Being a Good Neighbor – Updated Nuisance Ordinance

With very few exceptions, everyone in West Bountiful wants the same thing: peace and enjoyment at home and a beautiful community for which we can all be proud. To reach those goals we all have to do our part by being good neighbors. Good neighbors think about how their actions and properties affect those around them. Good neighbors reach out to help those who need assistance in taking care of their homes. Good neighbors work together as a community.

As laws can help set minimum standards and encourage us to be good neighbors, the West Bountiful City Council recently updated the City’s nuisance ordinance. The updates attempt to establish clear standards for what constitute a nuisance, put a strong emphasis on voluntary compliance, and ensure that those who are cited for nuisance problems are treated fairly.

So how can we all work to be good neighbors? Here are some of the updated standards in the ordinance:

- **Weeds** – If only weeds were worth their weight in gold! Staying on top of weeds early in the year can help protect against fire dangers and help to stop them from spreading.
- **Other Vegetation** – Bushes, trees, and other plants that block sidewalks and roads can constitute a real danger.
- **Junk** – One man’s junk is another man’s treasure, but if abandoned furniture or discarded scrap materials are left out, they are not only unsightly, but attract rodents and mosquitoes.
- **Abandoned/Unregistered Vehicles** – Like junk mentioned above, let’s keep these out of public sight.
- You can read the full ordinance on the City’s website at wbcity.org

The West Bountiful City staff will not be actively patrolling for nuisances, but as they come to the City’s attention, staff will be using new tools to encourage folks to comply with the standards. One of these tools is a Voluntary Compliance Contract, where staff will work together with a resident to set reasonable conditions for what needs to be done to solve a nuisance along with a workable timeline. In the very few cases when solutions can’t be found, the new ordinance also sets a clear process for imposing fees to help address problems.

It can be quite tragic when close neighbors let nuisances get between them, and it is also very sad when whole communities let themselves fall into disrepair. The city government can’t prevent either of these from happening – a good, strong community has to come from the residents themselves. West Bountiful City will work to assist our wonderful residents to keep West Bountiful safe and beautiful. We all have an obligation to protect our hidden gem from nuisances. Let’s stand together as good neighbors!
LET THE SNOW FLY

It’s that time of year — my favorite time of year. The weather is getting colder, the leaves are changing, and two of my favorite holidays are getting close. However, with the changing of the season there are a few house cleaning items we must keep in mind. We will be turning our furnaces on to warm our homes so don’t forget about your carbon monoxide and smoke detectors. They should be tested to make sure they are in working order.

Every road vehicle should have an emergency kit that includes blankets, extra clothing, and nonperishable food like granola bars, water, flashlight, extra batteries, first aid kit, shovel, and emergency flares. In the event of a breakdown or getting stuck in the snow, it’s important to remain with the vehicle at all times and to conserve energy and fuel until help arrives.

There is also the issue of parking your vehicle. **Overnight parking is not permitted on city streets from November 15 through April 1st.** An exception is made 2 days before and after a Holiday. Parking on the street is not allowed at any time, regardless of day, when snow is visibly falling, or there is a visible amount of snow on the street and the street has not been plowed since the snow fell. (More information is available on the city website, www.wbcity.org)

Snowplowing Service

The winter season will soon be upon us and the snowflakes will begin to fly. Our Public Works department works hard every winter to ensure our roads are safe to drive on during snowstorms. On average, 30 inches of snow fall on about 26 miles of city streets creating slick and dangerous conditions. The Public Works department and Police department have prioritized each street for snowplowing based on the amount of usage of the street. We give the highest priority to the main streets and collectors, which connect arterial streets, these include 800 W, 1100 W, 400 N, Pages Ln. and Porter Ln. Once these are plowed, work begins on clearing the arterial streets. After a heavy snowstorm, the dead ends and cul-de-sacs are plowed last due to limitations on manpower and equipment.

Driving a snowplow is a tough job. Operators must maneuver a large truck with a huge plow while dealing with foggy windows, swirling snow, slippery roads, icy intersections, and traffic. During a snowstorm, snowplows should be treated as emergency vehicles. For your own safety and others, keep a safe distance when following and don’t attempt to pass a snowplow. Patience is necessary during a snow storm so we can all be safe.

Quick Facts

- 26 miles of city streets
- 39 cul-de-sacs
- Several dead end streets
- 3 Snow plows
- 4 Public Works snow removal
Free Radon Testing

Radon is a radioactive gas that is emitted when uranium decays in soil and water and can be found throughout the world. Radon has no color, odor or taste. It typically moves up through the ground to the air above and into homes through cracks in the foundations and other entryways. Once inside, radon may build up and create elevated levels of radon exposures. Any home can be susceptible to radon infiltration. Frequent and prolonged exposure to radon can increase an individual’s risk of developing lung cancer. Davis County Health Department can come to your home and test for free. If you would like your home tested or would like more information, contact the Davis County Health Department at 801-525-5128.

How to Prepare for a Winter Storm

With winter approaching, it’s a good idea to brush up on Winter Preparation tips. FEMA has a great website that provides some very helpful information, www.fema.gov.

It’s also a good idea to know the terms used to describe changing winter weather conditions and what actions to take. These terms can be used to determine the timeline and severity of an approaching storm.

**ADVISORY**
The National Weather Service issues a winter weather advisory when conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences that may be hazardous. If caution is used, these situations should not be life-threatening.

**WATCH**
The NWS issues a winter storm watch when severe winter conditions, such as heavy snow and/or ice, may affect your area but the location and timing are still uncertain. A winter storm watch is issued 12 to 36 hours in advance of a potential severe storm. Monitor alerts, check your emergency supplies, and gather any items you may need if you lose power.

**WARNING**
The NWS issues a winter storm warning when 4 or more inches of snow or sleet are expected in the next 12 hours, or 6 or more inches in 24 hours, or ¼ inch or more of ice accumulation is expected. The NWS may also issue a warning if the storm is expected to hit during high-traffic times, like rush hour. Stay indoors, and keep warm and dry. Minimize driving.
New Employees

We are excited to welcome a few new members to our West Bountiful Staff: Jake Taylor as our new full-time public works utility maintenance worker. Jake joined us in August, coming from Mosquito Abatement where he worked for 5 years. He was raised in West Bountiful, attended local schools and is excited to be a West Bountiful City employee. We are happy to have such a quality person as part of our public works team and welcome Jake, his wife Selena, and son Charlie to the West Bountiful family.

Patrice Twitchell as our new full-time Finance Clerk. Patrice joined us in September and has many ties to West Bountiful with several family members living in the City. She is a great addition to the team and is doing a great job filling a position that had been vacant for several months.

Angela Breeze and Clay Caldwell as new police officers. Officer Breeze joined us in October as a new officer from the Police Academy. She is a quick learner and is doing great. Officer Caldwell joined us as a reserve officer in October and he has now joined the department as a full-time officer. He has many years of experience and specialized training and he and his partner, K-9 Loki, (see back page to meet Loki) recently moved here from Vernal.

WINTER REMINDERS

SIDEWALKS MUST BE CLEARED WITHIN 24 HOURS OF EACH SNOWFALL. PLEASE KEEP SHOVELED SNOW ON YOUR PROPERTY AND NOT IN THE STREET.

PLEASE KEEP TREES AND SHRUBS TRIMMED so the snow plows can make their way through the city. Trees are required to be trimmed 14 feet above roadway.

ADOPT A HYDRANT. Please shovel around any fire hydrant near your property so they are easily visible and accessible in case of emergency.

LADIES LEAGUE AT LAKESIDE GOLF COURSE

If you are a lady 18 years or older and like to play golf, then come join the Tuesday morning Ladies League at Lakeside Golf Course!

All skill levels are welcome, bring your friends and come join. Play begins in April and runs through September every Tuesday morning. There will be a free ladies clinic in April and additional rules clinics throughout the season. Forms are available at the Clubhouse.

Call 801-295-1019 for details. Or, you can also call league members

Jill Bowman (801) 292-0533 or Donna Dixon (801) 698-7475
WEST BOUNTIFUL CITY ELF TREE

It’s that time of year again!
The Elf Tree has been a huge success in the past and we ask for your generosity again this year. The purpose of the Elf Tree is to give to children who would otherwise not have Christmas. Elves will be ready for pick-up November 20th. Thank you in advance for your love and support. Please contact Mindi Tullis or Bev Haslam at 801-292-4486 with any questions.

Monthly Schedule of Events
All events at City Hall unless otherwise noted

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Christmas On Onion Street

Let’s celebrate Christmas together! On Monday, December 1, Santa will be making his way through West Bountiful. Watch him for to come through your neighborhood on a fire truck, and then make your way to City Hall to talk with Santa and enjoy games and snacks. Check out our website at www.wbcity.org after November 24 to see the map Santa will use for his tour through town.

SOUTH DAVIS REC CENTER WILL HOST THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

Thanksgiving Day Races- November 27, 2014
Join Tom Turkey again for another fun run. Race with us and win a pie! Overall winners take home a turkey. Register online in person on www.active.com or in person at the front desk. Get $1 off by bringing in a can of food. Limit $3 off (donation for Bountiful Food Pantry)

Come Meet Santa! December 6, 2014
Santa will park his sleigh for a short time to take some pictures with all the good little boys and girls. So grab your coats and gloves and visit Santa at the Rec Center!

Christmas Ice Skating Show- December 12, 2014
Watch our Learn-to-Skate participants show off their skills Holiday style! For more details visit www.utahfigureskating.com

Learn-to-Swim Session- December 1-December 18
3 weeks long with 40 minutes per class.

Learn-to-Skate Session- Mondays & Wednesdays
November 17-December 10, 2014

Sweethearts Races- February 14, 2015
Register before 12/31/2014 for the Darling Discount!
Register at www.active.com or in person at the front desk.
I-15 Construction - Lane Splits are coming in early November!

In early November, two I-15 traffic lanes will be shifted to the inside of the interstate and two lanes will be shifted to the outside, creating a work zone in the center. The split will be in place in both directions on I-15 between 400 North and 1500 South in Bountiful. The outside lanes will service local exits while the inside lanes will accommodate through traffic. Traffic in the inside lanes cannot access the exits and must continue on I-15 until the next exit. As part of the lane splits, the speed limit will be reduced to 55 MPH, please pay close attention to the signs to give yourself enough time to exit.

Dear West Bountiful Residents

As the year winds down we want to take the opportunity to thank you for your support. The growth we’ve experienced this past year is because of customers like you, who faithfully support our golf course/café and we look forward to working with you all in the coming years.

We appreciate your business and we’ll do our best to continue to give you the kind of service you deserve.

Thanks again!
Sincerely,
Paul Holden
Director of Golf-Lakeside Golf Course

BURN DAYS

With winter nearly upon us, be sure to check http://whentoburn.com/ before using your fireplace or heating stove to check for “NO BURN DAYS”.
Help keep the air clean!

VISIT US AT
www.wbcity.org

Stay Informed

West Centerville Neighborhood Plan
Centerville City, our neighbor to the north, is in the process of developing a new land use plan for the area south of Parrish Lane and West of I-15. Their current draft calls for a shift from industrial uses to new transit-oriented (high density) housing and commercial uses. The West Bountiful City Council has sent a letter to the Centerville City leadership to alert them to concerns over possible strains on traffic, parking, and other services that could come from the new growth. To learn more consider attending a [Centerville City public hearing on Nov. 15th](http://www.centervillecity.org/meetings).

Did you know??

West Bountiful Public Works department is proud to have 4 of its 5 employees with Grade 4 Water Certification. This certification is very difficult to obtain; it requires advanced water schooling along with stringent state testing. Our newest employee will begin schooling this winter to prepare for his certification.

Looking for a last minute gift idea for the golfer on your list this holiday season? Then stop by Lakeside Golf Course for great rates on gift cards & deals on the latest golf equipment and apparel. Save up to 30% off selected items.

Call 801-295-1019 for details.
Local filmmaker to show work

Friday, January 9, 2015
7 p.m. - City Hall

After months of distracted work, The Bob Adventures Trash Day "Re-edit" is nearing completion. The West Bountiful Arts Council is pleased to announce the return of this family friendly, locally-made movie. If you didn't catch its premier back in 2007, you get a new chance to catch the raucous romp on the big screen. The show will be featured at the West Bountiful City movie night January 9 at 7 p.m. at city hall. The re-edit boasts new enhancements and scene changes to the original comedy/adventure story. Come see what The Bob Adventures is all about, and come ready to smile. Be sure to visit http://youtu.be/u7h8BCJGrpQ or search "Trash Day Re-edit" to enjoy a special Bob Adventures Trash Day Re-edit preview.

Flat Canyon Band in concert

Friday,
February 13, 2014
7 p.m. - City Hall

The February Arts Council concert will bring to the stage, for the first time, the Flat Canyon Band featuring lead singer/guitar player Bill Bown and his wife Tristina on drums and percussion. Bill has lived in West Bountiful his whole life and written over 72 songs. Other members of the group include lead singer/guitar player Corbin Dillingham, keyboard player Alissa Groover, and bass player Clint Grover. The band was formed about a year and a half ago and practice on Tuesday evenings in the Bown's downstairs music room. They have entertained many audiences, and we look forward to sharing an evening of fun-filled, lively music with them.

Martineau Family to perform

Friday, March 13, 2014
7 p.m. - City Hall

In March, the Arts Council will feature the Kent and Sheryl Martineau family in concert. They are long time residents of West Bountiful, having lived in the community for the past 37 years. They raised 12 children here and now have 37 grandchildren and one great grandchild. Eight of the 12 children still live in Utah with four out of state. This multi-talented family will entertain us with pianists, soloists, a family choir, and a band. We are certain to be treated to a variety of musical genres during this evening's concert.

For more information visit: westbountiful.utah.gov (under the "Community" tab, click on "Arts Council")
The West Bountiful Police Department would like to announce the retirement of K9 Officer Vader after 2 1/2 years of service.

K9 Vader, a long-haired German Shepherd, joined the West Bountiful Police Department in February 2012. After a successful career, K9 Vader is being retired due to ongoing medical issues. K9 Vader will reside with his former partner in a well-deserved life of retirement.

West Bountiful has been very fortunate to recruit Officer Clay Caldwell and have him join our team. Officer Caldwell is a state certified K9 handler and comes with a state certified police K9 named Loki. Loki is a two and half year old Belgian Malinois. He is dual purposed trained, meaning he may be used to detect narcotics as well as tracking and apprehension.

The West Bountiful Police Department’s K9 Unit was originally funded by community donations. We would like to thank all of the community partners that have donated money and services making this endeavor possible. We would like to individually recognize the Animal Care Center for their ongoing support of the program by donating veterinary care for these incredible four legged officers.