



# Uintah News

## October 2011



### MAYOR'S MESSAGE



#### The Secret Is Out!

Last month I asked about the secret meetings that the City was holding. I found out that the secret meetings are really the closed-door meetings. Unfortunately, since the closed-door meetings were advertised I never made the connection that they were secret. Thanks to Dean Larsen for setting me straight. There were actually five closed-door meetings that were held. Three were to discuss and select individuals for positions and two were for purchase of lands. Gary Laird held one where I was selected as the interim Mayor. I held four, two to discuss purchases of land and two to selected interim positions for City Council. Thanks to Dean he caught the fact that any voting could not take place behind closed doors and let us know. The City had previously cleared the process with the City's attorney and the League of Towns and Cities during Gary Laird's meeting.

That same process was cleared again and used in the other meetings. Unfortunately, no one caught the fact that voting, according to the law now, could not be held in a closed-door meeting. The meetings were votes were taken have now all been ratified per instructions from the Attorney General and the City's Attorney. The two meetings for purchases were not ratified because no votes were taken.

I do want to thank Dean for calling it to everyone's attention so that the errors could be corrected. If others notice items that are in error, please let me know.

#### Hwy 89

UDOT is working on the appraisal and construction will begin next year.

#### VOTING

I would like to encourage everyone to come out and vote. In lieu of early voting, registered voters may vote an absentee ballot at City Hall 2191 E 6550 S; beginning Tuesday October 25th and continuing through Friday November 4, 2011, during regular business hours.

### MEET THE CANDIDATES

Thursday, October 27 at 7 PM

AND

Saturday, October 29, from 2-4 PM

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### HEIDI FLITTON, CITY COUNSEL



Last month I mentioned we are contracting with Weber County for Animal Control and Sheltering services. They won't be picking up cats. If you have a household cat, you may contact Jeff Holden. For feral cats, you may call 801-652-9338. You are also welcome to trap cats yourself, and take them to the shelter.

## CITIZENS RECOGNIZED



**Heber Fernelius, Dean Fernelius, Rulon Dye, Faye Stuart, and Elliot Stuart  
Absent Gayla Dye, Darlene Fernelius, Bart & Julie Kendell, Craig & Linda Kendell, Tyler Monson, & Susan Stuart**

The City recognized some individuals at their Summer Party. These residents are committed to preserving, maintaining, and improving the quality of life in Uintah. They play an important role and part in building the spirit of our community. These residents give hope and friendship to those in need. They help when asked and, more importantly, even when they're not. The City of Uintah is a better place thanks to them.

**Rulon & Gayla Dye** - Rulon is currently the Mosquito Abatement representative for the City. He is now the longest standing representative and has served faithfully in this position for 30 years. Before that, he was on the Town Council for many years and he is secretary of the Uintah Central Ditch Company and has held that position for many years. Gayla is our election pole manager this year, has worked on the elections for many years, and shares all of her fun projects that she is working on.

**Heber Fernelius** - Heber is an outstanding example of a person who gives friendship, kindness, and is always there to help when there is a need. For several years, Heber has taken on the task to make sure that the City's garbage cans are out by the curb and brings them back after they have been emptied. The City appreciates his service very much.

**Dean & Darlene Fernelius** - Dean raises great fruit and shares it with the office. He was the Mayor and served on the Town Council. Darlene has worked as an election judge for many years and always brings good things to eat.

**Bart & Julie Kendell** - Bart knows everything about the water. Where all the old lines are, the turn off values, etc. He is never grouchy when we wake him up for emergencies. He is just wonderful and a great support. Julie is always so willing to help find Bart when we need him and wakes him up on those special days.

**Craig & Linda Kendell** - Craig was the City's Deputy Marshall and City's Chief of Police for many years. He was the Mayor, and now he and Linda bring garden food to the City.

**Tyler Monson** - Tyler was the chair of the U-day activities for the last 2 years. He did a great job and we are thankful for him taking the time to be the chair.

**Susan Stuart** - Susan is a shining star. She serves many in the city by visiting them, getting their mail, and by just keeping track of things that happening in the City.

**Elliot & Fay Stuart** - Elliot is famous for his apples and Fay is famous for her lap quilts. They are both jewels that would help anyone. They share their garden crop with the City. Elliot lets the city use some of his water shares to water the park and he has been on Town Council.

## LEE WOHLGEMUTH



Here is the latest on our recycling collection program in Uintah city.

These are the things that can go into the recycling system:

Aluminum and Tin Cans	Junk Mail
Plastic Containers Labeled #1-#7	Envelopes
Cardboard Boxes	Brochures and Pamphlets
White and Colored Paper	Coated Paper
Newspapers	Computer Printouts
Books	Carbonless Receipts
Magazines	Manuals with Glue Bindings
	File Folders

For more information, see [www.thinkgreen.com](http://www.thinkgreen.com)

These are the things that cannot go into the recycling system:

Batteries	Medical Waste Plastic Bags and Saran Wrap
Candy Wrappers	Used Paper Cups and Paper Plates
Carpet or Cloth	Used Paper Towels
Ceramics and Porcelain	Used Tissues
Heavily Food-Soiled Cardboard	Waxed Cardboard
Food or any Organic Waste	Waxed Paper
Glass	Wet or Soiled Paper
Light Bulbs	Styrofoam
Liquids	

### **August 2011 Recycling Benefits for Uintah**

In August we recycled 11 tons of aluminum, cardboard/paper, scrap metals, plastics, and wood pallets.

### **166 Mature Trees were Saved**

That's enough saved timber to produce more than 2,058,700 sheets of newspaper!

### **41 Cubic Yards of Landfill Airspace**

That's enough airspace to fulfill the municipal waste disposal needs for 52 people for one year!

### **47,538 Kw-Hrs of Electricity from Recycling**

Enough power to fulfill the annual electricity needs of more than 3 homes!

### **23 Barrels of Oil**

Representing enough energy to heat and cool more than 4 homes for one year!

### **Avoided 533 Metric Tons (MTCO<sub>2</sub>E) of GHG Emissions**

The recycling of these materials prevented these GHG emissions!

### **69,300 Gallons of Water**

Representing enough fresh water to meet the daily fresh water needs of more than 924 people!

We also save money by recycling, since the pickup costs are less than for trash/waste. The costs for the city are less since the recycled materials have value, and WM can charge us less.

## BRENT STUART, BUILDING INSPECTOR

If you are planning any renovation, addition, remodel, basement finishing, accessory building that is over 200 square feet, fences over 6 feet high, or other construction work, you probably need a building permit.

Here are the steps:

1. If you have any questions whether or not a permit is required, call Brent Stuart at 801-479-1027.
2. Fill out building permit application at City Hall. A complete application includes the following:
  - a. Site Plan
  - b. Planning Commission approval for all commercial projects and any residential projects seeking a variance.
  - c. Building permit application form (available from City Hall) with all applicable blanks filled in.
  - d. Two complete sets of plans drawn to scale showing work to be done. A complete list of what is required to be on these drawings is available at City Hall. One set will be returned with the building permit and one kept by the Building Inspector.
  - e. Certification from Weber/Morgan Health Department for any new or changes to septic systems if required.
  - f. Completed Stormwater application and implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan. A permit is needed BEFORE construction starts and must be maintained through final site stabilization
  - g. If applicable, a completed Floodplain Permit.
3. Plans will be reviewed for zoning and building code compliance, valuation of work being performed, and fees assessed. This process will take from 7 to 10 days. If any information is missing, the process will be delayed.
4. Pay building permit fees and pick up permit. **DO NOT BEGIN WORK UNTIL PERMIT IS ISSUED.**
5. Call for inspections as work progresses. Generally call for an inspection before any work is covered up. Please give 48 hours notice if you can.

## DON PEARSON, CITY COUNSEL

I work with special needs Scouts and serve as Assistant Scout Master. This summer at camp, the father of one of our Scouts passed away as a result of an overdose of prescription drugs. While totally unexpected for us at camp, this scenario is becoming all too common.

The City is now a part of the newly organized Bonneville Communities That Care. I attended a three day Substance Abuse Conference in September. Common in all presentations was that building assets with young people is the key to prevention. Starting the use of tobacco, drugs or alcohol is almost nonexistent after the age of 21.

Look at the 40 Developmental Assets researched by the Search Institute at: <http://www.search-institute.org/developmental-assets/lists>



“Over time, studies of more than 2.2 million young people consistently show that the more assets young people have, the less likely they are to engage in a wide range of high-risk behaviors and the more likely they are to thrive. Research has proven that youth with the most assets are least likely to engage in four different patterns of high-risk behavior, including problem alcohol use, violence, illicit drug use, and sexual activity. The same kind of impact is evident with many other problem behaviors, including tobacco use, depression and attempted suicide, antisocial behavior, school problems, driving and alcohol, and gambling.”

Working together we can make a difference!

## DAVE BOOTHE, FIRE CHIEF



As we move into the fall season, we would like to offer a couple of suggestions to help make you and your family safe.

Please test your smoke detectors to make sure they are functioning properly. Take the cap off the detector and wipe or blow out all the dead spiders and little cob webs that are inside there. Hopefully there are not any. While you have the cap off, now would be a good time to take out the old batteries and replace them with new ones. Replace the cap and test the detector to make it is working properly. A family get together to talk about fire safety would also be beneficial. Let your children hear what the detector sounds like when it is activated and discuss safe ways to leave the home and a meeting place outside where everyone can meet and be accounted for. If you have a battery operated carbon monoxide detector, please replace the batteries inside it too.

Also, if you are burning in a wood stove, please make sure your chimney is cleaned and that there are no obstructions inside the flue.

The department has been training the past month or so with our SCBA's (self contained breathing apparatus) that allow us to breathe inside a burning structure. We had a great training on how to follow a fire hose outside a structure if we became lost or disoriented. We stretched a fire hose through, around and under the play equipment at the city park. Then we had each fireman put on all their equipment, including the SCBA, covered their face masks so they could not see, placed them along the hose line that we had laid and told them to find their way back to the fire engine. They were all crawling along, under, over, through and off of the play equipment. Was great training as this allowed each participant to observe the equipment limitations, their personal limitations and get a feel for what it would be like if you found yourself in a situation like this.

We appreciate work that Mike Marz and Denise Vickers do in helping set up our training opportunities. We also appreciate those in our community that serve on the fire department and for all their hard work.



**MEET THE CANDIDATES**  
**Thursday, October 27 at 7 PM**  
**Saturday, October 29, from 2-4 PM**

In order for the citizens of Uintah to become more familiar with those candidates who are seeking City Council or Mayoral positions in the upcoming election, a mediated "Meet the Candidates Night" will be held Thursday, October 27, at 7:00 pm in the Crossroads Fellowship Church. (Take HWY 89 north, turn east on Combe Road, take your first left – the log church) Your educated vote counts! Please refer any questions to Jessica Garlick 941-8897 or Stu Boyd 479-7638.

In an effort to be accessible to City residents, and to provide an additional opportunity for residents to meet the candidates, a "Meet the Candidates" afternoon on Saturday, October 29, from 2-4 PM will be held. All Uintah residents are invited to attend. The event will be held as informally as possible, allowing all residents to talk with any and all candidates, and ask their questions.

The afternoon event will be held at Lee Wohlgenuth's home at 1715 East 6600 South in Uintah. They are on the southwest corner where 1725 East crosses the railroad tracks and 6600 South.

Everyone is invited to both events! If you can't make it to both, please try to attend at least one! The event will be non-partisan, in the sense that ALL candidates are invited to both events. Hope to see you there.

**UINTAH'S CRIME CLOCK**

**AUGUST**

**THEFT**

ZERO THEFTS OCCURRED

**BURGLARY**

ONE BURGLARY OCCURRED ON A MONDAY WITH A TIME FRAME OF 1 AM

**ASSAULTS**

ZERO ASSAULTS OCCURRED



**SEPTEMBER**

**THEFT**

ONE THEFT OCCURRED WITH UNKNOWN TIME FRAME OR DATE RANGE

**BURGLARY**

ONE BURGLARY OCCURRED ON A FRIDAY WITH A TIME FRAME OF 12:30 PM

**ASSAULTS**

ZERO ASSAULTS OCCURRED

**CITY DIRECTORY**

<u>Mayor/City Council</u>	<u>Home</u>	<u>Cell</u>	<u>email</u>
Mayor Bybee.....	801-648-7628.....	801-391-1447.....	uintahbybee@gmail.com
Dave Boothe.....	801-479-4595.....	801-540-9474.....	uintahfire@aol.com
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Court Clerk.....Amanda Shipley

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Dave Shurtleff.....801-479-8402.....david.a.shurtleff@l-3com.com

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Jeff Holden.....801-391-2804.....jdm\_uintah@msn.com

**Fire Chief**

Dave Boothe.....801-479-4595.....801-540-9474.....uintahfire@aol.com

**Cemetery Sexton**

Gordon Pringle.....801-479-5965 or 801-479-4130.....uintahcity@qwestoffice.net

**Community Resource Officer**

Andy Allen.....801-629-8221

**Animal Control - Weber County Animal Control and Shelter**.....801-399-8244..... Hours - Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am - Noon. Keep current identification tags on your pets and get a microchip. Identification saves lives!!