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Weber County Live Stock 4-H & FFA: A few weeks ago, I attended my monthly meeting with all the Mayors in Weber County. In attendance at this meeting were the 4H & FFA youth and their adult leaders. Once the Mayors had finished the county business, the youth were given the opportunity to present how 4-H and FFA have benefited them personally. What an amazing group of young men and women! Once the youth leaders concluded, the rest of the youth presented a few of the animals that were raised this past year. As I listened to the youth and admired the animals, I was very impressed by their leadership and dedication to raising these

animals. With that said, join me in supporting these local youth by attending the Jr. Livestock auction on Saturday, August 8 at the Weber County Fair Grounds. The buyer's social will start at 12:00 PM and the livestock auction will begin at 2:00 PM. All animals were raised by local youth over the past year and this is the culminating event for these youth. For more information, please contact Marty Mobley at 801-643-5943 or Steve Bell at 801-791-7316.

# **Weed Control**

Just a reminder concerning the weed control standards for Uintah City. Please see below for an excerpt from the weed control ordinance.

### 4-1-11: STANDARDS FOR WEED CONTROL:

Weeds shall be maintained at a height of not more than six inches (6") at all times and cuttings must be promptly cleared and removed from the property. A. Weeds must be eradicated by chemicals, cutting or other acceptable means so that they do not exceed six inches (6") in height. B. Weeds that are rototilled, disked or removed by the root must be buried under the soil, removed from the property or composted.



**General Plan:** Well summer is in full swing and so is your City Council and Planning Commission. We are in the process of reviewing and updating the city's General Plan. The General Plan is like the roadmap for the future of our city. It includes a snapshot of us now and where and what we want for the future. It covers culinary water, storm water, residential and commercial growth, and quality of life issues. The plan is not and etched in stone plan, it is a working document that adjusts and adapts to us. It is a flexible guide to steer programs and projects toward the intended goals of the citizens. The plan itself is pretty comprehensive is scope in the hope that no

matter what comes down the road, we will have considered it and will have a guide to address it. With that said, it is the city's plan, not the City Council's or the Planning Commission's plan, it's our plan. We need your input. What do you want for our future regarding growth, infrastructure, etc.? We are looking for a group of volunteers to help in putting the plan together. Yes, there will be surveys! But we don't simply want to pop them in the mail and hope they don't end up in the recycling bin. We want to reach out to our residents and speak with them on these issues. We will be putting together a citizen committee to work with the Planning Commission to draft a Uintah City General Plan. A plan that reflects the wishes and desires of our community of residents wants for the Future of Uintah. If you are interested in our future and would like to get involved in this committee, please reach out to our city office and provide your name and phone number. Or drop me an email at johnsongregory1850@gmail.com.



**Road Projects:** It seems that orange barrels are everywhere with road construction projects. Road projects are coming to the City. A little inconvenience is better that dilapidated roads. With all the construction this summer please be patient and be safe!

Another request for you to be smart and be safe comes from the Union Pacific Railroad:

Quote: "Unfortunately, many seniors, parents, and photographers choose to use rail tracks as a background. A practice that isn't only unsafe, it's also trespassing. I'm reaching out to a few key cities with a request that you help us spread the word that tracks are for trains, not for photos. We don't want to do anything that creates the idea that train tracks are a good place to congregate, pose, or play. We have a couple short videos that can easily be shared across a number of social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram). Using the hashtag #TracksAreForTrains, our goal is to increase awareness and avoid any unfortunate memories. The videos can be found at this link: www.up.com/photosafety"

We live "by" the tracks. Let's do everything we can so that no one in the City dies "on" the tracks!

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U-Day 2015 goes into the record books as a big success. Thanks for all the donations and all those volunteers who helped make it such a wonderful community event. The weather cooperated this year with very warm days and pleasant evenings Stephanie Howell and her committee dedicated themselves to making U-Day week memorable and they did just that. The "U" was beautiful again this year with the LED lights glittering late into the night. What a sight to see. Lighting the Big "U" on the side of the mountain is a big job, so if you have the

opportunity to thank Corey Howell and John Allen, please do so. They made it happen and it was awesome! The theme this year, "LUCKY U" says it all, doesn't it? We are all very "Lucky" to live in such a fun-loving, and neighborly community. Planning begins in September for next year, so please come join us with some fresh ideas to make an old tradition even that much better. Thanks again for all of you who had any part of this year's celebration.



**Mosquito Abatement:** Please read the enclosed press release concerning West Nile Virus as it contains important information concerning the West Nile Virus that is important for each of us to read.

The trap where West Nile was detected contained a large amount of mosquitoes. When district personnel found this out they were very aggressive in fogging the area in Riverdale where the trap was located. The next time

the trap was checked it contained 70% less mosquitoes. This was prior to getting the test results, confirming the West Nile virus was present, back from the state lab. Because the West Nile virus is spread by warm weather mosquitoes, we need to continue to take precautions all summer.

**Parks and Buildings:** The city is replacing the fence at the city shops. This should improve safety and security at the shops and improve how this area looks.

The city is raising concrete at the city park to reduce tripping hazards.

These two projects will use funds saved during FY2014-2015 and funds appropriated for FY2015-2016.

**Budget:** The Mayor and City Council approved the FY2015-2016 last month. With a lot of hard work, a balanced budget was passed. The budget provided a raise in compensation for city staff. No raise was included in the budget for the Mayor or City Council. No tax increase was needed due to the work of city staff, the Mayor, and the City Council.

**U Days:** Thanks to all who worked to make U Days a success! Stephanie Howell and the committee did a great job. A special thanks to Corey Howell and John Allen for the awesome job of lighting the "U". I know I missed some names but please know the Mayor and City Council appreciate your hard work on behalf of the city.

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### **Animal Control**

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