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On August 23, 1939, Fruit Heights City established itself as one of Davis County's newest towns. From its humble beginnings, the town of Fruit Heights has grown and developed into a City of nearly 6,000 residents. A lot has changed over the last 80 years and it's certain that change can be expected as we look toward the future.

Today, many of us are preparing for significant changes that will affect the City as a whole. It's also known that several residents have already felt the effects of the HWY-89 project as UDOT has begun preparing for its expansion. Within the next few weeks, utilities along the east and west sides of the Highway will be relocated in preparation for the project. Everyone should plan for disruptions and detours as we commute in and out of the City. To help keep people informed and up to date on the project, UDOT has prepared several ways for people to obtain valuable information as it relates to the project and the project timeline. The City is encouraging all residents to take the time to get familiar with and informed about this project by visiting the projects website and/or by visiting or calling the following links or phone numbers.

- ◆ **Hotline: 888-752-8789**
- ◆ **Email: us89@utah.gov**
- ◆ **Website: www.udot.utah.gov/US89**
- ◆ **Facebook: U.S. 89: Farmington to I-84 Project**

Additionally, on February 11th at 6:00 pm, Fruit Heights City has requested an informational meeting with UDOT to communicate the construction schedule and plans for the project before they begin breaking ground. This meeting will be held at the City Office for City residents who live near the 400 North Interchange. Representatives from Oak Hills Contractors and UDOT will be prepared with information related to a construction schedule and timeline, traffic routes, road closures, and/or road detours associated with this portion of the project. Residents will also have an opportunity to ask questions about the 400 North phase of the HWY-89 project. Please note, this meeting will be centered around the 400 North Interchange. A second meeting will be scheduled for a later date with residents near the Nicholls Road and Lloyd Road/Main Street sections of the project. You will also be able to view details of the project and ask questions. So that the City can reach as many residents as possible, we are asking that you participate in the City's Facebook, Twitter and Website. These sites are where important information, details and meeting dates will be shared with you, the residents. Please take the time to "like", "join", or follow us on those sites listed below.

- ◆ **www.fruitheightscity.com**
- ◆ **Facebook: Fruit Heights City**
- ◆ **Twitter: @FruitHeightsCityGov**

The City has set a goal to improve communication to its residents. If you have some constructive suggestions on how the City can improve, please share them with us. Through improved communication, the City hopes to reduce the confusion and frustration that can be caused through a lack of communicating. We appreciate and respect the residents of Fruit Heights City and are hopeful that we can work together to reduce and minimize the challenges that we all face as this project begins.

With respect and appreciation for you, the residents.
Fruit Heights City

CITY COUNCIL

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8 a.m.—5 p.m. Mon.—Fri. Phone:

801-546-0861. **After hours emergency call the Sheriff's Dept. 801-**

451-4150, they will call our Public

Works representative.



City Hall will be closed Monday, February 17th in recognition of Presidents' Day.

SPRING WATER RUN-OFF

Since the wildfire last summer and the amount of saturation the mountains have received this winter, there are some concerns about runoff and possible debris flows associated with the spring runoff.

At this time we are asking all residents to be watchful and mindful of the weather conditions as we approach those months when the temperatures begin to warm.

In the upcoming weeks the City will make available some sand and sand bags for emergencies. More information will be made available on the City's website and through social media.



CERT TRAINING

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course begins Thursday, January 23rd, at 7 pm in the basement of the Fruit Heights City offices, 910 South Mountain Road. The course will continue for eight consecutive Thursdays and conclude with a practical exercise.

CERT is a national program designed to engage everyone to make their community safer, more prepared, and more resilient when critical incidents occur. The course offers instruction in Emergency Preparedness, Fire Safety, Disaster Medical Operations, Light Search and Rescue Operations, Team Organization, Disaster Psychology, and Terrorism Awareness.

There is a \$25.00 registration fee that covers the cost of instruction, the student manual, and necessary CERT response personal protective equipment. Please contact Loretta Cole, Course Manager, 801 721-9993 or Bob Fowler, District 7 CERT Coordinator, 801 712-0248.

PAPERLESS BILLS

A minimal processing fee will be assessed for paper bills in 2020. To avoid this fee you can sign up for paperless bills on your Xpress Bill Pay (www.xpressbillpay.com) account or you can call City Hall for assistance. 801-546-0861 X-8. This does not require you to make a change in the way you make your payment.

REMINDER: November 1st through April 1st, overnight parking is prohibited on streets from 12:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m. and during times of snowfall. Please tell guests/renters. Also remove trash cans from street promptly for our snowplows to do their best to keep roads clear.

Benchland Water, the supplier for secondary water to the southeast portion of Fruit Heights City will be increasing their water user fees for the coming water year. The rates for all of their residential users will increase by \$82.00 per year, or \$13.67 per month for the 6 months of water use. The increase is necessitated by, but not limited to, the following reasons:

- Water Cost
- Increase Demand for Water
- State Mandates
- Operating Costs

Please visit www.benchlandwater.com for more information.

Last September, the hillside east of Fruit Heights caught fire. Many watched as the fire raced north toward the hidden landmark that so many have come to love and appreciate during a few weeks around the Holiday Season.

Local Author, Willie Dunford, has written a children's story entitled "**Keeper of the Star**". In the story we are reminded that miracles happen as residents came together on that warm fall evening in September.

Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of "Keeper of the Star" can email Willie Dunford; sunseeker142@gmail.com.

GREEN WASTE BEGINS IN APRIL



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Your green waste receptacle can be used the first waste pick-up in April. Please remember to use the green can for lawn trimmings, small branches and leaves only. Do not contaminate with regular trash or plastic bagged lawn trimmings.

SPRING CLEAN UP

Spring Clean up is scheduled for April 17th—27th. Green Waste Vouchers will be available for pick up beginning Monday, April 6th at the City Office.

TRASH CAN NUMBER

Inevitably trash cans will be blown away and get mixed up. Each home has at least one regular trash can. We are asking our residents to record the number on their cans so they can identify them if they get lost.



COME HUNT EGGS FOR EASTER!

The Youth City Council will be hosting our annual Easter Egg Hunt! Children ages 2-12 years old are welcome. Come join the fun Saturday, April 11th at Fruit Heights' Harvey Park (City Hall) at 10:00 a.m. Bring a basket for your children to use to collect eggs. In case of inclement weather, the hunt will be held Monday, April 13th at 4 p.m.



Happy Valentine's Day