



# UPDATE

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

### CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH



Mayor  
Jerry Rechtenbach

April has been designated as National Child Abuse Prevention month. In Taylorsville we are very passionate about supporting this cause and have teamed up with Prevent Child Abuse Utah (PCUA) in a continued effort to raise awareness about this serious crime. On April 6th PCUA, along with Taylorsville City, the Taylorsville Exchange Club, Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA), and local Girl Scouts placed over 500 pinwheels in front of Taylorsville City Hall. Our goal is to be a catalyst to raise awareness throughout the City as people drive past City Hall and see the Pinwheel Garden spinning in the wind. Our hope is that they will be more focused on learning how to prevent child abuse, reporting early signs of child abuse, and if they perhaps are someone that is struggling and needs help or counseling with their own children, that they will realize that there is a resource available to help them.

Since two thirds of all victims of child abuse are between the ages of 0 and 10 years old, we are reaching out to partner with our elementary schools. Our Taylorsville UPD officers are going into the elementary schools and conducting trainings with the students on such important subjects as bullying prevention, drug awareness, stranger danger, and signs of abuse.

Regardless of our age or familial status, we can all do our part by getting involved in raising awareness. We encourage anyone seeking to be more involved, or simply wanting to get more information to contact Prevent Child Abuse Utah, or visit their website at [www.preventchildabuseutah.org](http://www.preventchildabuseutah.org). It's a cause we can all participate in, because I think we all agree that our most precious resource is our children.

## OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORDER

### CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR CITY OFFICE FILE IN JUNE

The City of Taylorsville will hold a Municipal Election on November 5, 2013 to elect a Mayor; one City Council Member each from Council District 4 and Council District 5 to serve four-year terms; and one City Council Member from Council District 3 to serve a two-year term. Candidates must file a Declaration of Candidacy in person with the Taylorsville City Recorder, at Taylorsville City Hall, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd.

The forms will be available beginning June 3, 2013. The filing period will run for one week only from Monday, June 3, 2013 through Friday, June 7, 2013, during regular City Hall hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.). A candidate must have been a resident of the City of Taylorsville for at least 12 consecutive months (365 days) immediately prior to the date of the General Election. A candidate must also be a registered voter. If a candidate is running for a Council District Seat, he/she must be a resident of that district.

A filing fee of \$100.00 must be paid at the time of filing the Declaration of Candidacy. (The filing fee will be reduced to \$50 for candidates who submit a nomination petition containing 25 signatures of residents of the city who are at least 18 years old). For additional information, please visit the city's website at [www.taylorsvilleut.gov](http://www.taylorsvilleut.gov) or contact Cheryl Peacock Cottle, in the City Recorder's Office, at 801-963-5400.

## CITY COUNCIL CORNER

### BUDGET DISCUSSIONS BEGIN SOON

As City Council members, we are committed to fiscal responsibility while maintaining the highest quality of life here in Taylorsville. We are not only your elected officials, but we are also taxpayers in this great city and desire to see it continue to grow and prosper for generations to come. In an effort to do that, we need your help. Please review the following budget calendar and plan on getting involved in this very important and essential budget process.

**May 1, 2013 | 6:30 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting** – City Administration will formally present the tentative budget for 2013/2014 to the City Council. The City Council officially acknowledges receipt, which allows the budget documents to be made available for public inspection. (State Statute requires budget documents to be made available at least 10 days prior to a public hearing on the budget.) The Council must then set a time and date for the public hearing and also set a date for a public hearing regarding the previous year 2012/2013 fiscal year budget.

At all City Council meetings, comments can be given during citizen comment time. An individual has two minutes to present information, and will have five minutes if they represent a group in attendance.

**May 8, 2013 | 6 p.m. | City Council Work Session** – The City Council will have a general budget discussion.



City Council: Larry Johnson – Dist. 5, Kristie Overson – Dist. 2, Ernest Burgess – Dist. 1, Dama Barbour – Dist. 4, Brad Christopherson – Dist. 3

**May 15, 2013 | 6:30 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting** – The City Council will continue with a general budget discussion.

**May 29, 2013 | 6-7 p.m. | Town Hall Meeting** – This is an opportunity for the public to come in and talk to elected officials and ask questions regarding the budget. Capital budget projects and project initiatives may also be addressed.

**June 5, 2013 | 6:30 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting** – Two public hearings for the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget and for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget will be held at this city council meeting. The public is welcome to come and give input. (Public input will also be taken at any of the City Council meetings.) The City Council may consider adoption of these budgets at that meeting.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please let us know!

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### OBTAINING PERMITS FOR HOME AND BUSINESS CONSTRUCTION BENEFITS EVERYONE

When you enter a house or other type of building, you assume it is safely and properly constructed, and complies with state and local building codes. Fortunately, local safety experts work hard to ensure buildings are safe. To help raise awareness of building safety, the Taylorsville Community Development Department proudly celebrates Building Safety Month during May.

“When our building safety and fire prevention experts inspect buildings during and after construction, they help to ensure that the places where you live, learn, work, worship and play are safe,” said Taylorsville Community Development Director Mark McGrath. “Ensuring public safety is something we think about and do every day working with homebuilders, plumbers, roofers and other construction industry trades and contractors.”

Building codes address all aspects of construction, from structural to fire prevention, plumbing and mechanical systems, and energy efficiency. To ensure buildings are safe requires the active participation of code officials, fire inspectors, architects, builders, engineers, contractors and others in the construction industry, as well as property owners.

“Protection of the life, safety, property and welfare of residents is met through the adoption and enforcement of codes which is achieved through permitting,” said McGrath. “The purpose of the code is to ensure minimum requirements are met to safeguard public safety, health and general welfare.”

With the adoption and establishment of a set of minimum construction standards or codes, a community can impose reasonable standards for construction that will maintain the livability of the community while reducing risks to the public and

emergency responders.

Cities are evaluated by an insurance service organization. This organization grades the city based upon compliance with the code, number of inspectors, permits, plan reviews, etc. The lower the city's rating, the better the insurance rate offered to residents and business owners by the insurance industry. Further, construction on a home or commercial property may not be covered under an insurance claim if the work was not permitted or inspected by the city.

Appraisers, adjusters, and title companies research city records to determine permit compliance, which may impact lending and sales rates.

Construction based upon code standards and verified through the permitting process will also limit liability to residents and business owners ensuring that inherent safety measures are met. Examples may include stair construction, handrails, guardrails, smoke detectors, fire sprinklers and fire alarms.

Countless home improvement projects within our community utilized the code review permitting and inspection process. They include basement finishes, additions, interior and exterior remodels, decks, garages, sheds, pools, spas and hot tubs, and re-roofing projects. Energy upgrades such as window replacements, insulation, and appliance replacements, have also met this code review.

Information forms regarding the building and planning process are available at the Taylorsville Community Development Department, located on the second floor of City Hall. You can also call 801-963-5400 and speak to a Community Development staffer about permits.



CALENDAR

APRIL

27  
**DAY OF SERVICE/COMCAST CARES CLEAN UP**

7 a.m. - 1 p.m. -  
See [taylorvilleut.gov](http://taylorvilleut.gov) for details

MAY

1  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
6:30 p.m. - Taylorville City Hall

3  
**TAYLORSVILLE SYMPHONY FAMILY FUN CONCERT**  
7:30 p.m. - Eisenhower Jr. High,  
4351 S. Redwood Rd

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**CPR TRAINING**  
6 p.m. - Taylorville City Hall

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**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
6 p.m. - Taylorville City Hall

14  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
6:30 p.m. - Taylorville City Hall

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
6:30 p.m. - Taylorville City Hall

16  
**GENERAL CERT MEETING**  
7 p.m. - Taylorville City Hall

28  
**PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION**  
6 p.m. - Taylorville City Hall

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

**THEN & NOW**

This month's historic photo features a home located at 4894 South Redwood Road in Taylorville. This home was built by Joseph Lindsay in the late 1800's. Joseph homesteaded 160 acres of land and started the Taylorville Mercantile Co. in 1900, which was just north of the home. This shop sold everything from needles to Model T Fords. The Lindsay family lived in the home until it was purchased by the Goldberg family. In 1936, Fred and Helen Barker bought the home and raised their family there until 1962 when their son became the owner. Heber and Corinne Barker lived there until it was torn down in 1965. Currently the vacant building of the Jalisco Restaurant is on the site.

If you have any ideas for future submissions, Please email [museum@taylorvilleut.gov](mailto:museum@taylorvilleut.gov)



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COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME**

Mark your calendars for the Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 6. Neighborhoods are encouraged to have block parties to organize neighborhood watch programs, or just to get to know each other better so they can watch out for each other. The city will host an event from 6:30-8:30 that evening at City Hall - 2600 W. Taylorville Blvd. There will be police and fire displays, UPD presentations, free hot dogs, prizes, and information booths. For more information, please contact Public Safety Chair Peggy Sadler at 801-580-9174.

**TAYLORSVILLE'S EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS IS TOP NOTCH**

City employees had their emergency management skills tested in the Great Shakeout exercise held on April 17. All aspects of our emergency operations center were tested through this role play. We are lucky to have such a great emergency management coordinator, Lisa Schwartz, who is one of the best in the state!

**LANDFILL VOUCHERS AVAILABLE, WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!**

As part of our efforts to keep the city clean, Taylorville City and Wasatch Front Waste offer free landfill vouchers to residents of Taylorville. Each voucher gives \$10 off a load at the Salt Lake Valley Landfill, and is good for the rest of the year. Two per household are available at the second floor receptionist desk at City Hall - 2600 W. Taylorville Blvd. Please bring photo ID to pick up your vouchers.

**JOIN US IN THE LARGEST CITYWIDE SERVICE PROJECT EVER!**

On Saturday, April 27, residents, civic groups, church groups, and businesses of Taylorville will gather to clean up the city! This is the largest citywide service project Taylorville has ever had. Meet at the UDOT parking lot at 4501 S. 2700 W. between 7 - 8 a.m. for breakfast and registration. Service projects will go from 8 a.m until noon. Lunch will be provided by Comcast at noon. For more information see [taylorvilleut.gov](http://taylorvilleut.gov) or contact Rhett at 801-963-5400.

VETERANS MEMORIAL

**HONOR YOUR VETERAN FOR MEMORIAL DAY**

By Aimee Winder Newton

Last Memorial Day Taylorville City dedicated the new Veterans Memorial. It is located on the south side of the Taylorville City Hall at 2600 W. 5325 S. There are flags to honor each branch of the military. There are two walls inscribed with quotes that honor those who sacrificed for our freedoms, and there are bronze statues representing those coming home. It is a beautiful and peaceful area to reflect on those who have served and sacrificed.

As part of the memorial, there is an area where people can purchase engraved pavers for between \$75-\$200.

My husband and I wanted a way to pay tribute to our grandfathers who served in World War II and the Korean War. We wanted our children to recognize this selfless service and appreciate the freedoms we have because of these veterans. We purchased a paver to honor our two veteran grandfathers.

**GIRL SCOUTS EARN BACK ALL OF STOLEN COOKIE MONEY AND MORE!**

In March, Taylorville Girl Scout Troop 2532 had their cookie money stolen outside Walmart. Within just a few days, our UPD officers were able to apprehend the suspects. The community rallied around this troop and Mayor Rechtenbach invited them to sell their Girl Scout cookies at City Hall. They sold 855 boxes and appreciated the support from the mayor, several councilmembers, Representative Jim Dunningan, Congressman Jim Matheson, and all our great Taylorville residents!



Mayor Jerry Rechtenbach and Girl Scout Troop 2532

**ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE REMINDER**

Despite the recent snow, spring is here! It's time to spruce up your home and yard. Taylorville ordinance 9.28.010: Responsibility to Keep Property Clean, is one of several ordinances that require all residents to landscape and maintain property. So get out those rakes, shovels, and brooms, and let's make Taylorville a beautiful city! The Wasatch Front Waste annual neighborhood clean up is scheduled for August this year. You can find all the ordinances on the city's website [taylorvilleut.gov](http://taylorvilleut.gov).

**COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS AVAILABLE**

If you need gardening plots, there are some available for rent this spring/summer in our Community Garden at City Hall. Plots are \$25 for the season. For more information call Toni Lenning - 801-265-1328 or 801-414-4192.

**NOMINATE YOUR NEIGHBOR'S YARD FOR "BEST OF TAYLORSVILLE" AWARD**

If you have a neighbor who does a great job keeping up their yard, please nominate them by May 8. Email Rhett at [rhciff@taylorvilleut.gov](mailto:rhciff@taylorvilleut.gov), and send her their name and address.

**TAYLORSVILLE SYMPHONY PERFORMS FAMILY CONCERT**

The Taylorville Symphony will be performing a Family Fun Concert on May 3 at 7:30 p.m. at Eisenhower Junior High at 4351 S. Redwood Road. There is a requested donation of \$5.

**TAYLORSVILLE DAYZZ IS COMING SOON - JUNE 27, 28, 29!**

Mark your calendars for Taylorville Dayzz on June 27, 28, and 29. For the first time we are having a "Movie in the Park" following the Utah Symphony performance on the 27th. Other performers include "Let's Hang On!" music from Frankie Valli & the Jersey Boys; ABBACADABRA, the ultimate ABBA concert; our fabulous Taylorville Symphony; and of course the best fireworks in the valley!

**EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS HONORED AT AWARDS BANQUET**

On March 27 the annual Taylorville Awards Banquet honored 12 people. Volunteer Awards of Excellence went to: Lynn Handy, Peggy Sadler, Lee Bennion, and Dale Kehl. A Mayor Award of Excellence was given to Former Mayor Russ Wall, Service Provider Award of Excellence was presented to Pam Roberts with the Wasatch Waste and Recycling District, Firefighter Award of Excellence went to Tom Smolka, and Police Officer Award of Excellence was given to Detective Scott Lloyd. The following received Employee Awards of Excellence: Ted Andersen, Steve Porten, Vanessa Giron, Marsha Thomas, and Cheryl Peacock Cottle.



Last December I took my husband's grandfather, Riley Newton, to the memorial, and surprised him with the paver.

Grandpa was so touched by this. It

made him feel so good to be part of such a beautiful project and that we thought to recognize him for his service.

My grandfather, Ned Winder, passed away seven years ago and did not get to see his name inscribed on the paver, but I am happy that my children can someday take their children to the Veterans Memorial and teach their future posterity about the service of their grandfathers.

We are so grateful for the difficult sacrifice our two grandpas made to defend our freedom. We appreciate all our veterans and those who are still serving in the armed forces.

The city is putting in an order to be completed prior to Memorial Day. If you or anyone you know is interested in a engraved paver at the Veterans Memorial at Taylorville, please see [taylorvillememorial.com](http://taylorvillememorial.com) or contact Jean Ashby at 801-963-5400.