



UPDATE

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

QUALITY NEIGHBORHOODS



By Mayor Jerry Rechtenbach

When I was sworn in as Mayor almost eight months ago, I identified economic development and neighborhood revitalization as two of my priorities and goals for 2013. A big part of economic development and neighborhood revitalization is increased emphasis on code enforcement and on area clean-up and beautification. It is the nature of most neighborhoods to experience some level of decline as they age. As this happens, the associated negative effects of lowered property values, increased crime, and transient population follows. There are a few Taylorsville neighborhoods that are already dealing with this challenge, and some that will have to deal with it in the future if we don't address it now.

My goal is to keep Taylorsville neighborhoods clean, attractive, and safe both now and in the future so that we remain a place where we all want to live. So I want to know what our residents think about the subject. For me there are a couple of questions:

1. How do we see our City? (Or in other words, "What is the standard for neighborhoods that we want to achieve?")
2. What are the proper methods to achieving this goal?

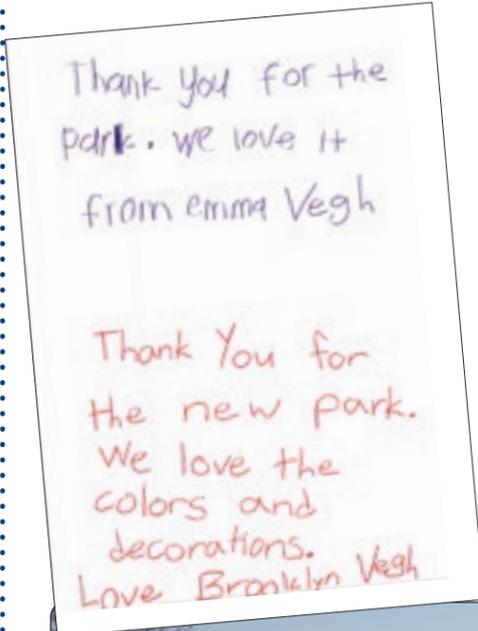
What is your vision for Taylorsville neighborhoods? And what do you think is the best way for the City to help achieve it. Most people are very responsible with their property and care for it very well. There is a small percentage of residents who can do better, and those are the ones we need to reach out to. Not every circumstance is the same, and I anticipate that there will be a number of solutions. Some programs that have been suggested so far include:

- Giving fines to offenders. If they are unwilling to pay, collect it from property tax liens;
- Education in the form of newsletters, social media, email, website, etc. so that people know what is expected;
- Develop assistance programs that may include neighbors, family, local church groups, etc.
- Be sensitive to special situations, i.e., illness or disability
- City fix sidewalks and provide green waste dumpsters

In the weeks to come we will be reaching out to residents, working through Community Councils, and working with volunteer committees and with City staff to devise a program that will be proactive in helping us achieve our neighborhood goals. I hope to continue to receive valuable input from residents of Taylorsville as we develop these programs, so feel free to tell me what you think. You can email me at jrechtenbach@taylorsvilleut.gov or call my cell phone - 801-875-8759.

CITY COUNCIL CORNER

PARKS ARE VITAL FOR KEEPING TAYLORSVILLE BEAUTIFUL!



Recent news highlighted the rebuilding of Bennion Park playground and the amazing outpouring of support and work from the residents in the neighborhood. Their new playground is bright and happy, filled with many of the same features and some amazing new ones. A large shade canopy has made the playground a more desirable place to play now that the equipment isn't quite so hot. The community participated in building this playground, resulting in a substantial savings which allowed us to pack in more features for play. This model was so successful that we're doing it again at Azure Meadows Park on July 27th!

Our parks, trails, and open space are valuable resources in our city. These

areas have been the focus of thousands of volunteer hours this spring and summer with our Comcast Cares Day of Service, scout groups, sports teams, local businesses, and non-profit groups. Our trees have been mulched, weeds have been removed, trees have been planted, murals have been painted, and playgrounds are being rebuilt. We have even started an "Adopt A Park" program for neighborhoods that really want to step in and care for a park they love.

If you would like to be more involved in keeping Taylorsville beautiful by working with our parks and open space, you can visit our website at: <http://bit.ly/18oGyE6> and learn how you can be one of our valuable Taylorsville volunteers!



Your Taylorsville City Council, Ernest Burgess (District 1), Kristie Overson (District 2), Brad Christopherson (District 3), Dama Barbour (District 4), Larry Johnson (District 5)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

FREEBIRDS COMES TO UTAH!

After over 150 guesses were made, Taylorsville gave the answer to the 10-day mystery. The first three who submitted the correct answer will be enjoying their choice of burrito dinner free when Utah's first Freebirds World Burrito opens its doors in October. This past month we have had a Facebook contest to see if residents could guess the new restaurant coming to Taylorsville. It is the first one of this chain/restaurant in Utah, with five other franchises planned to open throughout Utah before next summer. Visit freebirds.com and you will see why we are so excited about this restaurant, which will be on the southeast corner of 5400 South Redwood Road.

Here were the clues we posted on our city Facebook page:

Clue #1: This restaurant started in 1987, had seven locations in 2007, and today has 100 locations throughout the country.

Clue #2: In this restaurant, all food is prepared fresh — no freezer.

Clue #3: This restaurant is not fast-food and there is no waitress to take your order.

Clue #4: This restaurant is

in TX, OK, KS, LA, MO, CA. Taylorsville will have the first Utah location, but you will see at least five other sites pop up by next summer.

Clue #5: This restaurant started in California by two surfers who attended the UC at Santa Barbara. The second location was at Texas A&M College Station. (Appropriate, since we have the Salt Lake Community College in our city!)

Clue #6: Guests can make foil art that is displayed in the restaurant.

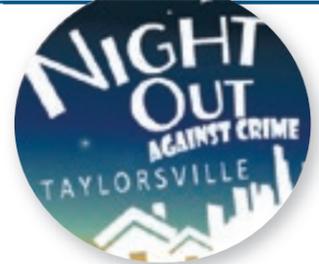
Clue #7: There are four sizes of this restaurant's signature item. One is called the "Super Monster."

Clue #8: This restaurant has four different kinds of tortillas, including jalapeno.

Clue #9: Any Lynyrd Skynyrd fans out there? You will know you are in the right place when you see Lady Liberty riding a Harley Davidson in this restaurant.

Clue #10: This restaurant is famous for their corn salsa, which is prepared by roasting corn on the cob fresh every day.

Keep an eye out for the grand opening in October!



Come Meet Your Public Safety Experts & Learn More About:

- Crime & Drug Prevention
- Heightening Awareness
- Strengthening Your Neighborhood Spirit
- Generating Support for Local Anti-Crime Programs

Send a Message to Criminals that Neighborhoods are fighting back!

This event is registered with the National Night Out Against Crime

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

6:30-8:30 p.m.

City Hall Grounds

2600 W. Taylorsville Blvd.



- ★ Prizes
- ★ Free Hot Dogs
- ★ Taylorsville UPD Presentation
- ★ Police & Fire Displays
- ★ Information Booths

Special "Thanks" to **HARMONS** your neighborhood partner and the **Taylorsville Lions Club** for their support of this event

For More Info: Peggy Sadler, Chairperson, Taylorsville Public Safety Committee; 801-963-5936; peggysadler@gmail.com



CALENDAR

JULY

July 30-August 9
PRIMARY ELECTION EARLY VOTING
Weekdays 11 a.m.-3 p.m. -
Taylorsville City Hall, Room 110

AUGUST

- 6
NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME EVENT
6:30-8:30 p.m. - Taylorsville City Hall
- 6
CPR TRAINING
6 p.m. - Taylorsville City Hall
- 7-10, 12
"SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL"
7:30 p.m. - Taylorsville High School
- 7
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING/
TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING**
6 p.m. - Taylorsville City Hall
- 13
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
7 p.m. - Taylorsville City Hall
- 14
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
6 p.m. - Taylorsville City Hall
- 15
GENERAL CERT MEETING
7 p.m. - Taylorsville City Hall
- 21
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 p.m. - Taylorsville City Hall

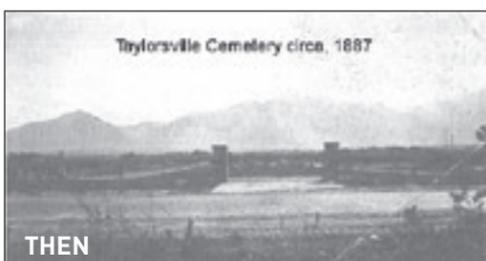
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

THEN & NOW

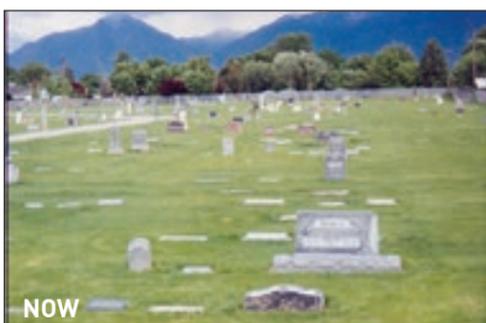
We thought it would be interesting to tell the history of the Taylorsville Memorial Gardens (Taylorsville Cemetery). The parcel of land where the cemetery is now, was issued to Thomas and Harriet Williams, and later deeded to the LDS church in 1887. In 1902, the title was conveyed to Bishop Heber Bennion. The title changed hands many times, including owner Clyde Barker, who bought the cemetery for \$1. The first grave in the cemetery was a boy of 12 years of age. He was bitten by a spider and died. His family was enroute to California when the tragedy happened.

Taylorsville took ownership of the cemetery three years ago. The current caretaker is Lee Bennion, a long-time Taylorsville resident. The Taylorsville Historic Preservation Committee, along with the Taylorsville Arts Council, sponsors an event called, "Tombstone Tales," about every five years at the cemetery. This production was first written/directed by Mavis Steadman. The next production is scheduled for 2015.

If you have ideas for a future submission of "Then & Now," please email museum@taylorsvilleut.gov.



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NOW

WASATCH FRONT WASTE AND RECYCLING DISTRICT

GREEN WASTE COLLECTION COMING TO A CURB NEAR YOU!

Due to customer demand, Wasatch Front Waste will start collecting green waste curbside for those who would like to pay for the service. Beginning March 2014, you will be able to put yard and lawn trimmings, fruit and vegetable scraps, and leaves in a specially designed green waste cart for collection on your normal garbage and recycling day.

In order to begin the program, they need at least 1,200 customers to pre-subscribe. You can pre-subscribe by sending an email to green@wastachfrontwaste.org with your name, address, phone and email; or by calling 385-468-6325. They will send you more information and keep in touch throughout the year with important dates and reminders.

The green waste program is by subscription only and the annual fee is \$115. It is not part of the regular service package covered by your \$153 sanitation fee. The services offered, including the green waste program, are not subsidized with tax dollars. The fee for green waste covers the actual operating costs of the program. As more households sign-up, the rate could be adjusted. There is no obligation to participate, as this is an optional service for those who want it.

Cost: \$115 annually for nine months of collection (mid-March to mid-December) plus a \$60 one-time, nonrefundable cart fee to be paid by October 31, 2013. Customers may subscribe at any time during the year at the \$115 rate.

Additional Info:

- Green waste includes all UNBAGGED lawn and yard trimmings (grass clippings, branches, leaves, garden waste), fruit and vegetable scraps, eggshells, coffee grounds, and tea bags. NO food, oils, fats, grease, paper, or plastic bags.
- Curbside green waste collection will begin in mid-March and end in mid-December (a firm start and end date will be announced).
- Collection is the same day as your regular refuse and recycling day.
- Customers will receive a special green waste cart with vents to release moisture.
- Carts will be delivered to homes beginning in December 2013.
- The non-refundable \$60 cart fee allows Wasatch Front Waste to purchase and deliver the carts.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

DID YOU KNOW?

Primary Election Voting

Early Voting for the Primary Municipal Election will be July 30 through August 9 (weekdays only), from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Room 110 at Taylorsville City Hall (2600 W. 5325 S.). The 2013 Primary Municipal Election will be held Tuesday, August 13. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Contact Cheryl Cottle at 801-955-2006 for additional information on polling locations.

Annual Museum Day

Saturday, September 28th, the Taylorsville Bennion Heritage Center will be participating in the Smithsonian's annual Museum Day. They will be open from 2-6pm and there is no charge. Bring your family to see this historic home and fun farm animals. The address is 1488 W. 4800 S.

Healthy Taylorsville Needs You!

Join this group, which promotes healthy living throughout Taylorsville (no health background needed, just passion for making the city a healthier place to live).

Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month from 6-7pm at City Hall. Email HealthyTaylorsville@gmail.com with questions.

Taylorsville Dayzz - A Huge Success!

This year we celebrated the city's 17th birthday with Taylorsville Dayzz - our three-day birthday bash. We had record crowds this year, with over 20,000 people attending on Saturday night. This year we had hot air balloon rides, which were popular, as well as our inaugural Movie in the Park. Other favorites included the Exchange Club parade, ABBA concert, Utah Symphony, Taylorsville Symphony, sky divers, 102 food and craft booths, almost 200 entries in the car show, and of course, the best fireworks in the valley! (Fireworks are paid for by sponsors, not taxpayer funds. Thanks to those who sponsored this!)

A special thanks to Jim Dunnigan, Steve Ashby, and the Taylorsville Dayzz Committee. They contributed over 1,000 hours to make this event happen. (If you would like to join the committee for next year, or help with staging, parking, info desk, etc., please email jdjd5@msn.com.) Our UPD officers did a great job handling the parking and traffic flow. Jay Ziolkowski and the Exchange Club were in charge of the parade. It was a fun event for everyone!



UNIFIED POLICE DEPARTMENT

AUTO THEFT PREVENTION



To assist your UPD in preventing Auto Theft, please adhere to these simple tips!

1. Lock it up
2. Light your vehicle with outdoor or motion lights
3. Alarm your vehicle with an audible alarm system
4. Park in the garage or driveway
5. Leave nothing of value inside of your vehicle

For questions or comments, please contact our Taylorsville UPD Precinct at 385-468-9435.

The City of Taylorsville and the
Taylorsville Arts Council
present

Seussical

THE MUSICAL

**August 7, 8,
9, 10 & 12, 2013**

7:30pm

Taylorsville High School

\$7/Person • \$30/Group of 6

Music by
Stephen Flaherty

Lyrics by
Lynn Ahrens

Book by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty

Co-conceived by Lynn Ahrens,
Stephen Flaherty, and Eric Idle

Based on the works of Dr. Seuss