



UPDATE

MAYOR'S MESSAGE WHY DO WE ENFORCE OUR CODES?



Mayor Russ Wall

Sometimes I get asked why our code enforcement officers are giving tickets for things people are doing on their private property. Other times I get asked why we don't do more to enforce the laws and ordinances that we have adopted to keep our city looking nice.

When ordinances are established, there is a fine line between property

rights and affecting other people's rights and property values. We are always trying to balance this and in doing so, find many reasons why enforcing our ordinances is a good thing.

For example, if your neighbor let weeds in their front yard grow six inches tall, parked their car on their grass (or weeds) or let their garbage litter their property, it would affect the neighborhood. Statistically speaking, crime increases in neighborhoods where property is not kept up, property values would certainly decline, and rodents or other pests may invade surrounding areas.

We want to keep the city looking nice to protect all residents. Enforcing our ordinances not only helps with property values and decreases crimes, but it enhances our economic development efforts as we try to attract high quality businesses here.

Thank you to those of you who take the time to follow the ordinances and keep your property looking nice. To those who struggle, please help your neighbors by taking the initiative to improve your property. It benefits everyone.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS DID YOU KNOW?

FLEX LANES

Flex Lanes are now up and running. So far UDOT has reported that traffic flow has been improved by adding that additional lane during rush hour. We've had good comments from residents and some concerns expressed. One of the concerns is that flex lanes overhead lights blend in with intersection traffic signals. City elected officials have this same concern and we have been working with UDOT to find a good solution. They are considering dimming the flex lanes lights so it is easier to see intersection traffic signals. We will keep you posted on this very important issue.

GARBAGE PICK UP FOR THANKSGIVING

Please note that garbage will not be picked up on Thanksgiving Day, but will be picked up the day after on Friday, November 23. Please make sure your garbage and recycling cans are three feet away from other cans or objects.

SALES TAX REVENUE IS UP

That's right, all of you who have taken our suggestion to do your shopping in Taylorsville, it is paying off! On average our sales tax revenues are up 8 percent per month over last year. As we head into the holiday season, we would encourage you to continue to shop in Taylorsville whenever possible. The city receives \$1 for every \$100 you spend at our Taylorsville stores.

NEW YOUTH AMBASSADORS CHOSEN

Congratulations to Youth Ambassadors who were appointed for the 2012-2013 term: Andy Ho, Sidney Huff, Gabriela "Gabby" Magalanes, Taylor Moulton, Erin Penrose, and Hannah Wright. They will represent the city at various functions including ribbon cuttings, awards banquets, and parades. They will also be performing service throughout the city.

HOLIDAY CONCERT BY THE TAYLORSVILLE-SLCC SYMPHONY

Come enjoy the Taylorsville-SLCC Symphony! They will be performing a Holiday Fun Concert, conducted by Adam Larson, on Friday, December 14 at 7:30 p.m. The performance is at Taylorsville High School - 5225 S. Redwood Road. There is a suggested donation of \$5.

GREENHOUSE WINTER GARDENING

If anyone is interested in doing winter gardening in a greenhouse at the Taylorsville Community Greenhouse, please contact Toni Lenning at 801-265-1328 or 801-414-4192. The greenhouse is open thru the first week in April 2013 and the cost is \$45.

WATCH CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON CHANNEL 17

Taylorsville has it's own TV. channel through Comcast. Those who live in Taylorsville and subscribe to Comcast can watch city council meetings and other events on Channel 17.

FIND US ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

Do you ever want to know what's going on in your community? Then "like" our city Facebook page. You can find us at facebook.com/taylorsvillecity. You can also follow us on Twitter @TvilleUT. This is a great way to stay up on things that are going on and will be the primary source of information in case of a disaster or emergency.

WANT TO RECEIVE THIS NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL?

Send an email to anewton@taylorsvilleut.gov and you will be added to our e-newsletter.



The Taylorsville Economic Development Committee and Mayor Russ Wall cordially invite you to attend a

Holiday Open House

Tuesday, December 11, 2012
3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Taylorsville City Hall - City Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd. (5320 South), Taylorsville, Utah

Please RSVP to: Jean Ashby
jashby@taylorsvilleut.gov or (801) 963-5400 (ext. 3059)

OPPORTUNITY
Taylorsville Economic Development

A Foundation for Economic Development

Taylorsville Arts Council sponsored

SING-A-LONG MESSIAH



Saturday,
December 1, 2012
7:00 pm
Taylorsville City Hall

Free to all families | Bring your music & voices

CALENDAR

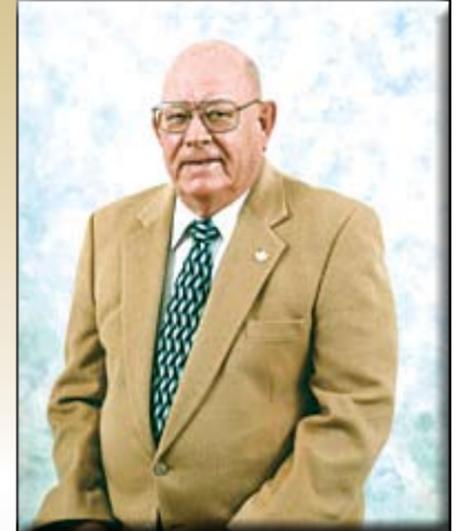
DECEMBER

- 1
Messiah Sing-a-long
7 p.m. at City Hall
- 4
CPR Training
6 p.m. at City Hall
- 5
“Mints with the Mayor”
Come visit with Mayor Russ Wall
5-6 p.m. at City Hall
- 5
City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. at City Hall
- 11
Economic Development Holiday Open House
3:30-5:30 p.m. at City Hall
- 11
Planning Commission Meeting
7 p.m. at City Hall
- 12
City Council Work Session
6 p.m. at City Hall
- 14
Taylorsville-SLCC Symphony
7:30 p.m. at Taylorsville High 5225 S. Redwood Rd.
- 15
Santa Visits Taylorsville
2-3 p.m. at Museum 1488 W. 4800 S.
- 19
City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. at City Hall
- 12
General CERT Meeting
7 p.m. at City Hall
- 19
City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. at City Hall
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General CERT Meeting
7 p.m. at City Hall

COUNCIL CORNER

WE REMEMBER BUD CATLIN

On October 29, our friend and former council member, D.L. “Bud” Catlin passed away. Bud faithfully served Taylorsville’s District 1 as a city council member for 14 years from January 1998 to December 2011. He is the longest-serving council member in Taylorsville history.



Bud Catlin

Bud dedicated his life to public service on the Utah Highway Patrol - being promoted to the rank of captain, in the United States Army, and as a member of the city council. He approached his duties with passion, and always fought for the well-being of others.

Bud was involved in getting City Hall built and the Senior Center finished. He felt it was important to put streetlights in all the neighborhoods. He also helped secure the Taylorsville Rec Center and participated in building the skate park.

When Bud and Donna Catlin moved to Taylorsville in 1989, there were no sidewalks on the north side of the road by Fremont Elementary and he was concerned for the safety of the students. He was instrumental in getting a sidewalk put in, along with a fence, to provide safety for elementary school children.

This is a great loss to the City of Taylorsville. All of us who knew Bud will miss him. Our condolences go to his wife, Donna, and their family.



Larry Johnson (Dist. 5), Dama Barbour (Dist. 4), Jerry Rechtenbach (Dist. 3), Kristie Overson (Dist. 2), and Ernest Burgess (Dist. 1)

CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

SNOW REMOVAL

The City of Taylorsville strives to maintain a healthy community and has adopted ordinances to assist in maintaining the health and safety of its residents. Adherence to the ordinances is necessary to promote a safe, healthy and neighborly community. Here are some good reminders as we head into the winter season:



1 - Snow removal is required on private property. It is unlawful for the owner, occupant, lessor or agent of any property abutting a paved sidewalk to fail to remove all hail, snow, or sleet within 24 hours after the hail, snow or sleet has ceased falling. If the storm ends between 5 p.m. and 6 a.m., the sidewalk and any existing curb ramp needs to be cleaned before 8 a.m. the following morning.

2 - Clogging the gutter with snow is prohibited. It is unlawful for any person removing snow from a sidewalk, driveway or curb ramp to de-

posit snow, dirt or other material in a gutter so as to clog or prevent the free flow of water therein.

3 - Do not park on the street following a snow fall. It is unlawful for any person to park any vehicle or trailer on any street after a snow accumulation of four inches or more until 24 hours after the end of such accumulation to allow snow plows to properly clear the street. Vehicles in violation of this ordinance may be cited and/or towed at the owners expense.

4 - Please be aware of those in need during the winter months. Many Taylorsville residents do not have the physical means or ability to clear the snow from their walks, driveway and curb ramps. Be a good neighbor and assist whenever one of these persons may need your aid or assistance.

Please contact the Code Enforcement Division of the City of Taylorsville at 801-963-5400 if there are any questions.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

SANTA VISITS TAYLORSVILLE!



On Saturday, Dec 15 from 2 - 3 p.m., Santa will make a stop at the Taylorsville Bennion Heritage Center located at 1488 W. 4800 S.

Bring the family to see Santa in a unique Victorian home setting. There is no charge and free tours of the historic home museum are available that day from 2 - 6 p.m.