strength, weights and cardio to create the perfect workout for your life-style and goals. No matter what age you are or what goals you have, she will design an exercise routine just for you. Come as an individual or with a group of friends and learn to push yourself to new heights. One hour sessions are currently available; Email Katey to find a time that works for you. \$25 per hour per person or \$20 per hour if you bring a friend.

Minimum Class size – 1 Maximum Class size – 6
 All classes are taught at the Recreation Building in UNITY Park.

For more information you can email Katey Fielding at kateyfielding@gmail.com.

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Baseball Registration

It's almost time to get ready for 2012 Recreation Baseball Registration!

We will be offering coed T-ball (age 5 & 6) and Rookie (coach's pitch age - 7 & 8) leagues again this year. Age for each division is determined by what the child's age is or will be on July 1st. For example: If your child turns 5 before July 1st they are old enough to play T-ball. If a child turns 7 before July 1st, they must play Rookie.



When: Beginning March 1 - Ending April 6, 2012
Where: The Ivins City Offices - 55 N. Main
Times: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Tennis Lessons

Spring Session #1

Classes will begin on Saturday, February 25 and end on March 24, 2012

12 to 16 years old - Intermediate 8:00 a.m. to 8:50 a.m.
12 to 16 years old - Beg./Adv. Beg. 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.
6 to 11 years old - Beginner 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

Spring Session #2

Classes begin on Saturday, May 12 and end on June 9, 2012

12 to 16 years old - Intermediate 8:00 a.m. to 8:50 a.m.
12 to 16 years old - Beg./Adv. Beg. 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.
6 to 11 years old - Beginner 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

Classes are taught on the tennis courts at UNITY Park (400 S. 300 W.) by Dylan Christensen. Fees for classes are \$35 per participant for a five week session, class size is limited to eight students and you must register prior to attending the class at the Ivins City Offices (55 N. Main) or online at Ivins.com. Please bring a tennis racquet if you have one, if you don't one will be provided for you.

If you have any questions please call Ivins City Parks & Recreation at 435-634-0689 or e-mail Mr. Christensen at dylanrc@msn.com.

Easter Egg Hunt is coming soon!!



This year's hunt will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 7 in UNITY Park (200 W. 400 S.) on the large baseball/soccer field. All participants must provide their own Easter Basket.

The divisions for this year will be:

Division 1 - 4 years old and Under

Children in Division 1 must have the ability to walk and pick up eggs without assistance from parents; however, one parent may be in the hunting area with their child to give guidance and direction.

Division 2 - Ages 5, 6, 7 and 8

Division 3 - Ages 9, 10, 11 and 12

No parents will be allowed to help in Divisions 2 and 3!

Red Mountain 50K Ultra Marathon and 30K Road Race

Race Date: Saturday, April 21, 2012

Race Time: 50k Race starts promptly at 6:00 a.m. The 30k start time is 7:00 a.m.

Participants will be bused to the start of both the 50k and 30k events.

50k participants please be at UNITY Park in Ivins (finish line)

no later than 5:00 a.m. to allow time to bus to Central. This should allow 20 minutes for warm-up, hydration. 30k runners, buses will leave UNITY Park at 6:10 a.m., so please be on time.

For more information go to www.redmountainrunning.com



Ivins Soccer Association – 2012 Youth Soccer League for ages 3 1/2 to 18

Online registration for the Spring 2012 season can now be done at www.ivinssoccer.com.

Late Registration will be available online from January 30 through February 4 and in person on February 4 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the UNITY Park recreation building.

There will also be a drop box available at the Ivins City Offices where you can drop off soccer registration forms during business hours.

* Late Registration is an additional \$10 per player

* No refunds can be given after February 15th, 2012

Please make checks payable to: **IVINS SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

For more information please go to www.ivinssoccer.com or Call 435-673-2372.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact us by email at: ivinssoccer@gmail.com.

Ivins Soccer Association is a privately operated youth soccer program; it is not an Ivins City Parks & Recreation Program.

Lava Ridge Intermediate School



Lava Ridge Intermediate School is currently in the process of registering for the 2012-2013 school year. If you have a student that is not currently attending a school in the Washington County School District and you plan for your 6th or 7th grader to attend Lava Ridge, please stop by the office and complete a registration packet.

If you have any questions, please call 435-652-4742 or stop by the school at 2425 Rachel Drive, Santa Clara, UT

Upcoming Dumpster Dates:

Saturday, February 11, 2012



**Dumpsters are located next to the Public Works Yard behind the City Cemetery. They are available on a first come first serve basis beginning at 8:00 am and close that same day once full.