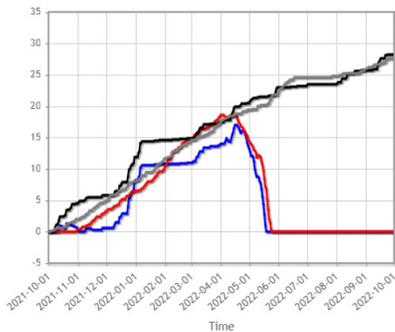




# The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—November 2022

## Mayor Jacobsen's Message



that is not related to snow.

There wouldn't be a Nibley without water for irrigation and culinary uses. We are fortunate to have access to water that not only comes directly as rain, but more importantly, from snow that accumulates in the mountains that surround Cache Valley. While a lot of the water in the snowpack runs past Nibley during the spring runoff, a significant amount soaks into the soil. That water percolates through the strata to sustain flows in the Blacksmith River throughout the year for irrigation, and it supplies water to springs and deeper aquifers. Nibley City pumps water from those deeper aquifers, ensures it is safe to drink, and puts that water in pipes that run to our homes. Snowfall is the source of much of our water, and our mountainous geology stores that water for use throughout the year. Pretty neat system.

Because water from snow is so important to us, we want to know how much water is accumulating in the snowpack in the mountains. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) makes those measurements at various locations available to meteorologists who forecast water supplies, and even more fun, to the public. The above graph shows last year's accumulated precipitation, along with the snowpack water at Bug Lake. The y-axis is inches of water. This site is east of Nibley and near the boundary between Cache and Rich Counties. It is one of the many locations that meteorologists use to forecast our water supply. As you know, we are in an historic drought throughout the western US. However, last year's precipitation (rain and snow) at this site (the black line) was very close to normal (the grey line). Last year's snowpack water (in blue) was about 75 percent below normal (in red). There is lots of discussion to be had about the data at this site, and more importantly, the trends over time along with trends from additional sites. This article won't go into all that. However, if you want to "keep score" at Bug Lake this winter, here is link to the NRCS data <https://tinyurl.com/Bug-Lake-Snow>. It's early in the water year, so there's not much to see yet. However, that will change with time. Let's hope for a good snow year.

The second topic for this article is not related to snow. If you follow my on-line status reports (the *Mayor's Journal* on [www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com)), then you likely know that we have applied for funding to build 1200 West through a county-wide, voter-approved, local-option sales tax. We submitted three separate

This month's newsletter topic – snow and winter – is a great one for me. In my other life, away from city hall, I work on environmental instrumentation for a local company. For better or worse, some of my nerdiness might show through in this article. Even if data and graphs aren't your thing, I hope you will keep reading to the end to see some exciting news for Nibley



### Nibley City Hall Closed

Nibley City Hall will be closed Friday, November, 11 for Veterans Day. Veterans Day honors military veterans of the United States Armed Forces. If you get the opportunity, be sure to thank a veteran on Veterans Day.

### City Council Schedule

During the month of November, the Nibley City Council has one meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 10, 2022. Meetings are typically the second and fourth Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.



### Nibley City Office

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Nibley, UT 84321 • Ph: 752-0431  
Hours: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (Mon.–Fri.)

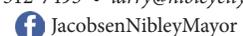
Visit the Nibley City website at  
[www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com)

Nibley City is also on



Go to [www.facebook.com/nibley](http://www.facebook.com/nibley)  
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To contact Mayor Larry Jacobsen  
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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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**GOAL FOR NOVEMBER**

Remember important items that may be overlooked when leaving your home in a disaster.



An Emergency is easier to handle when you have prepared ahead of time. Put together an emergency kit with important items to keep at home, and a go bag with items you will need to take with you if you evacuate. Think about what you and your family would need in a disaster. You can make kits for your home, car or workplace. Emergencies can happen anywhere.

When severe weather is predicted, make sure your car has a full tank of gas. You don't want to wait in line for gas if you are told to evacuate. Some storms may also knock out electricity, causing gas stations to close.

**TASKS**

- Gather emergency supplies in an accessible place.
- Create an emergency supply kit for your pet, your car, and your workplace or school.
- Stash some cash in case ATMs and credit card machines are not usable in a disaster.

You can find more information on this month's *1 thing* by going to [www.do1thing.com](http://www.do1thing.com). You can also sign up to receive an e-mail outlining the things you can do each month to be prepared for an emergency. Every month has a low or no-cost option.



**Report Illegal Discharge to Nibley City 435-752-0431**

**Cleaner Street, Cleaner Water**—Nibley City's storm drainage system is designed to efficiently carry rain and snowmelt away from our streets and homes. Storm drainage inlets are the grates or openings usually located in the street near the curb. Storm drains ARE NOT connected to sewage treatment plants, so all storm water, and the litter it carries from the streets, goes straight to our streams, creeks, rivers, and lakes. Litter adds bacteria and nutrients that hurt water quality, damages the environment, and creates unhealthy conditions for animals and humans.



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**You Can Help!**—Please keep trash and debris, automobile fluids, leaf litter and organic matter off the streets. *Remember . . . the drain is just for rain . . . and sometimes snow.*

**Reminders from Nibley City Staff**

**Winter Parking**

Winter parking regulations are now being enforced. Be sure to keep your vehicles off the street between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. to avoid a parking ticket.

Winter parking regulations were enacted to keep streets clear should Nibley's Public Works department need to clear the roadways after a storm. This ordinance applies whether or not there is snow on the ground.

**Nibley's Greenwaste Location**

The green waste dump site at 3390 South 1200 West will close November 18. It will open again in the Spring. Likewise, green waste cans will not be picked up after November 18.

You must now take your greenwaste, including leaves and tree trimmings, to the Logan City Green Waste facility located at 153 North 1400 West. The Logan facility is open year-round and there is no charge for dropping off greenwaste.

**Hunting**

It is against the law to discharge a firearm within 600 feet of a residence within Nibley City limits.

Hunting or harassing wildlife is also forbidden on all City property. Ordinance 13-04 prohibits hunting on property owned by Nibley City and states, "Hunting, as defined in §23-13-2, Utah Code Annotated, which shall include hunting with firearms or with bows, each as defined by the laws of the State of Utah, . . . is prohibited on properties owned by Nibley City."

—Nibley City Staff

**Cache Valley Wildlife Association**

**Why Did the Woolly Bear Caterpillar Cross the Road?**



Most of us have heard the recent push to "Leave your Leaves" for the sake of many of our declining insect species who use the leaf layer to overwinter.

This also benefits other wildlife by providing food and shelter. Pictured is a specific reason to *Leave your Leaves* . . . the fuzzy woolly bear caterpillar.

In late fall, the harmless and captivating fuzzy woolly bear caterpillar crawls across sidewalks and roads looking for shelter under the leaf layer where they will hibernate for the winter. In spring, they spin a cocoon and later, emerge as an Isabella tiger moth. This is true of many of our beneficial native bees, butterflies, and other insects that serve as critical pollinators for the food we eat and the flowers we enjoy.

As an added benefit, raking the leaves into your gardens eliminates the need (and effort) to dispose of them and provides excellent compost and protection for your gardens. Think of the woolly bear!

Becky Yeager

## Now is the Time - Register Your Dog



Did these adorable puppies grab your attention? . . . Good! Their furry faces should remind you that it's time to renew your 2023 dog license. Renew between now and December 31, 2022 to qualify for early-bird pricing (which is a \$10 discount). This year when you register your dog during the discount period you'll be entered into a prize drawing and we swear on these adorable puppies that you'll want one of the prizes that our animal licensing staff has lined up. Watch for prize drawing details in December's Newsletter.



2023 dog licensing fees are as follow:

	Early-bird Fee	Regular Fee
Spayed/neutered	\$15	\$25
Unaltered	\$25	\$35

If needed, please provide proof of your current rabies vaccination during registration. It may not be well known, but rabies is a fatal but preventable viral disease. Part of the reason Nibley City requires ALL dogs to be registered is to ensure our canine population is rabies vaccinated. The other reason Nibley City requires dog registration is to collect the fees needed to pay our annual contract with Cache County Animal Control, which is basically animal law enforcement. Even with the registrations that are collected, Nibley City has to subsidize a portion of this annual contract price. We encourage all residents who have a dog to ensure their "best friend" is registered with Nibley City to do their part in providing animal control services.

Your dog must be licensed with the city within 30 days of moving into city limits or at 6 months of age.



## Fraud Hotline



Nibley City takes the responsibility of the proper use of government funds as one of its highest priorities.

The fraud hotline provides an avenue for citizens, including public employees and contractors, to report improper governmental activities. Complainants may call the Utah Public Assistance Fraud hotline at 800-955-2210 or email [wsinv@utah.gov](mailto:wsinv@utah.gov). Please call the Nibley City offices if you'd like more information.

## Nibley City Employees in the Spotlight



Join us in welcoming Tom Dickinson, our City Engineer and the newest acquisition, to the Nibley City team.

Tom was born and raised in the Bay Area of California and is the dad to two boys (22 and 30) and husband to one wife—Regina. Tom started working construction at the age of 16 as a laborer and continued building until his body said it could no longer participate in the trades. He and his family "temporarily" moved to Logan for a job with Logan City where he worked in several different capacities for 25 years but Cache Valley captured their hearts as soon as they came through the mouth of Sardine Canyon and they just couldn't leave.

Tom's latest position at Logan City was as the Assistant City Engineer. He was part of a team that worked on projects such as the Center Street renovation, the demolition of the Emporium building on Main Street, the design team of a new 10-million-gallon water tank and transmission line, and several roadway, water, sewer, stormwater, and other infrastructure design and construction projects.

Tom let us know he is excited to be with Nibley City and to be part of a fantastic team of coworkers. He said, *"Bar none, Nibley has the best employees I've ever encountered. They are dedicated and committed to providing top notch service to Nibley City. As the new City Engineer, I hope to make valuable contribution to the community and citizens of Nibley utilizing my education and experience in construction, engineering, development review, and project management. If you're in the area, stop by and introduce yourself- I'd love to meet you!"*



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applications in three phases and were successful on two of them. In addition, we have an excellent chance of funding the third phase next year. The first two phases represent 3.4 million dollars coming to Nibley City to build a local, neighborhood and commuter-friendly, 35 mph road – complete with walking trails and separated bike paths. This is great news for us. 1200 West has been part of our road planning for more than twenty years, both locally and regionally, and this new funding continues work from the realignment and roundabout at 3200 South. I can't wait to have this new road.

I am always eager to hear from you,

Larry

Recreation Roundup



**Thank You Volunteers!**— Thank you to the amazing fall event volunteers that helped Nibley connect our community and provide FREE and affordable family fun to support our mental, physical, and emotional health and wellness. The Scarecrow Fun Run, Halloween Decorating Contest/SPOOKtacular Tour, Halloween BOONanza, and Ultimate Frisbee Showcase Game, would not have been possible without support from our Nibley Youth Council, Nibley Royalty, Nibley Children’s Theater, the Bear River Health Department, Cache Valley Ultimate, our Parks and Recreation Committee, and other outstanding community members.



**Thanks Coach!**—Our Nibley City recreation youth sports have expanded exponentially, and every year participants of our fall soccer and flag football have expanded their skills, had fun, and learned important life lessons. These programs are only possible with the support of the amazing coaches that step up every year to provide an exceptional experience. These coaches are also supported by wonderful parents, and team managers that keep everyone informed and on track. Thanks to everyone involved in our youth programs.



**Nibley Fit**—Stay up to date on all things Nibley Fit through Nibley Fit Social Media on Facebook ("Nibley Fit") and Instagram ("nibleyfit") and on the Nibley City website. Soon these sites will let you know about a FREE class on Thanksgiving that includes a drawing for pies and Nibley Fit Christmas Bingo. Nibley Fit social media will also provide motivation, especially through the holidays.

**Christmas Decortating Contest & Nibley Lights Tour**—Nibley residents have impressive skills in holiday exterior illumination and yard decorating. Nibley’s Christmas Decorating Contest and Nibley Lights Tour gives us an opportunity to honor exceptional work that everyone in our community can enjoy. If you want a chance to deLIGHT your family, neighbors, friends and our community, please register your entry to share your work through this contest. This year judges have requested a slightly different format to help entries focus their



presentations. Every entry will be eligible for the “Overall Presentation” awards, but judges have asked that each entry select an award category they are presenting. Entries will be eligible for only one award and the categories include: Best Theme, Griswold, Special Effects, and Classic Christmas (see detailed description on the contest webpage). For those interested in entering, start planning NOW. Entries are due **Tuesday, November 29.**

**Youth Sports for Christmas**—Give the gift of a Nibley Recreation Youth Sports experience for Christmas. Watch Nibley City’s social media and website for an opportunity to pre-purchase a youth sports registration at the early bird discount; well before the registration period for a given sport. You’ll also receive a FREE gift that you can put under the tree for each sport you register your child for. This has been a big hit for parents, grandparents, and players and gives your child something to look forward to next year.

**Nordic Track**—Please watch for updates on Nibley City social media and at [www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com).



**Chad Wright**  
Nibley Recreation  
Director

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)



## Happenin' in Hyrum

### The Senior Center

675 East Main, Hyrum • 245-3570

Please note that times and dates may change for activities.

The Hyrum Senior Center is open to ALL seniors Monday–Friday from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Please call if you'd like to join us for lunch on Wednesdays and Fridays.



### "All Wrapped Up"

The Senior Center's annual craft fair December 2–3 with trees, baskets, quilts, gifts, food, and treats. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

### Mondays–Pool at 9:00 a.m.

- Nov 7 Board & Advisory Meeting at 1:00 p.m.
- Nov 14 Breakfast & Bingo at 10:30 a.m.; \$2.00

### Tuesdays– Pool at 9:00 a.m.; Yoga at 9:30 a.m.

- Nov 8 Bunco and lunch for \$2.00; 11:00 a.m.
- Nov 15 There is no yoga these days & 29

### Wednesdays–Lunches at 12:00 p.m. Programs are after lunch.

- Nov 2 Fall Facedown game
- Nov 9 Travel to Egypt; Brad & Terri Peterson
- Nov 16 Day of Thanks
- Nov 23 CLOSED
- Nov 23 Craft Fair setup–no lunch or activity

### Thursdays–No lunch is served

- Nov 3, 10, 17 workdays
- Nov 24 CLOSED

### Fridays– Bingo at 10:30; lunches at 12:00 p.m.

- Nov 18 White Elephant Bingo



### The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-0208  
museum@hyrumcity.com

The museum is thrilled to host the traveling exhibit "Legacy of Leadership" as Utah prepares to send a statue of Martha Hughes Cannon, a frontier doctor, suffragist, and first female State Senator in the nation, to represent Utah in the United States Capitol. Join them on **November 12** from **10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** for the exhibit's grand opening. The exhibit, which honors Martha and Utah women's rich legacy of leadership, will only be at the museum through **Thursday, December 15.**

During the "Sound the Cannon" Back in Time children's activity you will explore the Martha Hughes Cannon exhibit and complete an art activity to learn more about Martha. All children are welcome to attend **November 15–17** from **1:00–1:30 p.m.** each day. Sign-up is encouraged!

The season's first FREE Family Movie Night will be **Friday, November 4** at the Elite Hall. The museum will be showing DC League of Super Pets on the big screen. Doors open at **6:30 p.m.** and the movie will begin at **7:00 p.m.**



### 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.

- **Toddler Story time (ages 0-3)\*:** Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- **Preschool Story time (ages 3-5)\*:** Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Join them for fun books, songs, and even fun activities.
- **Lego's @ the Library:** Wednesday 16 from 4-5 p.m. in the Storytime room. Ages 5+. They supply the Legos, you supply the imagination!
- **Magic Tree House Adventure Club:** (Sign up is required): Nov. 4 or the 21 at 3:30 p.m. The book that will be discussed is Magic Tree House #27 "Thanksgiving on Thursday".
- **Family Movie & Popcorn:** Monday, Nov. 7 at 4:00 p.m. in the Storytime Room. Watch "Paws of Fury: The Legend of Hank". Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.
- **Teen Book Club:** Wednesday, Nov. 16 from 3:30–4:30 p.m. What do you like? What do you recommend? They want to hear it all.
- **Adult Program–Book Club:** Join a book discussion on your favorite book on Tuesday, Nov. 22 at 11:00 a.m.

The Library will be **CLOSED** on **Friday, November 11** for Veterans Day and **November 24–26** for the Thanksgiving holiday. Book drops will also be closed on these days.

\* During the holiday season, stories could feature religious undertones, and feature stories about Santa Claus. All stories read will be listed the week prior to being read in story time.