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Meeting Schedule

5:30 p.m.

Ivins City Hall, 85 N Main

Planning Commission

July 30, 2024

August 13, 2024

City Council

August 1, 2024

August 15, 2024

Arts Commission (5:00 p.m.)

August 14, 2024

Blucan Dates: August 12, 26

Dumpster Date: August 3, 24





HERITAGE DAYS 2024



Ivins City Heritage Park
100N 100W Ivins, UT

Thursday September 5th
5pm-10pm

3on3 YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
UNITY Park Basketball Courts
400S 400W Ivins, UT

Friday September 6th
5pm-8pm

**LIVE LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT
VENDOR BOOTHS
ART EXHIBIT
CLIMB WALL
INFLATABLES
FAMILY GAMES
BINGO**

Learn more and sign up to get involved at
ivinsutah.gov/heritage-days



Saturday September 7th
9am-2pm & 7pm-9pm

**LIVE LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT
PARADE
PIE BAKING CONTEST
CHILDREN'S GAMES
OLD FASHIONED GAMES
HOME DEPOT CRAFT
PONY RIDES
CLIMB WALL
INFLATABLES
ART EXHIBIT
VENDOR BOOTHS
PUBLIC SAFETY OPEN HOUSE
FIRE DEPARTMENT TOURS
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FREE SWIM for Ivins Residents
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A HEALTHY COMMUNITY

ARTICLE BY: CHRIS HART, MAYOR



I've spoken with enough of you to know that I'm not the only one who senses an almost mystical health promoting quality about the place where we live. I recognized it the first time I drove into town over twenty five years ago and many of you did too. It's the reason a lot of us moved here. It's more than just the beautiful surroundings and warm climate, it's a stimulating allure that draws us into the great outdoors to enjoy whatever recreational activity that appeals to us.

The loss of one's good health is the greatest of all losses. It's worth every effort to preserve it and I witness so many of you doing whatever you can to ensure that you retain it for as long as possible. I would unhesitatingly declare that Ivins is a healthy place to live. Four years ago the State of Utah launched its Healthy Utah campaign, inviting cities and towns across the State to adopt certain health promoting standards to qualify for its newly created "Healthy Community" designation. Over fifty communities have done that already, and since we already are one, we too have submitted our application to join them.

There are a variety of programs that a community like ours can commit to, in order to qualify for the three year designation, ranging from promoting active lifestyles or good mental health, to expanding related city infrastructure and programs to advancing healthy eating options and better nutrition. One of the preliminary requirements is that we create a community health coalition. Thanks to the efforts of Councilmember Mike Scott, the Healthy Ivins Coalition now exists and he has submitted the application to the State for approval.

Members of the Coalition represent a cross section of specialists in health related fields. Craig Shanklin serves as the Coalition Chair. He is a former senior healthcare executive and a member of the Healthy Dixie Council, the St. George Active Transportation Committee and the Southern Utah Bicycle Alliance (SUBA); The Coalition members include Marc Christensen, Ivins Parks & Recreation Department Director; Dr. Laura Rosch, Rocky Vista University Campus Dean and Associate Professor of Internal Medicine; Jamy Dahle, Director of Counseling and Health Promotion Services at the Booth Wellness Center at Utah Tech University; David Hatch, a former executive in corporate, and agricultural risk management, services & policy setting including the USDA and the Organization of American States; Nathan Lefevor, Rocky Vista University Senior Director of Clinical Operations; Kristi Sharp, Health Promotions Program Manager, Southwest Utah Public Health Department; and Tanya Wambold, Santa Clara/ Ivins Public Safety Department Victims Advocate Coordinator. We are honored to have this stellar group of Coalition members supporting healthy Ivins effort in our city.

Since we were already overqualified we likely had to dig a little deeper than most to come up with a list of goals for the next three years to gauge our progress. Those that the Coalition selected are:

- Fill in the remaining active transportation (trail system) connectivity gaps between key destinations.
- Complete the new walking & biking trail along Highway 91 to Fire Lake Park.
- In conjunction with Rocky Vista University launch a healthy eating information campaign with monthly articles in the city Newsletter also focusing on active living and good mental health.

A HEALTHY COMMUNITY

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- Get the word out that residents can keep chickens in their backyards where HOA CC&Rs allow it.
- Support the Ivins Emergency Preparedness Committee in providing seminars on gardening and food & water storage also to include organizing an information booth to cover health related topics at our Heritage Days celebration.
- Provide additional services to our Law Enforcement personnel to ensure their continued good mental health and emotional well-being.
- Support the Victim's Advocacy program administered through our Law Enforcement Department and increase community awareness of mental health hotlines and other support programs.

We'll know in September if our application was approved and the Healthy Community designation granted and we'll certainly let you know. In the meantime please accept the personal challenge to find a few additional ways to improve your own health and well-being. There are so many opportunities right under our noses to exercise and recreate, to grow some of our own food and to learn to eat well, and to make new friends and enjoy the added emotional support that brings by interacting with others in our community. Marc Christensen and Sarah Nash in our Parks & Recreation Department focus much of their attention on providing those opportunities and they are published on our city website and advertised regularly in our newsletters and on banners attached to the wayfinding signs at the entrances to the city.

AUGUST AGENDA ITEMS

The following are some of the topics that may be discussed at the August Planning Commission and City Council meetings. This is not a complete list and the complete agendas will be posted on the website, www.ivinsutah.gov, a few 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 agenda items on the Planning Commission, please call or email Sharon Allen at 435-628-0606 or sallene@ivinsutah.gov. If you have questions regarding agenda items on the City Council, please call or email Kari D. Jimenez at 435-628-0606 or kjimenez@ivinsutah.gov.

Planning Commission, July 30, 2024

- Discuss & consider approval of Moenkopi Trails Preliminary Plan, located at approximately 300 North Sage Way.
- Discuss Resort Commercial and Resort Mixed Use.

Planning Commission, August 13, 2024

- (Nothing currently scheduled)

City Council, August 1, 2024

- Discuss & consider compliance with Conditional Use Permit for Hidden Springs RV Resort.
- Discuss & consider approval of corrected Interlocal Agreement with Washington County for Animal Shelter Services.
- Discuss & consider amending Purchase Order Authorization Amounts.
- Discuss & consider approval of Municipal Wastewater Planning Program (MWPP) Annual Report for Year Ending 2023.
- Continued discussion regarding updating the General Plan.

City Council, August 15, 2024

- Continued discussion regarding updating the General Plan.

Mental Health Matters



THE HEALTHY IVINS COALITION

Did you know?

Utah has a higher than average rating for poor mental health compared to other states. While many preventive services are being implemented, 26% of Utahns reported having a mental health disorder and on average 670 Utahns die by suicide every year.

Mental health has often been something whispered about, or not even discussed. We need to remember how important our mental health is to our overall health. Stop the silence - notice changes in behavior, reach out and ask for help.

Tips

- Say 'no'
- Ask for help
- Eat healthy
- Limit screen time
- Practice gratitude
- Get adequate sleep
- Connect with others
- Engage in physical activity



Resources

- 988
- Safe UT App
- IHC Access Center
- SWBH Receiving Center
- The Trevor Project
- Local Mental Health Providers

<https://liveonutah.org/resources/>

<https://reach4hopeutah.org>

HYDRATION

By Dr. Steven Harmon, Rocky Vista Health Center



Staying properly hydrated is essential for everyone, from seniors to young children. As we age, our sense of thirst diminishes, making it easier to become dehydrated without realizing it. For kids, staying hydrated is crucial for their growing bodies and active lifestyles.

Drinking adequate amounts of water supports vital bodily functions such as digestion, nutrient absorption, and maintaining energy levels. Everyone should aim to drink enough water to keep their urine light lemon yellow in color. This may typically be 8 glasses a day. But maybe more if they you are active or spending time outdoors in the hot southern Utah climate. If you are going outdoors remember to hydrate before leaving the house and take a water bottle with you to prevent dehydration.

Incorporating hydrating foods like cucumbers, watermelon, and oranges into the diet can also help. Setting reminders, and even flavoring water with a slice of lemon or lime can make it easier and more enjoyable to stay hydrated.

SCHOOL UPDATE

Red Mountain Elementary

Principal Jenny Leavitt

We are excited to welcome students back to our first day of school on Monday, August 12th. Our school starts at 8:55 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday. Students will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. on Fridays.

We look forward to partnering with the Boys and Girls Club this year to offer an after school program for our students.

If you have a kindergarten student or a student who will be new to us this year please go to the district website to get them registered. This will allow us to place them in a class and make sure you are getting all of the parent information that will be coming out for the new school year. Our office will be open weekdays 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. starting on Tuesday, July 30th. If your child is new to our school this year please bring in their birth certificate, immunization records, and two forms of address verification, after you have enrolled them online.

If you have a child attending our school please join our PTO Facebook page: Red Mountain Elementary PTO.

Upcoming Dates:

August 8: Back to School Open House and BBQ 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

August 12: First Day of School for all students K-5 - Kindergarten students will leave at 12:00 for the first week.

August 23 and 26: No School - Diagnostic Testing for students

September 2: Labor Day - No School

Vista School

Dr. Justin Blasko - Principal/Director

Vista School is ready to welcome students and their families to Back to School Night on Thurs Aug 8. School for Kindergarten through 9th grade begins on Monday August 12.

Vista's award winning Advanced Orchestra will be performing at Ivins' Heritage Day.

Many exciting educational opportunities await Vista students in and out of the classroom in this upcoming year! For more information, go to www.vistautah.com.



PUBLIC WORKS



Ivins City has recently acquired some new communication tools that will enhance our ability to communicate with you. Our new software, called Yoppify, identifies the customers that can be reached through texting, email, phone calls, or finally postcards when all else fails. This multi-channel capability ensures that if we need to get vital information out to the public, that the message will get through and help the city conserve resources in doing so.

We intend to use this tool wisely and selectively to ensure that it does not become a nuisance as are many of the communications that we receive these days. We intend to use it specifically for updates on road closures, service disruptions, water conservation efforts, and other critical information pushes that may be needed.

This tool may also be most useful for emergency type notifications, such as a boil water advisory, abrupt service outages, emergency situations or other public safety related notifications.

This tool is available to us because of a grant provided by the State of Utah Division of Water Resources and the Washington County Water Conservancy District. They are supporting this because it will be an effective tool to help us provide notices to users to help everyone be more water smart and conserve water.

One of the ways that we can improve the selectiveness of our communications is that it provides us mapping tools so that we can limit the notices to specific affected geographical areas. The idea is to get the right information to the right people in the timeliest manner.

For this tool to be optimized, it is important for us to have the correct information and your preferred method of communication. You can provide this to us by going to ivinsutah.gov and clicking on the information symbol that has an "i" surrounded by a blue circle or the banner labeled "Stay Connected".

If you click on this web app, it will bring up some options for you. One is to update your contact information. There are also notices of recent publications and upcoming events.

In the coming weeks, we will be sending out our first notification which will ask you to submit to us your preferred method of communication.

Finally, please be aware that Ivins City will not be sending any text messages or emails that are requesting you provide personal information except for maybe phone numbers and emails. If you see any of these types of communications, it is most likely a scam. If you are unsure, feel free to just contact us by phone at 435-628-0606 and verify.

WATER WISDOM

Help the City reach its goal to reduce water use by 10% over the next 10 years.

Outdoor Tip: Adjust your mower to a higher setting. A taller lawn provides shade to the roots and helps retain moisture, so your lawn requires less water.

Indoor Tip: Use high efficiency toilets. Replace older ones with new ones. They really do work!

For more tips go to:
Slowtheflow.org



SAVE THE DATE

COYOTE TALES

NEXT EVENT:

September 7, 2024

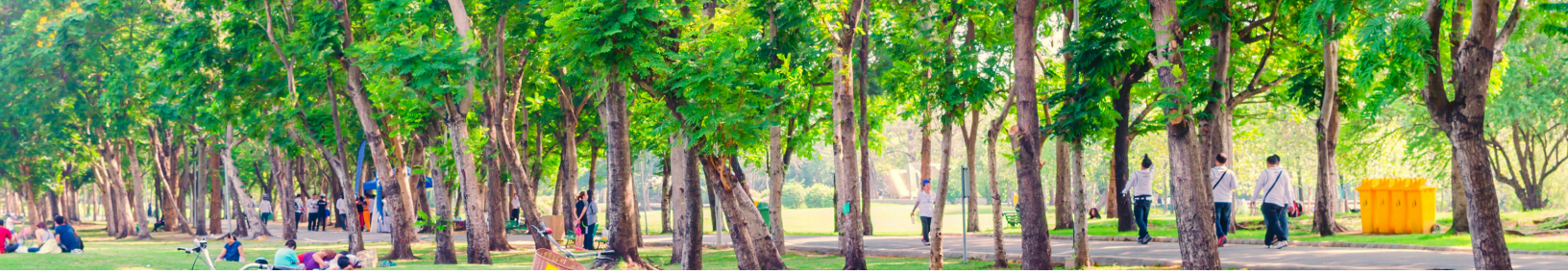
THEME:

FIRST

The evening begins with a BYOP (bring your own picnic) pre-party with great Stillhouse Road Bluegrass music where potential storytellers put their name in the hat with the hope of being chosen to share their tale on stage. Kayenta Homes and Properties will be hosting the upscale water trough providing FREE beverages and cookies for story lovers. Everyone is welcome! Pre-party starts at 7:00. Stories start at sundown.

THIS EVENT IS FREE!
Ivins Heritage Park

Prepare a 5-minute story about your maiden voyage into uncharted territory. Tell us about your first standing ovation, miserable failure, kiss, crisis of conscience, job, pet, trip overseas, grandchild or fistfight. Do you have a story about a grand opening, birth order, wild initiations or a milestone reached? Do tell.



PARKS & RECREATION

BY MARC CHRISTENSEN & SARAH NASH

A Message from Your New Parks and Recreation Director

My name is Marc Christensen and I am thrilled to join Ivins City as your Parks and Recreation Director. With over 15 years of experience as a Parks and Recreation professional, I believe that everyone deserves the opportunity to enjoy their leisure time, and I am dedicated to ensuring our community has access to the best recreational activities and beautiful parks. Ivins is a wonderful place to live, and I am grateful for the chance to contribute to the quality of life here. Let's work together to make the most of our leisure time and continue to enjoy all that our great community has to offer.

Golf School

If you are excited to learn golf or get better at playing it, then we highly recommend enrolling in the Golf Institute of America's Golf School. Our summer venues are open to join. We are super happy and excited to announce our newest facility Green Spring Golf Course! Mr. Todd Meyer is the PGA Director of Instruction. Classes start on August 5 and 8th. Also, we are starting classes in August at Big Shots and The Hive. For more information, go to WWW.GOLFINSTITUTEOFAMERICA.COM

Upcoming /Current Registrations

Flag Football - Ages 6 to 12

Registration will open May 20th through August 9th for our youth flag football leagues! You can register online at ivins.recdesk.com or in person at City Hall (85 N Main St).

Registration Fee: \$30

Season begins mid-September - Games will be played on weekday evenings

The age divisions for this league will be as follows:

Ages - 6 to 8 Coed (Mondays & Wednesdays)

Ages - 9 to 12 Coed (Tuesdays & Thursdays)

Ages determined as of October 31, 2024

No teammate requests

Youth Volleyball

Join our youth volleyball program for kids grades 3rd-8th! (co-ed)

Fee: \$30 registration fee/participant

Location: Lava Ridge Intermediate School

When: Mondays from Sept 16-Oct 21

Registration closes August 8th.

Register online at ivins.recdesk.com or in person at City Hall

Upcoming Events

Family Movies in the Park

Friday evenings beginning August 2nd and continuing until August 23rd the Ivins City Park baseball field will again become an outdoor movie theater! We will be showing family features and it is free. Start time is approximately 8:30 p.m. (or when it is dark enough).

Please be kind and make sure everyone can enjoy the movie. If a family member does not want to watch the movie, please do not let them run around and disturb others who do. Please do not bring your pets with you to the movie.

August 2nd – Monsters Inc

August 9th – Secret Life of Pets

August 16th – Frozen II

August 23rd – Elemental





EXPLORE THE ARTS IN IVINS

WEBSITE:

<https://www.ivinsartscommission.com>

EMAIL:

ivinsartscommission@ivinsutah.gov

What About This Idea: Sponsor a Box?

The Ivins City Arts Commission wrapped three Rocky Mountain Power utility boxes last year with artwork by Ivins residents. They plan to continue this "It's a Wrap" project along the Ivins Arts Corridor from Center Street, to Tuacahn Drive and along Kwavasa to the Kayenta Art Village.

So, here's an idea. Why not let Ivins residents and HOAs sponsor boxes if they want to beautify our streetscape? Wouldn't it be wonderful if all the utility boxes in Ivins were converted into beautiful pieces of art?

This idea came to me when I drove home the other day into my subdivision. A couple of our HOAs residents spent time and money painting two utility boxes at the entrance. It's wonderful seeing citizen involvement and initiative to improve our community!



Wrapped utility box at Vista School

But there are problems we need to deal with. We need permission from Rocky Mountain Power. We need to ensure that whatever design for the boxes is appropriate. We need to be sure that we use vinyl approved materials that will not fade or chip, no paint. We need the Ivins Arts Commission to recommend any proposed "Sponsored" project to the City Council. And the City Council needs to approve the proposed artwork.

Yes, this is a lot more complicated than just going out there and doing it. But we can make the process relatively painless if residents are excited about this idea.

If you think this is a good idea and you, your HOA or business would like to "Sponsor a Box" please contact Daphne Schroth, Chair of our Ivins City Arts Commission at dschroth@ivinsutah.gov. Tell her what box or boxes you want to sponsor and the Ivins Art Commission will guide you through the process. The Ivins City Art Commission must be contacted before any citizen applies or creates art on any utility box in Ivins City.

Ivins City Artist Registry

Artists living and working in Ivins City are encouraged to join the Ivins City Artist Registry. Register online and upload a photo of your artwork at www.ivinsartscommission.com.



Heritage Days Youth and Adult Art Exhibit
September 6th & 7th

For details and entry information:
Heritage Days – Ivins City (ivinsutah.gov)

Featured ARTIST

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IVINS CITY HALL



Kathy Johnson



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August 9-25, 2024

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featuring staged readings & audience interactions to develop
new theatrical works.



This project is supported in part by
the National Endowment for the Arts.



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SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY

Article by: Crossing Guard Supervisor Amanda Campbell and Police Chief Jaron Studley

As the first day of school quickly approaches, we'd like to remind drivers that school days bring congestion and the safety of the children is a priority. Kids walk, bike, or use scooters to and from school, school buses pick up and drop off kids, parents drive kids to and from school, and everyone is in a hurry. We ask drivers to slow down and pay attention when kids are present, especially before and after school. We want drivers to slow down and not drive distracted in and around school zones.

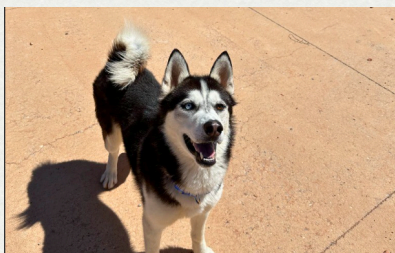
SCI Police Department would like to encourage the community to be mindful of children and safety on streets throughout the communities while driving, especially in and around school zones. Here are some precautions for keeping children safe in school zones:

- In a school zone, when flashers are blinking, STOP and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection.
- Always STOP for a school crossing guard/officer holding up a stop sign and STAY STOPPED until they are out of the road and their sign is down.
- Take extra care to look out for children in school zones.
- Don't block the crosswalk when stopped at a red light or waiting to make a turn, forcing pedestrians to go around you; this could put them in the path of moving traffic.
- Don't honk or rev your engine to scare a pedestrian, even if you have the right of way.
- Never pass a vehicle stopped for pedestrians.
- Always use extreme caution to avoid striking pedestrians wherever they may be, no matter who has the right of way.
- Be especially alert and courteous in residential neighborhoods and school zones.
- Take extra time to actively look for kids at intersections, on medians, and on curbs.
- Stay back from buses when loading and unloading to allow extra space between you and the bus. Turn on your emergency blinkers when stopped behind a bus loading or unloading.
- Anticipate the unexpected. We never know what to expect from a child.
- Wait your turn, stay patient, and allow extra time when dropping off or picking up your children at school.
- Watch those school speed zones. We encourage our officers to be proactive in school zones to ensure the safety of the children.



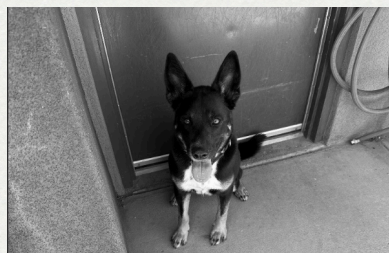
PET CORNER - PETS OF THE MONTH

These have been our longest residents at the shelter. They have been here for over 100 days. Blade was our highlight of last month, but he is such a great dog that he needs another chance to shine.



Meet Blade

Blade was our highlight of last month, but he is such a great dog that he needs another chance to shine. Blade is a two-year-old Siberian Husky mix. He is full of energy and loves to be a lap dog. He is good with other female dogs but is dominant over other male dogs. He is potty trained, knows how to use the dog door, and loves to go on walks.



Meet Linc

Introducing Linc, a four-year-old Shepherd mix who's as adaptable as they come. He's a water lover and enjoys going on walks. Linc gets along well with female dogs, but he's a bit dominant with males. He's very friendly and loves to be by your side. Linc is potty trained and knows how to use the dog door.



Meet Cotton

Cotton is a two-year-old Husky mix. She is very sweet and loves to play in the water. Cotton is initially shy but warms up once she gets to know you. She adores other dogs and kids and enjoys going on walks. Additionally, she is potty trained and knows how to use the dog door.

If you are interested or have any questions, please call the shelter at 435-628-1049. We are still by appointment only, but we are available from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday.