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Dumpster Date:
October 24th

Meeting Schedule
5:30 PM

City Council
October 8th
October 22nd
Planning Commission
October 6th
October 20th

Post Office

Main Branch/New Service
 Santa Clara: 628-2112
Satellite Post Office
 Ivins: 628-1381

Utility Payment Drop Box

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

Website: www.ivins.com

Phone Numbers:

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| <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 |

Ivins City
Trunk-or-Treat
 Saturday, October 31
 Starts at 4:00 to 5:00 PM
 UNITY Park
 (200 West 400 South)

Fun for all ages

Bring your vehicles decorated for Halloween and filled with plenty Halloween treats for the countless trick-or-treaters.

For safety reasons, ALL vehicles must be parked by 3:30pm and stay for the entire event. Candy must be individually wrapped.

Please pre-register before the 31st. Registration is free.

ALL vehicles must check-in at the registration table located at the entrance of the parking lot on 200 West. The parking lots are part of the Trunk-or-Treat. Vehicles will be parked in the parking lot, so that trunks will be facing out. For more information or to register your vehicle please contact Tami in the Parks & Recreation Department at 634-0689.

Ivins City Trunk-or-Treat 2009
Vehicle Registration Sign-up Form

Name _____
 Address _____ Phone #: _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Vehicle Description

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____
 Color _____ License Plate # _____

NOTE: To avoid any accidents or dangers for the children, please have your vehicle parked no later than **3:30pm** and remain parked **till the end.**

Dial-A-Ride and Meals-on-Wheels

Vince McFadden, Washington County Council on Aging

The Dial-A-Ride Transportation Program is available for Ivins City residents ages 60+ or those with a disability. Dial-A-Ride includes transportation to medical appointments, prescription pick-up, grocery and other shopping on limited routes. Dial-A-Ride service is available for a suggested donation of \$3 one way or \$5 round trip (donation recommended only, not required). The bus runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday through Friday. To make a reservation call 634-5743.

Meals-On-Wheels is available for Ivins residents that are 60+ years of age and can't drive and/or need assistance in receiving a nutritious meal. Meals are delivered Tuesday through Friday for a suggested donation (recommended only) of \$2.50 per meal. Please call the Senior Center at 634-5743 to sign up for Meals-on-Wheels.

Flu Prevention

Bob Flowers, Public Safety Director

The following was gathered from the flu.gov website.

For Individuals and Families: It is important to know about the different flu viruses currently in circulation, their risks, and what you can do to protect yourself and the people you care for. There are everyday steps you and your loved ones can take to help protect yourselves against infection from flu viruses, and there are steps you should take if you become infected.

About the Flu: Flu refers to illnesses caused by a number of different influenza viruses. Flu can cause a range of symptoms and effects, from mild to lethal. Two strains of flu, seasonal flu and the H1N1 (Swine) flu, are currently circulating in the United States. Most healthy people recover from the flu without problems, but certain people are at high risk for serious complications. A third, highly lethal H5N1 (Bird) flu is being closely tracked overseas.

Vaccination: Getting vaccinated is the best way to avoid getting either the seasonal or the H1N1 flu. The two flus require separate vaccinations (two shots). Plan to get a seasonal flu vaccination now and the H1N1 vaccination when it becomes available.

Prevention & Treatment: Washing your hands often and practicing good hygiene are two important steps to prevention. Antiviral medications may be used for prevention and treatment. Take these everyday steps to protect your health:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- Stay home if you are sick for 7 days after your symptoms begin or until you have been symptom-free for 24 hours, whichever is longer. This is to keep from infecting others and spreading the virus further.
- Follow public health advice regarding school closures, avoiding crowds and other social distancing measures.

Parents (and Expecting): Vaccinating children is a priority. Children should be given both the seasonal and H1N1 flu vaccines. Pregnant women are a priority group for receiving the H1N1 vaccine when it becomes available because they are at increased risk.

People with Health Conditions: People with certain health conditions such as asthma, diabetes, cancer, HIV/AIDS, and heart or kidney disease may face special medical challenges during flu season.

If you would like more information regarding the flu, please visit the website flu.gov.

International Walk to School Day



Taunie Stott, Public Safety Administrative Asst.

Walking to school is a great way for kids to get exercise and reduce traffic congestion near schools. Unfortunately, many children are unable to do so because the conditions are not safe. We know your child's safety is a top priority for you. That's why we're inviting you to join us for **International Walk to School Day on October 7, 2009**. Red Mountain Elementary and Washington County Safe Kids are partnering with program sponsor FedEx to make this important pedestrian safety event possible.

We need your involvement! Please:

- Participate in International Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 7, by walking your child(ren) to school. If you can't walk your child, ask a family member or friend to participate in your place.
- While walking that day, talk to your child about pedestrian safety messages below.
- Take note of any pedestrian hazards (no sidewalks, no crosswalk, etc.) along the route your child takes to school.
- If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Taunie Stott with the Ivins Public Safety at 435-674-5503 or email tstott@ivins.com.

The long-term goal of Safe Kids Walk This Way is to increase walking and make neighborhoods safer for walking to school. We encourage you to become involved in this program! Here are some helpful tips for walking safely with your child:

- Recommend that children under age 10 not cross streets alone. Children need to be old enough to develop the skills to cross streets safely.
- Always model and teach proper pedestrian behavior.
- Instruct children to look left, right and left again when crossing streets and to continue looking as they cross.
- Make sure children don't run into streets or dart from between parked cars.
- Require children to wear retro reflective materials and carry a flashlight at dawn, at dusk and in bad weather.

We look forward to walking with you on October 7.

Keep Kids Safe This School Year

Taunie Stott, Public Safety Administrative Asst.

Vista, a new kindergarten through sixth grade school, opened in September. It is located on Center Street and school hours are 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. There will be a crossing guard present in the morning, noon hour and after school. This is a very busy road so please be patient and courteous as you travel through the school zone. If you are not dropping off or picking up children during those hours, you might consider (cont. on next page)

(cont'd) using an alternate route. Your patience is appreciated as we make an adjustment to this reduced speed in the school crossing zone.

Drivers need to do their part to keep kids safe while they walk and bike to school. FedEx and Safe Kids USA remind motorists to be extra careful and recommend that drivers:

- Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods and school zones. Speeding in school zones is extremely hazardous and can be very expensive.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Watch for children on and near the road in the morning and after school hours.
- Remember that children may move in unpredictable ways.
- Reduce any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.
- Never leave a child alone in a vehicle.
- Always lock car doors and trunks and keep keys out of children's reach.



Jingle Bells Ring at the Ivins Animal Shelter

Tracey Welsh, Red Mountain Spa



Celebrate the holidays with your entire family – especially your four-legged members, with the Twelve Pets of Christmas Jingle Bell Walk Saturday December 12th at the Ivins Animal Shelter.

The Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter, F.I.A.S, along with the Homeless Animal Rescue Team, H.A.R.T, are coming together to help homeless animals over the holidays. Bring your dog, and he'll be outfitted with holiday bells for the one-mile walk. Don't have a pup, but would love to join? The Ivins Animal Shelter will let you walk one of the shelter animals. And of course, you can just walk along without a pet to show your support for homeless animals. Special Guest and animal advocate, Merrill Osmond, will lead the walk while singing holiday favorites. Merrill is also hosting a fundraising live auction, along with joining supporters for pictures with Santa Claus. Special drawings and holiday refreshments are included for walk participants. The walk gets underway at 10:30am on December 12th, followed by refreshments and a live auction beginning at noon. Save and Pre-register for the fundraising walk at the Ivins Animal Shelter, on Saturday's November 14th and 21st and December 5th from 10am until Noon, for just \$10 per person, or \$20 for the whole family. Day of Event registration will be \$15 per person, or \$25 per family, starting at 9:30AM. We look forward to this fun-filled family event to share holiday spirit with the homeless pets of Southern Utah. **MEDIA CONTACT:** Tracey Welsh at twelsh@redmtn.com or (435)668-2740.

Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter, is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation founded to support the "No Kill" philosophy. It is our goal, as stated in the Ivins City Animal Ordinance, "...that no

adoptable animal shall be euthanized if it can be adopted into a suitable and adequate home." Our goal is to maintain a 95% save rate, which has been reached or surpassed each year. Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter, 661 East 425 South, Ivins, Utah 84738. Contact Linda Elwell at lindafias@msn.com or (435)673-1718.



H.A.R.T. of Utah (Homeless Animal Rescue Team) is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to reducing the number of unwanted animals that are killed at local shelters. We will accomplish this through working directly with the public, offering them the help needed to keep their pets, supporting spay/neuter programs, providing educational information to local school systems and working closely with other animal rescue groups to benefit all animals. Contact Lorraine Pakulis at (435) 705-9835, Hartofutah@gmail.com and website Hartofutah.org.

Burn Season Open

Pete Kuhlmann, Deputy Public Safety Director



September 15th brought the opening of the fall burn window. Burn windows are specific periods identified by State and Federal regulations where the burning of weeds and other agricultural debris is allowed. Burn windows are established to address fire safety and environmental concerns and correspond with normal yearly weather patterns. With the opening of the fall burn season, you are welcome to use burning as a means of facilitating the cleanup of your properties. In order to burn within the city you need to obtain a burn permit. Permits are no cost and can be obtained over the internet. To obtain a burn permit go to www.sgcity.org/police and click on the County Burn Permit icon on the right side of the page, fill out the on-line permit and follow the instructions. If you do not have access to the internet, contact the dispatch center by phone at (435)627-4949 and ask to obtain a burn permit. They will ask your name, address, and when you intend on burning. Once you have supplied the information you will be allowed to burn. It is important to remember that even with a burn permit you are responsible for any damage which results from your actions. To help you keep your burn activities under control and safe you should follow these guidelines:

- Burn in small piles about the size of a wheelbarrow. This will produce less smoke and flame and will be easier for you to control.
- Stay with your fire. Quick action can prevent fire spread. You can't act quickly if you are not there.
- Have a water source available. Water is our most readily available extinguishing agent. Have a hose nearby and charged with water.
- Don't burn near buildings, flammable fencing, power poles, vehicles, or other flammable objects.
- Don't burn when it is windy. Extinguish your fire if the wind increases. Wind usually increases and changes direction before thunder storms and ahead of cold fronts. Wind drastically affects the direction of travel and intensity of fire.

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- Be sure your burn is extinguished before dark. Burning is only allowed during daylight hours. Fire appears more intense and nearer in the dark.
- Make sure your fire is completely extinguished before you leave it. Check it to insure that there are no remaining hotspots.
- Make sure that the weeds and clippings you are burning are dry and will burn readily. It is unlawful to create a nuisance by generating excess smoke while burning.

Keep in mind that the burn regulations allow for the burning of weeds, tree and bush limbs, leaves and other agricultural debris. They do not allow you to burn trash, garbage, or construction debris.

We thank you for your efforts in keeping our city safe. How you handle a controlled burn can have a marked effect on the safety of your neighborhood. Please follow the guidelines listed above and have a safe burn season.

Street Construction Complete

Charles Gillette, City Engineer

The construction work that had been ongoing on the block surrounded by Main Street, 400 South, 200 East and 600 South is now complete. This project was enabled by a \$300,000 community development block grant received from the federal government which provides 75% of the funding. There have been a few common questions asked about the completed project, especially in regards to 200 East Street that I would like to clarify.

Q: Why isn't the new curb on 200 East Street lined up with the existing curb north of 400 South?

A: As many of you understand, Ivins City has master plans for roads and trails. The trail master plan indicates that a 10-foot wide asphalt trail will be installed in the future along the length of 200 E. from Old HWY 91 to Center St. It is planned that the trail will start on the west side of 200 E. and cross to the east side at 400 S. The newly installed curb was therefore laterally shifted to provide the space needed for the 10-foot wide trail.

Q: Why doesn't the new asphalt extend the full future width of 200 East Street?

A: The funding on the project was limited due to the community development block grants for communities of our size are limited to \$300,000. Ivins City is now working to secure enough funds to reconstruct 1.5 miles of 200 E. Street from Old HWY 91 to Center St. This project would require an estimated \$2.3 million. When funding for this project is secured, the rest of the curb and gutter on the east side of 200 E. Street will be installed and the asphalt road will be widened to its proper full planned width of 42 feet.

Q: Why is the asphalt on 200 East Street installed lower than the concrete gutter leaving 1-inch lip between the edge of the asphalt and the edge of the gutter?

A: As indicated in the answer to the previous question, a future project will widen the road to its full width; additionally the asphalt will be raised 1-inch. This will allow for the future road to be seamless and therefore more durable into the future.

Huntsman Senior Games

Events & Road Closures

Sergeant Jay Randall, Public Safety

Once again Ivins City is hosting the Huntsman Senior Games in October. The events are scheduled as follows:

October 5th – 10K Run. The race course will travel from Snow Canyon State Park on Snow Canyon Dr. turning west on Center St. and finishing on 100 West. **There will be no road closures for this race.** This race will travel past Vista School after school starts and finish before school is out in the afternoon.

October 9th – Cycling Road Race. This race will start in front of the fire station and travel west to 400 West, turn south to 400 South and turn west to Highway 91. The cyclists will re-enter Ivins through Snow Canyon State Park on Snow Canyon Dr. turning west on Center St. and finish where it started at the fire station. **Center Street from 100 East to 150 West will be closed from 9:00 a.m. to noon for this event.** If you live in this area, we will make arrangements for you to get through the closure.

October 10th – Triathlon. The cycling portion of this event will travel through Ivins. The cyclists will enter Ivins from Pioneer Parkway onto 400 East, turn west on 400 South and travel to 400 West, turn north onto 400 West, traveling to Brittlebrush Way. The cyclists will make a u-turn and return the same route. **There will not be road closures, but several intersections will be affected.** Police officers and volunteers will be present to minimize inconvenience to the public.

October 13th – Race-walk. Center Street will be closed from 100 East to 150 West between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Again, if you live in this area we will make arrangements for you to get through with minor inconvenience.

Ivins Public Safety appreciates your patience and cooperation with these events and road closures. Please be courteous to the participants during these events by observing police officers and volunteers directing traffic.

Ivins City will continue to host more of these types of events. Because of the beautiful scenery around Southern Utah, organizers continue to plan outdoor events in this area. Washington County will be hosting the world famous Ironman competition in May 2010. There will be events scheduled in Ivins City for this competition as well. Thank you in advance for your patience during these special events.

Parks & Recreation

Benny Sorensen, Parks Director

It has been a good summer overall for vandalism, except for the Splash Pad. It was open for only a little more than a month when the spray guns were damaged beyond repair. After about two months of not having them, we received the new improved model and installed them. After less than thirty days both of the new spray guns were damaged beyond repair. The cost to replace these features is about \$5,000 so we would really like to catch the person or persons who did this because we believe it was done intentionally and we would like to have them arrested. The Splash Pad is scheduled to officially close for the season on October 4, 2009. It may close sooner if we suffer more damage.

Parks & Trails Master Plan Survey

We are currently in the process of updating our Parks & Trails Master plan. As part of this process we will be sending out a survey with the November newsletter. This survey will help us



gauge what residents feel are the priorities for Parks, Recreation and Trails for the next five to ten years. We encourage you to look for it and take the time to complete it so we can have as much community input as possible. Once you

complete the survey you can bring it to City Hall when you pay your utility payment or mail it back. The more response we have from you, the better our future planning can be.

Community Education

Community Education is now offering three wonderful programs for children that will be held in Ivins. The first program is "Time for Tots", this program is geared for children 3-5 years old and will be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.. Our second program, "Kreative Kids" is an arts and crafts class held on Fridays at Red Mountain Elementary. Last, but not least, is "Kidspac", this is an after school program geared toward helping assist elementary students with their homework, we also provide other fun curricular activities.

Please call Community Education for more information 435-652-7675 or visit our website at www.ce.dixie.edu.

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center

Ivins City has an interlocal agreement with the City of St. George that allows Ivins residents to use the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center for the resident rate. This is a great facility that offers year round water fun and fitness. There is a leisure pool for fun and a lap pool for fitness, they offer swimming lessons and a variety of special events throughout the year. Sand Hollow Aquatic

Center is a wonderful facility and we encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity to use it!



2010 Youth Basketball Registration

It's basketball season once again. Games are played at the following times:

1st & 2nd Grade Division (co-ed) Thursday Evenings
3rd & 4th Grade Division (co-ed) Tuesday Evenings
5th & 6th Grade Division (co-ed) Wednesday evenings
7th & 8th Grade Division (co-ed) Monday evenings



Registration begins – October 13

Registration ends – November 25

Our 1st & 2nd and 3rd & 4th grade divisions are very recreational and instructional, where volunteer coaches play a big part in teaching players basic basketball skills, teamwork, sportsmanship and how to have fun playing basketball! Our 5th & 6th and 7th & 8th Grade Divisions are a bit different from our younger divisions, still very recreational, but we draft all players onto teams to keep teams evenly matched. The draft practice is currently scheduled for December 9 at 5:30 p.m. for 5th & 6th grade and 7:30 p.m. for 7th & 8th grade at Lava Ridge Intermediate School.

Games are held weekday evenings at Lava Ridge Intermediate School (or possibly Red Mtn. Elementary if needed).
Registration Fee - \$25.00.

Volunteer Coaches Needed! We would like to have all coaches selected before November 15th so we can get everything ready for the league to start. If you would like to help coach, please let us know when you register your child.

We will only be able to take the number of players that we have coaches for. If we have more players than we have coaches for, we will issue refunds to those we do not have coaches for. Registration is taken on a first come-first serve basis! Space is limited; we only have spaces for 8 players per team and only 8 teams per division.

Sign up at the Ivins City office! (55 North Main).

For more information call the Parks & Recreation Department 634-0689.

Dance & Musical Theater Classes

We are offering Dance and Musical Theater Classes for Children and Teens. Classes are on going with new sessions beginning every four or six weeks. The next session begins October 5th and goes through November 13th. No classes will be held on October 19th due to Fall Break. Classes include Tap Dancing, and Ballet & Jazz Technique for ages two all the way up to twelve. Teen classes and adult tap classes are also available. Classes are taught by Teresa Hill-Putnam who shares her talents with the community by offering high quality Dance, Tumbling, and Musical Theater classes. Private lessons are also offered in Dance, Tumbling and Vocal Performance for an additional fee. For more information contact Ivins Parks & Recreation at 634-0689 or Ms. Teresa at 628-8550.



Acro Gymnastics/Tumbling Classes

These classes are designed to help develop flexibility, balance, coordination, muscle strength, and tumbling skills. The classes are divided into ability levels in order to give the students a more individualized program. Each one-hour class (45 minutes for the 2 to 5 age group) consists of skill training and choreography time to utilize the skills being taught. Classes are on going with a new session beginning the week October 5th.



Youth Tennis Classes

We are offering youth tennis classes again this fall, classes will be held on the following Saturday mornings, October 10, 17, 24, 31 and November 7.

12 to 16 yrs old - Adv. Beginner/Intermediate 8:00 to 8:50 a.m.

11 to 16 years old – Beginners 9:00 to 9:50 a.m.

7 to 10 years old – Beginners 10:00 to 10:50 a.m.



Classes are taught at 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 https://www.xpressbillpay.com/portal/payment_forms/index.php?id=OTQ1.

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 634-0869 or Mr. Christensen at 632-5244 or you can e-mail him at dylanc@msn.com.

Zumba Fitness Classes—The Latest Craze in Fitness

Zumba classes have become one of our most requested classes by both men and women alike. Zumba eliminates the “work” from “working out” by combining amazing, irresistible Latin and international music with dynamic, yet simple exercise moves, using their unique intermittent training format. It is a latin form of aerobics, so let loose and enjoy your workout!



Classes will be held at UNITY Park in the recreation building or on the tennis courts (depending on the weather) Monday through Friday 5:50 a.m.—6:50 a.m. with instructor Julie Thompson. Cost is just \$3.00 per class or \$40.00 for a punch pass of 20 Classes. Contact Tami at Ivins Parks & Recreation for more information or pick up your punch card at City Hall.

Visit www.ivins.com

- * View Public Notices and Meeting Agendas
- * Pay Your Utility Bill Online
- * Register for Recreation Activities
- * Download Forms
- * Find Out About Upcoming Events and Activities



Ivins Soccer League

Ivins Soccer League is currently under construction and looking for volunteers to help make the 2010 season bigger and better than ever! We currently have several opportunities for volunteers – from behind the scenes work, to coaching & officiating. Any and all are welcome to volunteer! We are looking forward to kicking off the 2010 season in December with open registration! Keep watching for information on how to get registered!! If you are interested in helping soccer continue to grow in Ivins by volunteering please email Kasey or Kristen Cottam at scivinsoccer@gmail.com.



Recycling Dumpsters (Binnies)

It is great to see so many residents recycling. Your recycling efforts are encouraged and appreciated. As a reminder, cardboard boxes are not allowed in the recycling bins. They cannot be recycled. Please dispose of them with your regular trash pick up.



The following items can be placed in the recycling bins:

Paper

Newsletter, office paper, junk mail, phone books, catalogues, magazines, and paper board (cereal boxes, gray and white board boxes) are recyclable. Paper towels, napkins, tissues, pizza boxes and cardboard are NOT recyclable. Please place plastic newspaper covers in the plastic recycling bins.

Please do not place contaminated paper in the Binnies and make sure paper is free from food, drink, oil, paint or grease.

Plastic

Plastics with a recycle logo #1 and #7 wide mouth (cottage cheese) containers, narrow mouth (drink) containers, and film plastic (grocery bags, covers for newspapers, etc.) are recyclable. Styrofoam is NOT recyclable.

Please compact all bottles in order to save room in the Binnies and please rinse out food and drink from containers. Plastic lids on containers are recyclable as well.

Glass

Green, brown, clear, blue and red glass bottles are recyclable. Vases, window panes, drinking glasses and auto windshields are NOT recyclable.

Please remove metal lids and recycle them in the Binnie marked for Metals. Please rinse all food and drink from bottles.

Metals

Tin, aluminum or steel cans (any food or beverage can) are recyclable. No full or sealed cans, please.

Please rinse all food and drink from cans. Labels may be left on the cans.

For additional information, contact the WCSW website at www.wcsw.org.