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ARTFUL LIVING Chris Hart, Mayor

Living in such a place as this we are reminded of the nature's beauty daily as the magnificent backdrop of our city comes to light. Of equal splendor our protected night sky displays a wondrous universe of stars and other celestial bodies. It's no surprise that people who appreciate such things continue to congregate here either to live or to visit. My first glimpse of Ivins was from the window of a car descending into the city from majestic Snow Canyon. I remember being awestruck and thinking that to live here would be like having a home inside a National Park. After nearly twenty years my opinion hasn't changed. I'm as fond of the grandeur of our surroundings now as I was then, and I suspect that most of you feel the same way.



As a natural result of the beauty that surrounds us a thriving arts community has emerged here.

Artists and art aficionados are attracted here like moths to a flame. Painters, photographers, sculptors and potters have located here to bask in the beauty of the area. Truth be known those of us who may be less gifted artistically are still uplifted by the majesty of it all. People travel here from across the country and around the world to see Snow Canyon, to experience Tuacahn or to stay for a few days at Red Mountain Resort and Spa or the Movara Fitness Resort. Many more will visit in years to come as Sentierre opens its doors and I suspect that other resort properties will ultimately locate in Ivins as well. It's become almost routine when attending a Tuacahn concert to hear the performers comment on the amphitheater's incredible backdrop.

It's taken years of planning, investment and encouragement by Terry Marten and others to develop the Art Village in Kayenta that has become a destination of its own over the years. Once a year it hosts the Art in Kayenta Festival

that takes place on October 7, 8 & 9 this year. It is certainly one of the finest gathering of artists in Utah and it's well worth scheduling at least half a day to attend. Selected artists from all over the region come to display their work in a variety of mediums. There's also music, entertainment and all sorts of food and drink to enjoy along with the art.

This year the new Kayenta Arts Center will be open for tours during the festival. This lovely new facility is nearing completion and will ultimately host a wide variety of performances, art shows and gatherings of all kinds. This is a grand addition to Ivins City and to the entire region helping to fill a very real need for evening entertainment and activity options for tourists and locals alike according to a study recently completed for the City of St. George. The Center's flexible "black box" theater has been designed to accommodate an assortment of theatrical productions and concerts while other areas of the complex will fill numerous other needs.

It's an astounding fact that the nearly \$2.5 million center has been completed to this point on private donations and foundation funding. There's still a lot to be done and financial support is needed to complete and equip the new facility. I urge one and all to consider a contribution to The Kayenta Arts Foundation (the Center's sponsor, that can be transacted at the Festival if you're so inclined or by going to their website at kayentaartsfoundation.org.



And finally on the subject of art in Ivins City you've no doubt noticed that the monument at the roundabout intersection of Snow Canyon Parkway and Snow Canyon Drive is finally in place. This amazing piece of sculpture was introduced at a ribbon cutting ceremony during our Heritage Days celebration. It

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Meeting Schedule 5:30 PM

Planning Commission
October 4, 2016
October 18, 2016

City Council
October 6, 2016
October 20, 2016

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

Utility Payment Drop Box
Ivins City Office:
55 N Main (North Side of Building)
Ivins Satellite Post Office
555 S 200 E

PHONE NUMBERS
City Hall 628-0606
Animal Services 628-1049
Building/Zoning 634-9753
Justice Court 634-5728
Parks & Rec. 634-0689
Police Dispatch 634-5730
SCI Public Safety (Ivins) 674-5503
SCI Public Safety (Santa Clara) 652-1122
Public Works 634-0689
Utilities 628-0606
Emergencies 911
Anonymous Tip Hotline 673-8488

Website: www.ivins.com

has been named "Now and Then, a Tribute to Ivins City Past and Present." The five figures emanating from the central "trunk" each represent an important aspect of our city either now or in the past. It takes a little study to appreciate the beauty of the piece, something that's hard to do while driving through the roundabout. Suffice it to say that Edward Hlavka has outdone himself with this sculpture.

He has meticulously completed every detail as if we would be standing within inches of the piece. And beyond what was originally commissioned by the city he has added features like a dog, cat & tortoise since our no kill Ivins Animal Shelter and Adoption Center and the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve have become important parts of our identity. He has even chronicled the evolution of flora and fauna in the area from the native brush and startled quail behind the Native American boy to a branch laden with pomegranates circling behind the farmer representing the hard earned success of agricultural cultivation lying at the roots of our origins and of course the two domesti-

cated pets.

Our plans are to have the monument professionally photographed and published on the website and to place a pedestal mounted plaque describing the details and background of the piece on an adjacent corner next to the trail. We will also as a part of future Heritage Days celebrations include controlled tours into the roundabout to allow you and visitors to the city to see the monument close up.

Our focus on the arts as a city has led to the creation of an Arts Master Plan and an Arts Council to assist in the distribution of RAP funding and the planning of future arts projects within Ivins City. These were important steps to take to insure the continued vitality of the arts in Ivins. It was Tracy Welch, the General Manager of Red Mountain Resort and Spa, who coined the expression "artful living." I loved it instantly and continue to believe that it is a prevalent mindset in our community and one worth developing in each of our lives.

OCTOBER AGENDA ITEMS

The following are some of the topics that may be discussed at the October 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. Check the website the day before the scheduled meeting for the final agenda items to be discussed. If you have questions regarding any of the agenda items, please call or e-mail Kevin Rudd at 435-634-9753 or krudd@ivins.com for Planning Commission questions, and Kari Jimenez at 435-628-0606 or kjimenez@ivins.com for City Council questions. Meetings begin at 5:30 p.m.



Planning Commission October 4, 2016

- Public hearing on proposed Zone Change from RA-1 to Resort Recreational on property located on the south side of Old Highway 91 at approximately 100 West
- Discuss & consider recommendation on proposed Zone Change from RA-1 to Resort Recreational on property located on the South side of Old Highway 91 at approximately 100 West
- Continued discussion about possible locations for High Density Zoning

Planning Commission October 18, 2016

- Possible Public Hearing & recommendation on Preliminary Plan for Crimson Canyon Subdivision located at approximately 300 North and 250 East

City Council October 6, 2016

- Discuss & consider approval of Parks & Recreation Impact Fee Facilities Plan, Impact Fee Analysis & Enactment of Impact new Parks & Recreation Impact Fees
- Discuss & consider approval of Equipment (Vehicles) Lease/Purchase Agreement with Zions Bank
- Consider approval of new ambulance medical billing agreement

City Council October 20, 2016

- (Unknown at this time)

WHAT'S GOING ON?

Old Highway 91 Reconstruction: Over the past month, the bollards and street lights have been installed. Landscaping will soon begin, finishing off the project.

Cliffrose 2 Million Gallon Tank: The City plans to replace the existing 1 million gallon steel tank located near Cliffrose Drive in Taviawk with a 2 million gallon concrete tank. Bids from prequalified contractors were received in September. Construction is anticipated to start in November.

Kaventa Debris Basins: The City has received a \$1.5 million federal grant for emergency watershed protection work due to flooding that occurred in 2014. The project is anticipated to start construction in November/December.

Storm Drain Improvements: The City is coordinating the design of multiple storm drain projects on the west side of Ivins that will mitigate and reduce risk for flooding. The projects are currently under design with plans to be in place prior to the monsoon season next year.

Rocky Vista University:

Steel is falling into place at Rocky Vista University. The steel in phase one is erect and the fabrication company has started on phase two of this three phase construction plan.

East of Rocky Vista's main building, two of the student housing buildings are under construction. The footings are poured and the plumbing contractor is working on the underground.



Sentierre Resort: Phase 1 grade was completed and the resort has started to install underground utilities including water, sewer, gas, power, and storm drains.

Desert Rose Park: Dirt is being hauled into the park to fill in the low areas and to get ready to put in the landscape. Staff is working on a plant and material list so that we

can get started on the landscape. We plan to work from the east to the west finishing the landscape as the other amenities (pickleball courts, pavilion, playground, etc.) are completed. We hope to begin installing the irrigation system and plants by mid October. Once the bids are in for the pickleball courts we will know when that will begin. The bid opening is scheduled for October 12.

FALL BURN SEASON - NOW OPEN

It's the time of year where the burn season opens back up. The current burn season for Ivins City is **September 15th through November 15th**. This gives residents the opportunity to apply for a burn permit for their property. Each year we have fires escape the controlled burn and cause property damage. A few reminders to keep in mind for the burn season and when conducting a burn.

- Do not leave a fire unattended at any time. Even if it is only smoldering or smoking, do not walk away from the fire without making sure it is fully extinguished.
- Do not begin a burn until you have received approval. This can be done by contacting the Fire Dispatch at 435-627-4949, or the Ivins Fire Department at 435-674-5503
- Do not burn tires, trash, chemicals, biohazards, etc. This is illegal and the burn season is for yard/plant debris and not for trash of any type.
- Do not burn next to homes, fences, or any type of structure.
- Have an adequate water supply nearby with enough flow to extinguish the fire should it escape or grow too large
- Do not let the fire grow too big. Keep it manageable and safe

When in doubt, put it out! Be considerate of the neighbors and the community



School Updates

Vista School

Sam Gibbs - Principal

Last month Vista was able to enjoy an assembly provided by Tuacahn Center for the Arts. Many of Vista's own are part of the shows this season. Two of our music teachers play in the pit orchestra and our theater tech teacher helped build some of the props/set. Vista's orchestra, under the direction of their teacher, Juilliard trained Mrs. Deluca, was invited to perform at the Utah State Capitol Building's Centennial Celebration. Many of Vista's performing groups were able to perform at various community events during the month of September. This month Student Council's kindness theme is "Pass It On." Students will pass around a kindness token as they do kind things for each other. The school's coding, math, and Shakespeare teams are busy preparing for upcoming competitions. Vista's college/career focus, and fun for the month will be learning about "scary" careers and careers on wheels. We encourage families to help their children make a list of things that they like to do and then learn about a career involving that favorite thing. If they like to collect bugs, maybe they could be an Entomologist! To learn more about Vista School please visit www.vistautah.com, or call 673-4110.

Red Mountain Elementary

Amy Mitchell - Principal

We had a fantastic turnout for our Watch D.O.G.S. pizza night in September! Dads and father figures - remember to sign up for your Watch D.O.G.S. day at rmes.washk12.org. We love having you in our school!

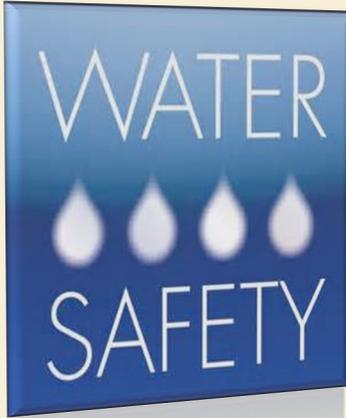
We were thrilled to host Green Beret and former Texas Longhorn/Seattle Seahawks long snapper Nate Boyer at an assembly on September 9th. Thank you to the Veterans Home for sharing him with our school. He reminded us that we can do hard things. What a great example for our students!

October will bring an art career presentation for our 4th and 5th grade students as well as a ballroom dancing assembly from ten time state champs Provo High School. We will also begin our after-school program focusing on helping students master essential skills.

PTO Meeting October 6th @ 9:15 a.m.

CROSS-CONNECTIONS ARE DANGEROUS TO OUR DRINKING WATER SYSTEM

Ivins City Public Works



As the operator of the Ivins City water system, it is our responsibility to create awareness of the dangers of cross-connections. Let's first define it: A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between a safe drinking water supply and a source of contamination or pollution.

The most dangerous of cross-connections are ones where a person has configured their irrigation system to be connected to the potable water system and the irrigation company water system at the same time without proper backflow prevention devices. If you are reading this and think you have this type of cross-connection installed, please call us and we can send a certified backflow technician to look at your setup and tell you if your setup is illegal or not. We will not start an enforcement action if you invite us to look at your setup and help you get a legal setup.

Even if you are not connected to the irrigation company system, you may still have a potential for a cross-connection. If there were a water main break or some other shock to the water system, there is a possibility for the system to create suction and so we must eliminate the risk of sucking in contaminated water into the system. The most common problems in a home are the connection of hoses or other devices to hose bibs that are not

protected by a hose bib vacuum breaker, and the use of yard hose connections that have a drain hole underground. Most homes can be adequately protected by applying an approved vacuum breaker on all hose bibs and through the installation of an anti-siphon flush valve.

Hoses left submerged in swimming pools, kitchen sinks, bathtubs, animal watering troughs, or having chemical sprayers attached to them while weed-killing are conditions that can be extremely hazardous. Other potential hazards can apply if hoses are left lying on the ground where contaminants such as fertilizer, garden chemicals, or other liquids can be siphoned into the hose and into the home.

Frost proof yard hydrants drain into the ground when turned off. The drain hole underground could allow contaminated groundwater to be siphoned into the home. An approved backflow device installed on the line feeding the hydrants will provide adequate protection but is expensive. An alternative is to just plug the hole or pipe the drain to daylight.

All inside and outside hose bibs except those on dishwashers and washing machines will require vacuum breakers. Vacuum breakers may prevent hose bibs and frost proof yard hydrants from draining. Please read manufactures recommendations for winter draining or purchase the frost-proof type that self-drain.

Please feel free to contact Public Works, 435-634-0689 if you would like to have a specialist come review your home setup.

HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Washington County Solid Waste

Event: HHW Collection Day
Cost: Free (Wash. Co. Residents)
Date: November 5, 2016
 Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm
Location: Washington. Co. Landfill
 330 N Landfill Rd, Washington, UT 84780

This is free of charge for any resident of Washington County. If a commercial business is interested in participating, please contact Neil at 435-673-2813.

Items Accepted

Aerosol Cans	Medical Waste	Pesticides
Car Batteries	Oil	Propane
Fluorescent Light Bulbs	Paint	Rechargeable Batteries
Fuel	Paint Thinners	Tires
Herbicides	Paint Supplies (Other)	



WCSW encourages residents to take advantage of this opportunity to remove this material conveniently from their homes. Residents may bring in their hazardous material to the Landfill to be disposed of properly or recycled.

BE PREPARED FOR STORMY WEATHER

Rocky Mountain Power

Before the storm season hits, Rocky Mountain Power prepares equipment and crews so they can get power back on as quickly and safely as possible if there's an outage. Make sure your business is ready in case of an unexpected power outage.

Tips to help you prepare

- Mark the location of electrical supply panels and note how to turn off power.
- Label equipment power switches to find them more easily during an outage.
- Plug computers into surge protectors and install automatic backup programs.
- If you use a cash register, have a calculator or non-electrical option on hand.
- Consider buying and installing a backup generator for critical equipment.
- Keep emergency lighting in working order.
- Put together an outage kit with flashlights, radios, food and water.

What to do in an outage

To report an outage or receive an outage update, call toll free at 1-877-508-5088. Stay away from any downed power lines – call 911 immediately.



Stay connected

Social networks are a reliable and quick way to get news and communicate during a power outage or emergency. Follow Rocky Mountain

Power on Twitter, @RMP_Utah, and on facebook.com/rockymountainpower for large or extended outage updates.

Learn more at rockymountainpower.net/outage.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Benny Sorensen, Parks Director

All of us here at the Parks & Recreation Department want to express our thanks to the many volunteers who help all year long to make our programs fun and enjoyable! Throughout the year we have 40 to 50 volunteer coaches who give many hours of their valuable time to work with our youth to teach them good sportsmanship and how to play basketball, baseball or flag football. We have others who volunteer to help at special events to hand water out at a running event, help with the Easter egg hunt, Heritage Days Parade, Soap Box Derby, games, horse rides and serve as committee members for Heritage Days. All of these volunteers help to make life better in Ivins and we sincerely thank all of you!

IVINS 2016 HERITAGE DAYS - WAS A BIG SUCCESS!!!



2017 Co-ed Youth Basketball Registration Begins in October

1st & 2nd Grade Division - Play Thursday Evenings

3rd & 4th Grade Division - Play Tuesday Evenings

Registration begins: October 1

Registration ends: November 18

Registration Fee: \$26.00

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.



Both 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!

Games are held at Lava Ridge Intermediate School.

Volunteer Coaches Needed!

We would like to have all coaches selected before November 1 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, we will issue refunds to those players who registered last.

Special Requests: There is no guarantee that your child will be placed on the team that you requested, however, we will do our best to honor special requests for those who are registered before November 1st! **No special requests can be made after October 31.**

Sign up at the Ivins City office! (55 North Main) or online at www.ivins.com
For more information call the Parks & Recreation Department, 435-634-0689



**GREETINGS FROM THE IVINS ANIMAL SHELTER
ADOPTION CENTER**

Ivins No Kill Animal Shelter enjoyed taking part in Ivins' Heritage Days and in Santa Clara's Swiss Days. We enjoyed celebrating with both of our communities by taking part in each city's parade. It was a great success for the cities and the shelter. Our support groups, Friends of Ivins Animal Shelter (FIAS) and Ivins No Kill Animal Supporters (INKAS), made a presence and received great support from the community.



Our shelter has been busy the last month with stray dogs and kittens. We encourage you to get your dog license so that Animal Control can promptly unite you with your dog. Visit Ivins City at 55 N Main with your dog's most recent rabies certificate. The cost is \$10 per year for unaltered dogs, and \$5 per year for altered dogs.

There are currently several dogs and cats of all ages and sizes available for adoption at the shelter. We encourage families who are thinking of adopting a pet to consider Ivins No Kill Animal Shelter. Our animals would love to find themselves in a loving family.

Ivins Animal Shelter wants to thank all the volunteers that continue to support the shelter and animals. The shelter could not run as smoothly without all the volunteer hours given. We also want to thank those who continue to give donations of cat and dog food as well. Supplying the shelter with donated food allows us to put funds to other things like spay and neuter.

Where to Meet the Pets:

Ivins Animal Shelter and Adoption Center
474 North 200 West, Ivins, 435-628-1049

Hours: Monday & Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



**GREETINGS FROM
INKAS - IVINS NO KILL ANIMAL SUPPORTERS
Sara Dupre, Secretary**

You may be too young to remember the original Star Trek. There was an episode called The Trouble with Tribbles. These little creatures got aboard the Enterprise and started reproducing exponentially. The same thing is happening in our community with cats and dogs that are not fixed. One un-spayed female cat and her offspring can produce 4,948 kittens in 7 years. 508 puppies can be born from one un-spayed female dog and her offspring in 7 years. You can quickly see how animal shelters become filled with unwanted pets.

Best Friends recommends fixing cats at 4 months and dogs at 6 months. Area veterinarians suggest 6 months, only if you are certain of the age of the animal since they become mature at 6 months for reproduction.

Best Friends provides a walk in first come first serve spay/neuter program for low income families as well as low cost scheduled appointments. Call 435-644-2001 for more information. The St George area veterinary clinics prices vary. PAWS of St George offers a low cost spay/neuter program. For low income families the cost is even lower. Call PAWS at 435-688-9748 for more information.

Spaying and neutering is the best gift you can give your pet, family, neighbors and community. It helps prevent medical and behavioral problems. And you only have to do it once!

INKAS "Mutts & Music" fundraiser in August was a huge success thanks to the support of our wonderful community. We would like to extend a grateful THANK YOU! to Tuacahn and Harmon's for their support with this event. Harmon's has also been generous with discounts on food for the shelter's kittens and cats. A big Thank You! to grocery manager, Kyle Phillips.

Contact the Ivins Animal Shelter at 435-628-1049 for questions and to inquire about adoptions and donation needs.

INKAS at INKAS4pets@gmail.com INKAS President Connie Butterfield at 435-817-1616 for any questions and information

**Upcoming
Dumpster Date**

This month's dumpster date will be held on:

**Saturday,
October 15th**

Dumpsters are located just east of the cemetery. They are available on a first come first serve basis beginning at 8:00 a.m. and close by 3:00 p.m. or once full.

**BLUCAN
Recycling Days**

**October 3th
October 17th**

For more information go to blucan.org



Dixie Clean Storm Water Coalition
St. George, Washington, Santa Clara, Ivins

**Pollution Prevention
Hotline:
(435) 627-4020**

Many of us mow our lawns and we always want things to look neat and clean. When you cut your grass don't leave the clippings out in the street to be "washed down the drain" as it does not go to a treatment plant. Please keep the clippings out of the storm drain by having the mower blow the clippings up onto the lawn. Use a broom, rake or leaf blower if necessary to clean the street after mowing. Remember Only Rain In The Drain!! Brought to you by the Dixie Clean Storm Water Coalition.

For more information go to www.sgcity.org/stormwater/