



# The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—August 2021



Mayor Shaun Dustin

## Thoughts From Mayor Dustin

If you haven't noticed all the road construction in Nibley, you don't live here 😊.

On the not so bright side, our roads will continue to be impacted—likely through November. On the bright side, we are getting much needed improvements to our infrastructure and because of the hard work and foresight of your city staff and Council, we are getting approximately \$6,400,000 of needed road-work done at a cost of \$1,400,000 to the taxpayers. That's about an 75% discount. When we are done, 3200 South will be good for the foreseeable future. We will also have a traffic light on Highway 89 to allow people to turn left at a

protected intersection and the intersection at 12th west and 3200 south will be fixed to improve pedestrian safety and traffic flow.



### 2021 Notice of Election

Nibley City will conduct a General Election on **November 2, 2021**.

The offices that will be on the municipal General election ballot are:

- Nibley City Mayor
- Two (2) Nibley City Council seats.

The Nibley City Council adopted Resolution 21-09 on April 15, 2021, which noticed Nibley City's intent to participate in Ranked Choice Voting during the 2021 Municipal Election. Therefore, Nibley City will not hold a Primary Election and Declaration for Candidacy will begin on August 10, 2021, and will close on August 17, 2021. For more information regarding the municipal election and declaration of candidacy, contact Nibley City Recorder, Cheryl Bodily at [cheryl@nibleycity.com](mailto:cheryl@nibleycity.com) or 752-0431.

Please watch the Nibley City website, newsletter, and FaceBook page for information regarding the 2021 election.

**1200 W at 3200 S**

- Total project cost: \$3,500,000
- Nibley cost: \$400,000

This intersection has been a sore spot for a long time. 12th west has been planned to be a straight connection between Nibley and Hyrum since at least the 1970s—that's half a century. The roadway width was planned and developed by the County and the City to fit in a 100–120 ft. wide right-of-way but the planners didn't envision the residential development that grew up around it.

When I came into office, I started discussions with staff, the Planning Commission, and the Council about how to respect the need for transportation provided by the road, and the reality of the residences and families that lived there. It didn't make sense to me to have a five lane road there, but that's where we were headed; in fact, at the north end near 2400 South, that is what had already been built. So we contracted with an engineering firm to figure out how to balance those uses. The firm had an engineer

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### Truth in Taxation Hearing

NIBLEY CITY is proposing to increase its property tax revenue. All Nibley residents are invited to a public hearing concerning the proposed tax increase.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, August 26 at 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Nibley City Hall, Council Chambers; 455 West 3200 South, Nibley

- The NIBLEY CITY tax on a \$353,000 residence would increase from \$288.12 to \$323.65, which is \$35.53 per year.
- The NIBLEY CITY tax on a \$353,000 business would increase from \$523.85 to \$588.45, which is \$64.60 per year.

If the proposed budget is approved, Nibley City would increase its property tax budgeted revenue by 12.32% above last year's property tax budgeted revenue excluding eligible new growth.

To obtain more information regarding the tax increase, citizens may contact Nibley City at 752-0431.



#### Nibley City Office

455 West 3200 South  
Nibley, UT 84321

Ph: 752-0431 • Fax: 753-1510

Hours: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (Mon.–Fri.)

Visit the Nibley City website at

[www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com)

Nibley City is also on



Go to [www.facebook.com/nibley](http://www.facebook.com/nibley)

and our page

To contact Mayor Shaun Dustin  
[shaun@nibleycity.com](mailto:shaun@nibleycity.com)

If you have comments, or information that could be included in the newsletter, please contact [cheryl@nibleycity.com](mailto:cheryl@nibleycity.com).

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who specialized in the kinds of roadway design that use things like curbs and curves to keep speeds down and people safer. The engineer understood that Nibley didn't have a lot of pedestrians, but had a lot of kids and families that crossed that street who we needed to keep safe. The engineer proceeded to show us the data about roundabouts and how they allow you to move the same number of cars with fewer lanes and lower speeds. He showed us how to use curbing and bike lanes to reduce the amount of street kids have to cross to get safely to the other side. He helped us see how a narrower street uses less asphalt, so it's cheaper to plow in the winter and repair when the pavement wears out. We applied those principles to the whole 12th west corridor and the roundabout is the first part of that you will see.

<b>3200 South</b>
• Total project cost: \$1,500,000
• Nibley cost: \$1,000,000

I know roundabouts can be intimidating and we don't have a ton of experience with them, but the data show that they are safer for pedestrians and better for traffic.

The Cache County Council of Governments, a group that includes all the Mayor's in Cache Valley and the County Executive, saw the value in the project and gave us \$3,150,000 if we would chip in 7% of the project cost. Basically, we paid for the design, and the CCOG is going to pay for the construction.

I was riding my skateboard down 3200 south a few years ago and noticed that the road just seemed to be fall-

ing apart. I brought it up with our Public Works Director and he told me that the design from the initial 3200 south pavement was failing and would have to be redone. I didn't know what to do. We had about \$1,000,000 saved but we needed at least twice that much. I asked Justin to look into it. About a year later he told me about the gas main replacement (that we've all seen going on) and that the gas company would have to repave half the road because of the construction. He asked them what it would cost to get the other half done, and now for about what we had saved, 3200 south will be good for another 15-20 years. No tax increase, all paid out of savings.

<b>The New Light</b>
• Total project cost: \$1,400,000
• Nibley cost: \$0

A few years ago I was approached by representatives of Wesley Nelson Farms about annexing into Nibley. The Nelsons are one of the old families that built this part of the valley who wanted to be a part of what we were doing in Nibley. This last week, they agreed to rebuild 2600 South from 1200 West to Highway 89. UDOT has been planning two lights on the west side of Nibley for about 15 years. One is scheduled for 3200 South and we expect that to happen next year. The other is at 2600 South and that one will be built this fall. The agreement with Nelson Farms is that the road will be built at no cost to the Nibley taxpayers. As the developers, it's their responsibility to construct it.

**Mayor Dustin**

### Back to School

Nibley's CCSD schools will start **August 19, 2021**. TECS will start **August 18, 2021**. The roundabout at 3200 South and 1200 West, which mostly effects Heritage Elementary school, will not be finished. Kids walking to school should continue using normal routes. The city is working with road crews to ensure there are safe routes through the construction zone. There will be no changes to the school crossings until the roundabout is completed.

	<u>Start</u>	<u>End</u>	<u>Fri.</u>
Heritage & Nibley Elementary	9:05 a.m.	3:35 p.m.	2:20 p.m.
South Cache Middle	8:00 a.m.	2:45 p.m.	1:30 p.m.
Thomas Edison Charter	8:00 a.m.	2:55 p.m.	1:25 p.m.
Ridgeline High School	8:00 a.m.	2:45 p.m.	1:30 p.m.

Please take note of the individual start/end times for each school and take extra precautions when driving in school areas during these times. Nibley City's crossing guards do an excellent job and appreciate your attention. Please stay off of your phone while driving, especially while driving in school zones and crosswalks. Let's work together and keep our kids safe and have a great school year.

### Welcome to New Nibley City Staff



Say "Hello" to Amy Johnson, Nibley City's new City Treasurer. Amy is excited for the opportunity to serve our amazing residents as treasurer.

Amy, her husband and 5 children moved to Nibley 10 years ago. Amy said, "it felt like coming home to us. We have loved the great schools, rural lifestyle, and peaceful neighborhoods that we have found here. Even more than that, we have enjoyed our friendships with the citizens of Nibley through our involvement in school, community, and religious organizations."

Amy has a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from the University of Utah and has worked in a financial capacity for the Cache County School District for the last 7 years.

Amy shared, "Anyone who lives here knows that Nibley is a safe and special place. I look forward to serving in this wonderful city. Please let me know if I can ever be of assistance to you!"

## Recreation Roundup



**Back-To-School Movie in the Park**—Selected by our community through a poll on our Facebook page, this movie experience will be groovy! The Emperor's New Groove will be shown on **Friday, August 27**. Nibley City's creative recreation team have dreamed up some epic pre-show experiences. For this back-to-school movie in the park, schools that serve our community will be competing for points to exchange for use of the Nibley City gaga court at their school. Please talk with your school administration and/or PTA to learn how your school can score points towards days with the Nibley City gaga court.



**Scarecrow Fun Run**—Scheduled for **Saturday, October 9**, the Scarecrow Fun Run will include affordable 5k, 10k and 10k re-lay options as well as **FREE** kids runs and mile run.

**Youth Sports**—Nibley City Recreation launched its first season of Ultimate Frisbee in July with the season concluding in August. Nibley Recreation Fall Soccer season is from the middle of August-September. Flag Football season is from September-October. Registration is closed, but get added to the waitlist for a chance to play.



**Pickleball**—Nibley City is planning on launching a new youth pickleball program. Pickleball lessons will be offered by a trained Pickleball Specialist to 8–14-year-old kids. The date is TBD depending on when a Pickleball Specialist can be hired. Apply at [www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com).

**Adult Drop-In Soccer & Ultimate Frisbee**—Drop in on Nibley's Adult Soccer or Ultimate Frisbee nights this Fall (18+). Pay the \$1 entry fee for a day use jersey rental and you'll be ready to play. Each day will be a new group of people coming to play these awesome sports. For information on days and times visit [www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com).



Find the most up-to-date information on Nibley City recreation events & activities at [www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com) and [www.facebook.com/nibley](https://www.facebook.com/nibley)



## Niblettes in the News



Brian Larsen, a man of many talents, recently helped out during Nibley Heritage Days by creating his 3rd coloring contest page for Nibley City. Brian has been a resident of Nibley for the last 15 years and Cache Valley for 25 years. His artistic skills have always been a fun hobby that he's used throughout his life. In high school, he would airbrush cool band decals on friends' stonewashed jeans and jackets. In college, he was an art major for a year until he realized maybe it would only be a hobby. His family and friends now enjoy all of his cool art projects he gives as gifts, and hopefully all of the kids in Nibley have loved coloring the pages he has made for Heritage Days.

Brian is also a wonderful father to four kids; Lucy, Eli, Ruby, and Callie. He loves to spend time with them and his wife Emili. They enjoy doing just about anything together as a family; hiking, swimming, biking, fishing and any other adventure the kids can talk their dad into.

Brian graduated from USU with his Bachelors and Masters degrees and finished his education at Idaho State University, receiving his doctorate degree in Physical Therapy. He works as a physical therapist at USU Student Health Center. He's a talented therapist and hasn't met an ankle or shoulder that he couldn't fix. Brian loves to be around people and not only help them, but just take the time to get to know them. He is a very congenial person that people love to be around. If you see him around Nibley be sure to say hello and ask him about what artistic project he's currently working on.

## NYC 2021 Youth Council Openings

The Nibley Youth Council is a unique opportunity to learn more about the legislative process, serve our community, and to spend time with outstanding youth and adult leaders. You must be a Nibley City Nibley resident, enrolled in 10, 11 or 12 grade. Applications are **due ASAP**. Download an application at [www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com) or come into City Hall and pick one up. Contact Shauna Young at 770-7409 (Adult Leader) or Carter Hansen at 994-4009 (Youth Leader) with questions.



**Levi Roberts**  
City Planner  
levi@nibleycity.com

## Code Enforcement Corner

Recently, city staff, the Planning Commission and City Council have been working to improve a number of city codes. In particular, the following ordinances have been updated:

1. Accessory building setback standards: A minimum sideyard and rear yard setback of 10 feet was added for accessory buildings (sheds, shops, etc.) that are over 15 feet in height. This was enacted to mitigate impacts of adjacent neighbors.
2. An amendment to public noticing requirements so the city's procedures in line with state requirements.
3. A Rezone of a property at 4350 South Main St. from Residential to Commercial.
4. A Rezone of a property at 3105 South 700 West from Industrial to Residential.

The City is currently considering the following ordinance amendments:

1. A requirement for city staff review of lot line and parcel boundary adjustments to ensure compliance with the city's zoning Code.
2. Changes to the Animal Land Use ordinance, including potentially allowing miniature pigs in residential areas and other changes.

If you have any questions about these changes or any other questions regarding specific provisions of Nibley City Codes, please contact Levi Roberts.



## 3200 South/U.S. 91 Intersection Improvement Project

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) will hold an in-person open house and public hearing for the 3200 South/U.S. 91 Intersection Improvement Project on **Wednesday, August 25, 2021**, from 5:00–7:00 p.m. at the Nibley City Hall, Community Room.

An on-line open house and public hearing will be held on **Thursday, August 26**, at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Please visit the project website for a link to the online meeting. The same information will be presented for both the in-person and on-line meetings.

**Website:** [www.3200Sintersection.com](http://www.3200Sintersection.com)  
**Project Hotline:** 1-800-970-4843



## Reminders from Nibley City Staff

### Nibley's Water Rates

Nibley City has received a lot of questions about water rates this summer. The State of Utah passed a law that required cities to implement an increasing block culinary water rate structure to incentivize water conservation.

The Nibley City Council passed Resolution 20-07 on June 25, 2020. This Resolution sets the following water rates:

Base Rate	
1-in. meter	\$15.50 per connection
2-in. meter	\$35 per connection
3-in. meter	\$65 per connection
4-in. meter	\$90 per connection
5-in. meter	\$95 per connection
6-in. meter	\$105 per connection
Rates per 1,000 gallons:	
0-5,000	Included in base rate
5,000-40,000	\$1.05
40,000-65,000	\$1.10
65,000-100,000	\$1.15
100,000+	\$1.35

The average water user in the City will see a \$20-\$35 yearly increase.



### Emergency Medical Services Fee

Nibley has contracted with Cache County to provide essential emergency medical services for Nibley City residents. Nibley residents will have an even greater level of emergency service if you find yourself in a life threatening, emergency situation.

Unfortunately, this change comes at a cost. To cover this cost, the Nibley City Council passed a Resolution that will add an additional \$6/month fee on each residential and commercial utility bill. You may have already noticed this fee on your utility bills. If you have questions regarding this fee, please contact Nibley City staff.

### ENTERING FIREFLY PARK



### Nibley's Animal Residents

Please follow all posted signs and Nibley City's animal control laws or you could find yourself with a fine of \$150.

- You must clean up after your dog.
- Dogs are not allowed on any athletic field.
- Dogs must be on a leash and under owner control at all times when on public property.
- Dogs ARE NOT allowed in Firefly Park. Firefly Park is a special space intended to be a habitat and preservation space for native vegetation, insects, birds, and other wildlife. Unfortunately, dogs can be a nuisance in these natural spaces and are therefore not allowed.

—Nibley City Staff

## Happenin' in Hyrum

Nibley City contracts with the Hyrum Library, Hyrum Senior Citizen Center and Hyrum Museum. If you are a Nibley resident you are invited to participate in these services. You'll find information regarding Hyrum's contributions to Nibley's community below:



### The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-6411

The Hyrum Library is absolutely thrilled to open the Smithsonian's *H<sup>2</sup>O Today* on Saturday, August 14th. The museum will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and they'll have fun water-related activities, take-homes and calendars for the dozens of awesome activities and programming that will accompany this exhibition through January 2022 including their new exhibit *Bear River Boa Ogoi: The River is Life*, which explores the fascinating history of the Shoshone and shows how the band continues to maintain significant connections to the land. *H<sup>2</sup>O Today* is part of Think Water Utah, a statewide collaboration and conversation on the critical topic of water presented by Utah Humanities and the Bear River Heritage Area. With so many fun things going on, be sure to follow the museum on Instagram, Facebook, and follow the hashtag #ThinkWaterUtah to keep track of all the amazing events. In order to prepare for



the Smithsonian exhibition, the museum will be closed August 3-5.

### The Senior Center

675 East Main, Hyrum • 245-3570



The Hyrum Senior Center is open Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Lunches are served at 12:00 on Wednesdays and Fridays for \$3.00. All seniors are welcome, as are volunteers. Please come in for a tour. They look forward to spending time with you. They have a new cook, Heidi Coulam, who jointed them in July. Stop in and meet her.

The Senior Center is thankful for the valley seniors and volunteers during this past year and look forward to seeing you all again.

### August Senior Center Activities

Please note that times and dates may change for activities.

#### Mondays– No lunch is served.

- **Aug 9** Board and Advisory Board meeting 10:30 a.m.
- **Aug 16** Breakfast and Bingo at 10:30 a.m.
- **Aug 30** Breakfast and Bingo at 10:30 a.m.

#### Tuesdays–Yoga class from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Quilt tying from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Pool from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- **Aug 10** Tip Class at 11:00 a.m.

#### Wednesdays–Lunches at 12:00 p.m. for \$3.00.

- **Aug 4** Ice Cream Olympics at 12:00 p.m.
- **Aug 11** Cookout at Vicky's at 6:15 p.m. Please bring a chair if you can.
- **Aug 18** Musical program

#### Thursdays–No lunch is served

#### Fridays– Lunches at 12:00 p.m. for \$3.00.



### The Hyrum Library

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-6411 • hyrumlibrary@gmail.com  
\*Library hours and activities are subject to change without notice.

**Library Hours:** Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.  
Saturday 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

The library is operating as normal; however, they do encourage those who are feeling sick to stay home and utilize contactless hold pick-up.

**Contactless hold pick-up:** Simply login to your library account, place items on hold (all holds are pulled before 10:00 a.m. the next day). Once you receive an email that they are ready for pick up. Simply call the library when you arrive and they will place them outside by the main doors of the library. For the most up-to-date information on the Hyrum library, like the library on all social media platforms @hyrumlibrary.

