



The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—February 2025

Mayor Jacobsen's Message



This month's newsletter focuses on some of the favorite members of our families and community: the ones with fur, hair, and feathers. Look at these "kids" that live in the pasture behind our house. How can you not like these guys? Could they ever not be welcomed by everyone in the neighborhood? The answer is, yes. If left to their own devices, these goats could cause big problems. For example, if they escaped from the pasture and started munching on our neighbors' flowers and trees, they (along with Becky and me) would be in trouble. Although this gang of goats keep each other company most of the time, when one goat can't find the others, they make noise calling for their buddies. Becky and I don't like to remember the small, neutered, male goat (called a wether) that somehow grew up to act (and smell) like an unwethered male goat, despite the veterinary procedure that should have taken care of that. We had to find a new home with far away neighbors for that goat. I mentioned in the February 2024 newsletter that a citizen committee, along with the Nibley Planning Commission and City Council, worked last year to overhaul the city ordinance that regulates animals. It is a difficult task to make rules about the animals that we keep and include as members of our families. David Church, retired legal counsel for the Utah League of Cities and Towns used to talk about how coercive (bossy) local governments are. They make rules about the size, setbacks, and frontage of the lot where you live, the maximum height of your house, the number of outbuildings you can have, and even how many dogs you can have! No doubt, we give up some individual rights when we choose to live in a community.

Rules don't stop at pets. As a community, we make rules that set expectations about how to be a good neighbor, and it can be a challenge to decide the specific rules that draw the line between your rights and the rights of your neighbors. Things often look different from two different sides of a property line. With a commitment to a healthy and orderly community, the Nibley City Council, myself included, have asked staff to enforce the city's ordinances for years. Lately, it seems there is increased frustration from individuals who feel wronged by the process that enforces our code. I understand that frustration, and I hope you understand that the council's goal is to find the right code that will help us live together in the same community. If we have the incorrect code, there is a way to remedy that. Please let me, or any other council member, know where you feel wronged by Nibley's existing code. The open-forum public comment period at the beginning of each council meeting is a good place to initiate a process that could lead to a policy discussion and possible ordinance

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Dog Registration



It's time to renew your dog's 2025 license! Yes, you must renew your license each year, but we've made it more convenient with dog registration now entirely online.

How to Register/Renew:

- New dog licenses can be processed at any time through the Nibley City website nibleycity.gov → Citizens → Dog Licensing.
- If you already have a current license, you will receive an email with a link to renew it online via Civic Review.

Important Dates:

- Current dog licenses expire on February 28th.
- Renewal period: You can renew your dog's license now through February 28, 2025, to receive early-bird pricing, which includes a \$10 discount.

Requirements:

- Proof of current rabies vaccination is required for registration.

For any questions or assistance, feel free to contact Nibley City Hall or visit www.nibleycity.gov.



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

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www.nibleycity.gov

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If you have comments, or information that could be included in the newsletter, please contact cheryl@nibleycity.gov.



4-H Livestock Spaces—Morgan Farm invites our community young people, ages 8-18, to apply for the opportunity to raise a 4-H livestock animal for the fair at Morgan Farm. This hands-on experience teaches valuable skills in animal care, responsibility, and teamwork while allowing you to form a bond with your farm animal. Whether you're interested in learning about feeding, grooming, or even showing your animal, this program is a great way to get involved, gain confidence, and make lasting memories. Fill out an application today and become part of a supportive, fun, and educational farming experience! Please email roxiechristensen@gmail.com or call (435) 757-4548 to get your application. Applications are due on **February 23, 2025**.

Garden Plots—Grow your own veggies this summer! The Morgan Farm has raised garden beds available for rent. Choose between an 8 x 4 bed for \$25, a 4 x 4 bed for \$15, or rent a combination. Each box comes with an irrigation system to make watering a breeze. There are also two wheelchair-accessible beds to ensure everyone can enjoy gardening. At the end of the season, you'll be responsible for cleaning up your garden space. Morgan Farm doesn't have a start date but will send more details via email. For more information or to reserve a box, contact Savannah at savannahchristensen@gmail.com or call/text at (435) 994-7832 by **March 1**.



GOAL FOR FEBRUARY

HAVE 72 HOURS OF WATER STORED FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD

- Purchase and store a 72-hour supply of commercially bottled water
- Bottle a 72-hour supply of water at home
- Learn how to provide a safe supply of drinking water for your household in a disaster

Go to www.do1thing.com for more information.

Reminders from Nibley City Staff



Closed

Nibley City Hall will be closed **Monday, February 17, 2025** for Presidents' Day.

Dogs in Parks

As a reminder, Nibley City Parks ordinance allows for dogs on a leash in our parks. However, there are a few places where even leashed dogs are NOT allowed:

1. Firefly park (a nature park west of Virgil Gibbons Heritage Park). We do NOT allow dogs even if they are on a leash to help preserve the wildlife in the nature park, especially migratory birds, including but not limited to ground nesting birds.
2. On designated sports fields and courts. Players, parents, and coaches do NOT want to play on athletic fields with dog waste or urine. Even if the dog owner cleans up the mess on a sports field or court, dogs naturally want to go where another dog has "marked" the field.

We appreciate responsible dog owners that clean up after their pet(s) and follow our rules and laws but if you see community members violating our parks ordinance, please report it immediately to Cache County Animal Control (753-7555). We encourage you to get out and about in our community and at our parks with your dog.

—Nibley City Staff



Cache Valley Wildlife Association

Nibley resident, Lauren Chapman (2nd from right), recently completed her Eagle Scout project (Troops 1 and 2119). Lauren planned and completed enhancements to the native plant habitat at Firefly Park (next to the Outdoor Classroom) and helped design an interactive educational sign for this soon-to-come learning station. She showed great determination and leadership skills for this "oversized" project. Nibley City is proud of her accomplishment in the scouting program and grateful for her efforts to improve on our native plant and pollinator habitats at Firefly Park. Shown with parents, Troy and Pam, and brother, Logan.

Your Input is Needed!—Public Meeting



The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), in partnership with Cache County and local municipalities, is evaluating improvements to enhance mobility on US-89/91 (Logan Main Street).

The study area includes US-89/91, adjacent state routes and local roadways with the goal of identifying potential traffic and non-motorized solutions for the community.

You are invited to a public meeting to review the recommended improvements for the corridor and provide feedback to the study team.

When: Tuesday, Feb. 25, from 4:30–6:30 p.m.

Where: Mount Logan Middle School
875 North 200 East
Logan, UT 84321

If you cannot attend the in-person meeting, please visit udotinput.utah.gov/us91study to learn more about the recommended improvements and provide feedback. The public comment period is open from Tuesday, February 18, through Tuesday, March 18.

From Cache County Animal Control

The Cache County Sheriff's Animal Services reminds us that a license attached to a dog's collar allows Animal Control to return your pet to your home quickly without the animal being impounded at the shelter.

When winter temperatures go below 32° small dogs and short coat breeds are particularly susceptible to colder weather. It is advised that these animals have access to a shelter that is insulated and off the ground or be outside no longer than 30 minutes.

Animal Control currently does not respond to calls involving feral cats unless the animal is sick, injured, or was involved in a bite on a human being. Traps are available as a self service option, if available.

Finally, if you suspect torture of an animal, or animal abuse, please contact dispatch at 435-753-7555.

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change at a future meeting. The Utah Open Public Meetings Act (a great piece of State code, in my opinion) does not allow the council to discuss policy without giving notice to the public of that discussion. Therefore, this open forum can be a good place to start, but not finish, the discussion. I, and other council members, are committed to being accessible to the citizens of Nibley. That accessibility does not guarantee a code change will result, but it does guarantee we will hear your point of view.

Please let us know about the good and the bad,

Larry

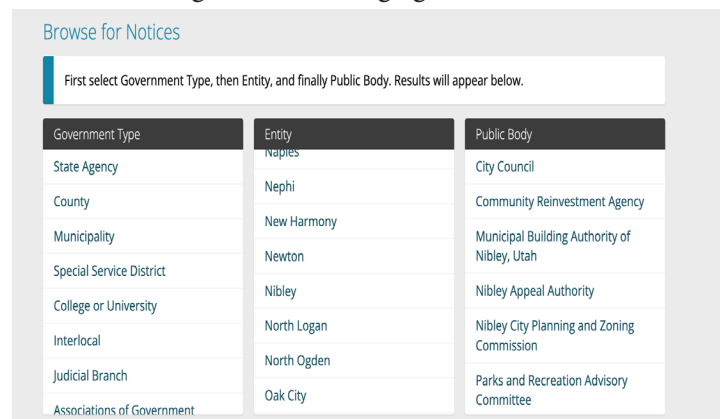


Be "In The Know"

"The Utah Public Notice Website is dedicated to bringing greater accessibility to public notice information and increased participation by the public. It is a central source for all public notice information statewide, provided in a standardized format for publishing. It allows the public to subscribe by email to a Body to receive its notices and updates. . . . Public notice informs members of the general public of government or government-related activities which may concern their local area, municipality, county, or state."

If you'd like to be "in the know" of everything being discussed and decided by any of our Nibley City public bodies, including the Nibley City Council, you are encouraged to go to the Utah Public Notice website and sign up for notifications. If you do this, you'll receive an email and a link each time an agenda is posted for the public body discussion(s) you are interested in.

To sign up for notifications go to Utah.gov/pmnl/ or search for Utah Public Notice in your favorite web browser. Then, scroll down to "Browse for Notices" and click on "Municipality", "Nibley City", and then the public body you would like to receive notices for. Once you find the public body you are interested in, you click on it and will be taken to a list of that body's notices, both past and future. If you click on one of the notices you'll see a blue button that reads "Subscribe to Public Body" and you be prompted to enter your name and email address. Voila! That's it. You'll be notified of the public body's meetings and even changes to a meeting agenda.



In February the Nibley City Council will meet on Thursday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. The Nibley City Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, February 6 and Thursday, February 27.

Recreation Roundup



Indoor Recreation Center—Nibley City has sponsored a study to explore the possibility of creating an indoor recreation and wellness center. This is a complicated question that is too expensive to get wrong, so Nibley has hired a professional team of consultants with experience, resources, and tools to explore critical questions in detail. Surrounding communities are currently participating in a survey to share their interests and preferences related to a South Valley Recreation Center in an effort to catch up with what we already know about Nibley resident's interest. Please encourage your friends and associates outside of Nibley to complete the survey. If you missed previous Nibley surveys about indoor recreation or would like to restate, or emphasize your view regarding the question please feel free to take the survey found at www.RecCenterStudy.info.

SUPER START Soccer & T-ball—SUPER START programs are for 3 and 4-year-olds and follow a plan to keep the player's attention while rotating through skill stations with their team. Soccer is held on Wednesday evenings. Registration is open now and closes on Feb. 4 or when filled. SUPER START T-ball registration is now through March 4th, or once filled. If session(s) are full please sign up for a different time or join the waitlist.

Nibley Youth Soccer (PreK-12th)—**Registration ends February 25**—Register on or before Feb. 18 to take advantage of the early bird price. Nibley Rec Soccer is designed to match the attention span and motor skill development for every age group and further sets itself apart from others with an amazing end of season experience, including a parents' game for all leagues, and an end of season game experience you and your children will never forget.

Baseball, Softball, T-Ball (PreK-12th)—**Registration open Feb. 12 through March 18**—Don't miss out on the Early Bird pricing and register on or before March 11. Nibley City leagues will NOT overlap with soccer games for the same age group. Nibley Rec coaches are trained to make both practices/games safe and fun. Count on your child making new friends as they learn the FUNdamentals of our "National Pastime."

Outdoor Recreation & Summer Camps—Watch for a survey on Nibley's website and social media pages about interest in outdoor recreation programs and summer camps. If your children participate in our programs, you

will receive an email and text asking you to complete a brief survey. Nibley Rec is exploring interests to research sustainable options and identify needed resources.

Update Your Family Calendar for 2025—If you find it hard to juggle all the sports, registration dates, and season dates with Nibley Rec, we can help you. Scan the QR code to see the 2025 Youth Sports year at a glance, which includes projected sports, age groups/leagues, registration dates and expected season dates.



Nibley Fit—February—Nibley Fit has a Love Yourself Challenge. Challenge cards will be available starting Feb. 1 and the challenge ends on Feb. 14. Participants should turn in their card on Feb. 16 to be entered to win some fun prizes. Share the love of Nibley Fit with your friends and family and Nibley Fit will show love to all pass holders (including drop-in passes) by allowing you to bring a **FREE** guest on Feb. 3-14. If you bring a friend or spouse to class on Valentine's Day, our instructors have some fun workouts planned you are going to LOVE!

March—Its your LUCKY DAY! Nibley Fit is offering half-off a March monthly pass when purchased between Mar. 3-7. This means \$10 for unlimited classes for all of March.

Nibley Royalty Academy—February 21 is the last day to register—Register online at www.nibleycity.gov. The Academy starts in the spring and is available to young ladies who are residents of Nibley City and who attend K-11th grade. The program aims to cultivate personal growth on several levels and participants learn stage presence, interviewing skills and a dance routine. Senior Royalty (7th-11th Grades) will have the opportunity to learn the value of community service throughout the year through their support of exciting Nibley City events.



Save the Date

- Nibley's HOPstacle Run will be on Saturday, April 19, 2024 The HOPstacle 5K event registration is already open.
- Heritage Days: Schedule your camps, reunions, and vacations around this exciting week in Nibley.



June 14-21



Chad Wright
Nibley Recreation
Director

Find the most up-to-date information on Nibley City recreation events & activities @ www.nibleycity.com and www.facebook.com/nibley



Happenin' in Hyrum

The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-0208 • M-Th; 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. •
museum@hyrumcity.com

Join the Museum for their Super Saturday on **February 22** from **10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** They will be highlighting their exhibit, "*Blacksmith Fork Canyon: A Community Resource*" and will have a fun art activity for everyone. Then you can learn more about the elk at Hardware Ranch during the Museum's Back in Time children's activity, "*Have you HERD?*" on **February 25-27** from **1:00-1:30 p.m.** each day. All children are welcome and sign-up is appreciated.

Finally, the Museum is excited to announce the museum's 12th annual car show fundraiser, *Hot Wheels in Hyrum*, will be on **Saturday, June 7** at the Hyrum City Square. The Museum is currently taking applications for food vendors and looking for sponsors. Visit the museum's website or contact Courtney at courtney.cochley@hyrumcity.gov for more information. Vehicle registration is open and available at the museum or at hyrumcitymuseum.org.

Hyrum Heritage Foundation

Bring your sweetheart to the valley's best big band music event of the year—*Jazz Nights at Elite Hall*—on **February 13, 14, & 15**. The Elite Hall is thrilled to host the USU jazz orchestra and ensemble for three evenings of incredible big band music and dancing. Dances start each night at **7:00 p.m.** and tickets are only \$15 (\$10 with student ID)! Free dance lessons begin at 6:00 pm. Dinner is available Friday and Saturday for \$30 (includes dance ticket). This is the event to attend if you want to experience dancing on the Elite Hall's amazing spring-loaded floor! Don't miss it!



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.



February brings amnesty month: For the month of February all library fines can be "paid" with nonperishable food. All items collected will be donated to the Cache Valley Food Bank. For more information and to ask any questions please contact the library.

- **CLOSED:** Mon. Feb. 3 @ 5:00 p.m. for staff meeting
Mon. Feb. 17 for Presidents' Day
- **Story Time:** Mondays at 10:30 and 11:00 a.m. or Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. No ages

groups! Pick a time that works best for you. Each time will feature the same stories. On February 19 an additional session will be added at 11:30 a.m. Each time will feature the same stories.

- **CAPSA Story Time:** Wed. Feb. 5th at 11:00 a.m. Join the library for an empowerment story time presented by CAPSA. A craft and activity will be provided.
- **Magic Tree House Adventure Club:** (Sign up is required and opens Jan. 27) Fri. Feb. 7th or 21th at 3:30 p.m. The book that will be discussed is *Magic Tree House #14: Day of the Dragon King*. If you need a copy, just ask at the Library main desk.
- **Food, Fun, and Reading (PreK-2nd):** Wed., Feb. 12th at 4:00 p.m. USU Extension will be there to teach all about MyPlate. Each class will focus on a different food group, why different foods are important in our diet, and a fun activity.
- **Nature Tales Story Time:** Fri. Feb. 14 at 11:00 a.m. Stokes Nature Center is hosting a nature story time, join us for stories, and an activity.
- **Art Time! (Ages 5-11):** Tues., Feb. 11th from 4-5 p.m. Stop in at any time during the hour, and make Valentine's bees. (While supplies last)
- **Lego's @ the library:** Wed. Feb. 5th and 19th from 4:00-5 p.m. in the Storytime room. Ages 5+. We supply the Legos, you supply the imagination!

Teen Programs:

- **Fan Art Contest:** For the month of February, submit a drawing, or painting of your favorite characters from books, video games, TV shows, or movies. Winners will be decided at the beginning of March. All art will be displayed in the Teen Zone.
- **Chess & Checkers Club:** Fri., Feb. 7th from 4-5 p.m. in the library meeting room.
- **TAC (Teen Advisory Committee) Meeting:** Thurs. Feb. 13th at 3:30 p.m. If you would like to join TAC, stop in the library and ask for Deonna.
- **Teen Book Club:** Thurs., Feb. 20th from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Come and discuss your favorite book. Snacks will be provided.
- **Teen Activity:** Fri. Feb. 28th from 4- p.m. TBA

Adult Programs:

- **Book Club (Ages 18+):** Tues., Feb. 11th at 11:00 a.m. Join the discussion on *The Echo of Old Books*.
- **Write @ Night:** Thurs., Feb. 20th at 5:00 p.m. Enjoy a writing workshop and then enjoy free time for writing.

Family Programs:

- **Family Movie & Popcorn:** Mon., Feb. 10th at 4:00 p.m. in the Storytime room. The movie is *Gnomeo & Juliet*. Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.