

# Uintah City News

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# From the Mayors desk... 6600 South

Last year (about July) Mayor Flitton contacted Wasatch Front Regional Council, Utah Department of Transportation and Weber County to help Uintah City to provide a walkway along 6600S. A group representing these entities toured 6600 S on 4 Mar. 2019. It was explained to them, we did not need to widen 6600 S, but did need to provide a safe place for people to walk along 6600 S. We will see if they can help us improve safety for

folks to walk.

#### **SPEED LIMIT**

As of 1 Mar. 2019, the speed limit has been lowered on 6600 S. The conversation to lower the speed limit started about the same time as the above item. Mayor Flitton asked the Planning Commission, acting as the land use authority, to study if a lower speed limit was warranted. The Planning Commission had many discussions, held a public hearing and asked for input from citizens of Uintah. After looking at a traffic study being done for the city, and reviewing public comments they recommended that that the speed limit be lowered. One member of the Planning Commission presented a list with 15 reasons to lower the speed limit.

Thanks to Mayor Flitton for starting action on both of these issues.

The City Council also had many discussions about this issue. After much deliberations the City Council voted to lower the speed limit by a 3-2 vote.

**NEVER** in all the discussions that I was part of, was it ever discussed that lowering the speed limit would provide more revenue to the city. The **ONLY** issue was safety. Moving violation fines are set by the state bail schedule not the city. In this case the city budget is in good shape for this fiscal year and to try to use tickets on 6600 S would be a highly inefficient way to balance the budget if it was needed.

Thanks for helping make Uintah the great little city it is.

If you have any ideas on how the city can better communicate issues to or with citizens please let us know.

- Gordon Cutler



## **Planning Commission Changes**

A big thanks to Todd Burton for serving on the Planning Commission as Vice Chair and all the service and work he's done on behalf of our City.

Welcome to the newly appointed members: Brent Stuart and Jon Arends. Alternates: Brett Parke, Debra Wickizer and Daniel Combe. Thank you for your willingness and desire to be involved.

#### **Bonneville Communities That Care**

The Opioid epidemic – by now most people have been touched by it through a family member or friend. Our coalition has worked with our community leaders and statewide campaigns to educate people about the dangers of opioids, alternatives to opioids for pain and safe disposal of drugs. Efforts are paying off - Utah was one of only nine states to have a decrease (16%) in prescription opioid-related deaths in 2017. Efforts by providers to decrease the number of prescriptions and increased access to the opioid-reversing drug naloxone have greatly contributed to this reduction.

This month we are continuing our efforts to provide education about opioids and alternatives to opioid use on our Facebook page (Bonneville Communities That Care Coalition) and through the ongoing opioid displays at South Ogden and T.H. Bell Junior High Schools and Bonneville High school as well as McKay Dee Hospital cafeteria and the Orthopedic and Surgical Center. In addition, we are hosting a **training on Naloxone by Utah Naloxone on April 25**th at **the Weber School District Board Room – 5320 Adams Ave Pkwy at 5:30.** This training will go over the need for naloxone, proper usage, how to administer — and participants will get a free naloxone kit to take with them. Seating is limited — mark it on your calendar now! We are also doing a **Take Back Day collection site at Macey's Grocery store at 325 – 36**th **Street from 10:00 – 2:00 on April 27**th. We will be providing a safe, convenient and anonymous means for you to bring your unused medications and providing information about safe disposal at no charge.

We will be hosting our second annual **Path to Opioid Prevention 5K and Half Marathon** on **August 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m.** Mark your calendars now and watch our Facebook page for more information! Registration is open at ImAthlete.com – look for us

under Path to Opioid Prevention.

Please plan to join us for these important events – and for continually updated information please "Like" and follow us on our Facebook page, Bonneville Communities That Care coalition. We are always looking for people who have 2 hrs/month to join us in our prevention efforts – if you would like more information, please email us at BonnevilleCTC@weberhs.org.

Kristi Bell



#### **Easter**

Easter is fast approaching and we are beginning to make plans for our annual Uintah Easter Egg Hunt! We rely on the contributions of local businesses and private citizens to fund this. We would appreciate if you would consider contributing to this cause. Any donation large or small would be appreciated. We are in need of Easter candy, toys, prizes and services as well as monetary funds. Please contact the Uintah City office at 801-479-4130 or myself at 801-388-0810.

The Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday April 20th at 9 am sharp.

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity!!

Michelle Roberts



### Fire Department

Winter this year is definitely making up for the last few years of no snow. We cannot thank our maintenance crew enough for keeping all the roads clear during this winter. So just as a reminder;

- Keep fire hydrants clear in storms All fire hydrants should be cleared to avoid delays in the event they are needed. The general rule is 3 feet in every direction.
- Slow Down and move over for emergency vehicles. With all of these accidents on the road, give emergency responders the room to assist those in need and help them stay safe by being aware and moving over. Many accidents have happened this year that could have been avoided if people just slowed down and moved over.

In February Chief Sacco received the Utah Firefighter Designation from UFRA (Utah Fire Rescue Academy) This is an award where one in the fire service is recognized statewide for their hard work and dedication to the fire service. The recognition is awardwd in the catagories of Executive Officer, Supervising, Managing and Administration and the process by which it is awarded is through an application process, fire certifications, abilities and tenure in the fire service. We are proud of Chief Sacco for all of his hard work and dedication.

Two Uintah City Fire Department firefighters were sworn in and badged. Firefighters Jonathon Tuffy and Riley Mitchie completed all training and requirements needed to become a badged firefighter with Uintah City Fire Department. Their hard work and dedication shows day to days and we are proud to have them as members of our department.

Remember, Open Burn Season is right around the corner. We want to have a safe burn season so please make sure you have a permit to burn, all regulations are followed including air quality and please only burn approved items in a very safe manner. If you have any questions as burn season begins, please feel free to contact us.

Do you have any comments, questions, concerns or information you would like to share? Feel free to contact Chief Marc Sacco <a href="mailto:msacco@uintahfd.org">msacco@uintahfd.org</a>. If you just want to stop by to meet our firefighters, we welcome our Uintah Residents. Don't forget to follow us on social media On Facebook (facebook.com/Uintah.Fire.Dept), our website (<a href="https://www.uintahfd.org">www.uintahfd.org</a>) and on Twitter at @UintahCityFD91.

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#### **Animal Control**

Office (801) 399-8244 or emergency (801) 629-8221 Hours – Monday – Friday 8 am - 5 pm, Saturday 8 am to Noon.

#### Blue Stakes

Dial 811, (800) 662-4111 or (801) 208-2100 Monday-Friday 7am to 5 pm

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