



A Note from the New Mayor



On behalf of our entire community I would like to say a hearty “thank you” to Mayor Chad Bangarter and Council Members Ricky Carlson and Brent Andrews. We appreciate your dedication and service on our behalf.

I am looking forward with great anticipation to the upcoming New Year with all the challenges and opportunities for Sunset City. I have met individually with all of the Council Members and Department Heads and I believe that we have a City Council and staff that will forge ahead and be proactive in moving our City forward.

The state of our City rests on the historic strengths and new hopes, and we already have everything it takes to open the next chapter of Sunset City’s story. We can begin by adding a new year’s resolution of “Neighbors helping neighbors make Sunset City a beautiful place to live”. This is where it all starts. We are neighbors who want to make our City beautiful and that will take a community effort. Also, please do not hesitate to contact any of the City Council or me if you have any questions and/or concerns. Thank you all for your support and may you all have a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

Sincerely,

Mayor Beverly K. Macfarlane

Good-bye from Our Past Mayor



As of January 6, 2014 we usher in four years with Sunset’s new Mayor, Beverly Macfarlane. I would like to welcome her and Council Members Chris Hadley and Trystal Peay to their Offices.

This ends my four years as your Mayor. I want to express my warmest regards to each of you for your support. I am proud of what we have accomplished for the City and its citizens during the last four years. I believe the programs, management concepts, employee benefits and other innovations implemented have reflected improvement for the City and the tax payers.

I believe we have great employees and many good things are accomplished by them. The quality of service they provide to the City reflects pride and a high level of professionalism in which I have noted and praised them for. We are in good hands. Many thanks to them.

I would also like to acknowledge the great men and women of this City who have passed away. We live in the shadows of their hard work. I have sat in their chairs, walked in their foot steps and I respect their accomplishments.

As I leave Office after a total of ten years of service, eight as an Elected Official, I wish to thank and pay tribute to all those past and present who have worked with me to overcome the challenges we had to meet. It is not always easy and it certainly is not without some frustration. To those I have personally offended, I apologize. And to those who have heard things; don’t always believe what you hear. I have done what I thought was best at the time and offer no excuses.

To the new Officials, remember to be open to all that live here and vote for what is best for the majority, not only a few. I wish all the new Officials the best and especially say thanks to each of you again for your support and help. I wish the very best for you and your families.

Happy Journey in Life!

Sincerely,

Past-Mayor Chad Bangarter

A Message from the Fire Department



First, I would like to wish everyone a happy, prosperous, and safe New Year. This first newsletter of 2014 I thought would be a great time to introduce myself. My name is Breen Lowman and I am the new Fire Chief for Sunset Fire and Rescue. I became the Chief in August following Chief Neil Coker's retirement. I have been in the Fire Service since 1999 and started in Emergency Medical Services in 1989. I have lived in Northern Davis County for more than 14 years. My wife and I have been married for 23 years and have four children. I have worked for numerous types of departments and have gained experience at every level of the Fire Service. It was a surprise to me when Chief Coker announced he was leaving but my opportunities as a Fire Fighter and Fire Officer have prepared me for this responsibility. Chief Coker and others have left a strong legacy in our department and I am grateful for the opportunity to lead it into the future.

One of the first things I was able to do as the new Chief was promote Travis Carter to the position of Assistant Chief. Travis has been with Sunset Fire and Rescue since 2002 and brings a ton of experience to his new job. He and his wife, Spring, have been together for 16 years and they have three children. They have lived in Sunset for more than 13 years. Travis has also worked for multiple departments and has a long history with Sunset Fire and Rescue.

As a reminder, please keep an eye on the fire hydrants in front of your homes. It is important and safer for all of us to keep access open to all sides of the hydrant. This also means clearing the snow from around them.



As we continue to lead Sunset Fire and Rescue in a professional and positive direction we will strive to serve our citizens with excellence and compassion. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me. Fire Chief Breen Lowman 801-791-6577 or bdlowman@sunset-ut.com.

A Few Words from the Police Department



Now that winter is here the Police Department will be enforcing the following City Ordinances. Failure to comply with these ordinances could result in a misdemeanor citation being issued. If everyone will abide by these rules, it will help make our streets and sidewalks safer for everyone.

6-1-3: ALL NIGHT PARKING REGULATIONS:

No person shall park a vehicle on any street for a period of time longer than one hour between the hours of two o'clock (2:00) A.M. and seven o'clock (7:00) A.M. of any day, except physicians during emergency calls; and further provided, that any resident of the city may request permission for all night parking when the same is required by emergency or other unusual circumstances. The police department, for good cause shown, may grant such permission. The police department shall be the sole judge as to the necessity and requirements for the granting of such permission.

7-2-2: PROHIBITED ACTS:

C. Unlawful Deposit Of Snow Or Other Material On City Streets: It shall be unlawful for any person removing snow from a sidewalk or driveway leading from a business or residence to deposit said snow or other material in a street maintained and plowed for purposes of snow removal by the city.

7-2-6: REMOVAL OF WEEDS, VEGETATION AND OTHER OBSTRUCTIONS:

It shall be the duty of the owner or occupant of any private property fronting a public sidewalk to remove all weeds and noxious vegetation from such property and in front thereof to the curb line of the street and to keep the sidewalks in front of such property free from litter, snow, ice or obstructions. Snow and ice shall be removed from the sidewalks within twenty four (24) hours after a storm.

Public Works

Winter time is upon us. Just a couple reminders about the cold weather. Make sure any outside hoses have been disconnected from your hose bibs. Water in the hose will prevent your tap from draining properly, which may cause your tap to freeze and break. Did you shut off your sprinkler system for the winter? It is surprising how many times we have heard, "I have never had to worry about that in the past," as water is shooting out all over. On extremely cold days when temperatures never get above freezing and nighttime dips into the teens or lower, we strongly recommend that you leave a small trickle of water running inside the house to prevent freeze ups. Especially if you know that you have had problems in the past.



Snow removal is a headache for everyone. Please remember that it is unlawful for you to put snow that falls on your property onto someone else's, including the road or sidewalk. Sunset City has always done a pretty good job at providing safe accessible roads during storms. Your help is always appreciated. Try to not leave your vehicles on the street any more than is necessary. Most of our streets are pretty narrow and when we get too many cars on the streets it makes it very difficult to remove the snow safely and effectively. On trash days please take your empty cans in as soon as possible. They also make it difficult to remove snow effectively. Over all, Sunset has great residents and we really appreciate the support and help you give. Sometimes we just need friendly reminders. Remember, depending on where you live, the snow plow will go by at least twice and on main roads as many as 4 to 6 times. Please be patient as we try to keep our roads safe and accessible.

All water meters are now read by radio, so we can read your meter even when it has a foot of snow over it. This also means that all water meters are read every month of the year.

Recreation

Sunset Sam - This year we will be holding our winter celebration "Sunset Sam's Winter Fest" on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at 12:00 noon. You may notice this is not on Ground Hog Day. Unfortunately, Sunset Sam has passed on. We will still celebrate in his honor, only this year a little differently. Our celebration will be held at the Sunset City Building as in the past and we will continue the chili cook-off. In addition, there will be a contest for snow painting! Bring your family or come by yourself and show us your artistic side. Awards will be given for both the chili cook-off and for the snow painting.



Future events/activities

- Kids Club will begin in June. Watch for a flier coming home with you child from school.
- Sunset City Fun Days will be July 25-26, 2014. We are excited to have the carnival coming back again this year, along with all the other activities from previous years.

Business Licensing

Sunset Ordinance 3-1-2 requires everyone who engages in business within the City, whether temporary or permanent, to obtain a business license. Please be aware that you are also required to obtain a business license if you sell 2 or more vehicles, boats, motorcycles, trailers, mobile homes, camper shells or a combination thereof within any 12 month period. Business license renewals are due December 31st.

In order to rent any residential property in Sunset, owners must have a business license from the City. This includes single and double family dwellings. The fee for the business license is to cover the additional costs for Police, Fire/EMS and Utility services. However, Sunset has also adopted a Better Landlord Program and Landlords who participate will earn discounted licensing fees by completing a training course, agreeing to run background checks, refusing to rent to applicants with certain criminal backgrounds, evicting tenants who commit crime or cause problems in the community and keeping their properties in compliance with State and City Codes.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Hale, 801-614-9103. To see the ordinance in its entirety, please come into the office or visit the City website at www.sunset-ut.com.

Utility Fees

Sunset City would like to make you aware that the North Davis Sewer District sewer fees will increase \$3.00 per connection effective July 2014. If you have any questions you may contact the Sewer District at 801-825-0712.

Davis County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

Davis County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) assists individuals aged 55+ with volunteer placement throughout Davis County. Volunteers with RSVP enjoy the added benefits of supplemental insurance coverage while traveling to and from their chosen assignment and during service time, recognition for their contributions, a small mileage reimbursement to help defray the cost of traveling to volunteer, and demonstrated impact that their service time makes in the community. A few of the current opportunities through RSVP are listed here.

CARING CALLERS contact homebound and/or frail individuals by telephone for social interaction.

SENIOR MEDICARE PATROL volunteers assist those on Medicare to understand the billings and prevent, detect, and report health care fraud.

Visit our website at www.daviscountyutah.gov/rsvp for more information on these or 20 additional opportunities in Davis County. Call (801) 525-5094 today or email vbowman@daviscountyutah.gov. Our office is located in the North Davis Senior Activity Center, 42 S. State St., Clearfield. We would love to meet with you personally!

New Businesses

Affordable Loans – 2275 N. Main, 801-560-0991, title loans

Braithwaite Fine Art & Custom Frames, LLC – 461 W. 1800 N., 801-725-5136, fine art & custom framing

D'Tails Pet Grooming – 2465 N. Main, #8, 801-825-1739, pet grooming for cats and dogs

R.I.T.E.S., Inc. – 2465 N. Main, #2A, 801-499-3882, disability services for adults and children

Rescued Treasures – 1691 N. Main, #2, 801-499-9117, thrift store

Straightline Painting & Home Improvement – home occupation, 801-603-5758, general home improvements

Titans Doggy Day Care – 2029 N. Main, Bldg. 2, 801-807-8291, provide free roam, play time day care and overnight boarding for dogs

Trustworthy Cleaning, LLC – home occupation, 801-710-5056, cleaning homes, offices and new construction

Watch for a complete business list in the next newsletter!

Sunset City: 801-825-1628

Hours: 9 am to 5 pm

Police: 801-825-1620

Hours: 8 am to 5 pm

Emergency: 911

Court: 801-825-3303

Clerk Hours: 9 am to 5 pm

(Court is held on Thursdays – 1 pm to 5 pm and phones will not be answered during that time)

Council Meetings

1st & 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 pm

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