My Dear Fellow Ephraim Residents,

Much has happened over the last month. I have seen marvelous things take place in our community. Recently, I participated in helping a family that had just moved into Ephraim in cleaning up their yard, which had been neglected for years. I was with a group of citizens as we chopped down dead trees, mowed weeds and grass. One of our life-long residents came over to look at an electrical problem in the house and he resolved the issue quickly. What a beautiful sight it was to see people helping people in Ephraim City. This is an example of being “Ephraim Strong” - neighbor helping neighbor.

On June 5th we had a violent storm that knocked down three major electric poles west of Ephraim which conduct power into our City and into other parts of Sanpete Valley. Our city power crews were on the scene within minutes. The lines are owned by Rocky Mountain Power Company, and although we made repeated requests, they would not allow our city crews to help repair the lines in any way because of liability issues. The power was off for nearly 12 hours and our power director remained on the scene until early in the morning. Being in the city that night without power was a unique experience. It reminded me of what our pioneer forebears must have gone through every night.

The loss of power caused our power hydro-generators to close down and that caused a cascade of unusual events which led to a spike in the PSI in one of our major culinary water feeders into the city. The pipe burst leaving the city temporarily without much of its culinary water. Luckily, our water tanks were near capacity and there was no need for a call to diminish water use for Ephraim City. On Saturday morning our city crews completed the repair of the pipe and began heading into town when that terrible rainstorm hit, complicated with major hail and wind, which then caused localized flooding. Our city public works crews immediately rode down the canyon and began helping to clear drains of debris and helping to ensure that localized flooding was kept to a minimum. Then, two days later, we had frost that affected many gardens. Yet, through all of this, I see the smiling faces of dedicated Ephraim City work crews and residents who have been affected by these challenges. They are an example of “Ephraim Strong.”

On June 1st, our city police officers arrived at work early in the morning to be greeted with offensive and degrading comments about them and about what they do to protect our community. Accusations were made against them. I was called early that morning and helped to wash off tagging that was done on our streets, sidewalks, city buildings, and private buildings. I was accompanied by a police officer and our city manager as we identified tagging sites.

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Chalk it Up to Music
Snow College Department of Music

Color the town at CHALK IT UP TO MUSIC. The street art event is designed to raise funds for students in the Snow College Department of Music. Families, students, and community members of all skill levels are welcome to participate.

**Date:** Saturday, August 29, 2020

**Time:**
- 7:00 a.m. check-in
- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. street painting

**Location:** Snow College near the bell tower

**Cost:**
- **$10 to chalk it up**
- **FREE to view and listen to outdoor music performances throughout the day**

**Registration:** [ChalkItUpToMusic.eventbrite.com](http://ChalkItUpToMusic.eventbrite.com)
A new Ephraim Youth City Council for 2020-21 was sworn in at the last Ephraim City Council meeting. Parents were in attendance through Facebook Live due to COVID-19 restrictions. The YCC has 25 new councilmembers, with Taylor Palmer and Shane Arnoldsen as the mayors, and Tiana Chamberlain as the secretary. Juli Arnoldsen and Corinne Olsen are the advisors. We are looking forward to a great year with an awesome council!

Back row (l to r): Andrew Lund, Isaac Warby, Neils Grover, HayLee Daniels, Rowan Eichelberger, Janessa Bridges, Adrienne Shelley, Taylor Palmer, Tiana Chamberlain, Anneke Bahlmann

Middle row (l to r): Mitch Ostler, Shane Arnoldsen, Leah Arnoldsen, Cali Alder, Madison Worthington, Savanna Thompson, Avery Allred, Shaylynn Noblett, Adalee Olson

Front row (l to r): Kaulin Nielsen, Mathew Olsen, Sarah Litteral, Kelsie Tippets, Alice Grover, Clare Wood

A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF EPHRAIM CITY IN SUPPORT OF THE EPHRAIM CITY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

WHEREAS, Ephraim City law enforcement officers play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of Ephraim City’s citizens; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers demonstrate extreme bravery as they tirelessly serve our community by safeguarding life and property, by protecting our citizens against violence and disorder, by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation, and by risking their own lives to protect our families, businesses, and community; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers also stand as prominent leaders in our community by educating the community about the importance of public safety and by committing themselves to continued training, skill enhancement, and working with our citizens to achieve and maintain a peaceful community; and

WHEREAS, Ephraim City and its citizens gratefully appreciate the extraordinary efforts and sacrifices made by its law enforcement officers and their family members on a daily basis in order to protect our citizens, our schools, our workplaces, our roads, our homes, and our community; and

WHEREAS, acts of appreciation from citizens provide needed encouragement and support to Ephraim City law enforcement officers as they courageously confront dangerous and uncertain situations on duty each day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Ephraim City Mayor, City Council and City Staff hereby proclaim their support and appreciation to its law enforcement officers and staff, further hereby expresses their deep appreciation for the bravery and sacrifice in protecting our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that the current Ephraim City officers and Staff of the Department are:

Aaron Broomhead, Public Safety Director  Lynsey Zeeman, Administrative Secretary
Colby Zeeman, Police Lieutenant  Steve Cragon, Administrative Assistant
Devon Krebs, Investigative Sergeant  Jeff McQuivey, School Resource Officer
Justin Aagard, Patrol Officer  Kent Hatch, Patrol Officer
Dillon Rasmussen, Patrol Officer  Steve Brandt, Ordinance Enforcement Officer / Animal Control

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ACTIVITY FOR July, 2020
07/08/20  DUP - Summer Break
07/13/20  Lions Club - Summer Break
07/16/20  POTLUCK LUNCH at Noon $2.50

RENTALS
Center: $75/day + $50 Deposit
Quilt Room $4/day
While there is so much unrest in the world today, I have had a few experiences in my own corner of the world that have caused me to reflect on the good things that happen in a neighborhood.

When I look up the definition of a neighbor, it generally refers to those who live next to us and included this statement: “Some people form friendships with their neighbors and help them by sharing their tools and helping with gardening tasks.” I managed to break my foot in March while “safely” working from home and was unable to drive and/or walk on the foot for many weeks. While I don’t have a garden, and have no need to borrow tools, I have gained a great appreciation for my terrific neighbors. They have become my personal shoppers, meal preparers, Uber drivers, door dashers, garbage collectors, Pepsi deliverers, and lawn waterers. (My lawn has never looked so green!)

In this same time period, another person in our neighborhood has had some very challenging health problems and these same neighbors have been there to help her physically and in other ways. Needless to say, I will have a lot of catching up in the Good Deeds Department in the future.

The Ephraim City Mayor, Council, and Staff wish you a happy and safe 4th of July and Pioneer Day!

The Youth City Council were involved in their first activity for the 2020-2021 year helping to re-chink the pioneer cabins at the Pioneer Park in preparation for a virtual tour through the buildings. You can watch the video at scandinaviansummer.org.

We lost one of the pieces of our neighborhood this week when our friend passed away. I have lived on the same block with this family for many years. We have rejoiced when new babies have arrived, have watched them grow up, played baseball in the vacant lot, bought items from fundraisers, or purchased zucchini from a red wagon pulled by two little girls. We’ve taught each other’s children, been to many a ward party, shared a lot of food and laughter and a few tears. I have learned so much from this dear neighbor and all the people in this community who I consider my neighbors. In fact, I believe the actions that I have described are one of the most effective ways to build a community. We have been so isolated from the many activities that usually bring us together. As the lyric from an old song about peace says “Let it begin with me.” So strengthen your community this week by checking on a neighbor, delivering a Pepsi, or better yet, help with their gardening tasks!