My Dear Fellow Residents;

I am excited to write to you this month. It is truly a special thing to reach out to you and to communicate the things that are happening in our city. First of all, I want you to know how much I appreciate you and all that you do to make Ephraim City a wonderful place to live. I know that you are busy and that you have so much to do in your personal lives, yet I see you reaching out to others in help and fellowship. Thank you.

Fire Department
Recently I attended an evening with our Fire Department. We were able to give service awards to men who have given time, heart, and talent, to a voluntary organization that serves our community in so many ways. We have men in the Fire Department who have given as much as 26 years in voluntary service to their community to protect us all from fire dangers and other unexpected events. I am humbled by their commitment to serve.

Service in Ephraim City is the norm. We have so many citizens in our community who serve on boards and committees. Truly, it is impressive to see the response of our citizens as they spend many precious hours in helping Ephraim City to run smoothly. Let me take a moment and reflect a little on what is accomplished in these boards and committees. I’d like to briefly give you a description of what each of those entities do for our citizens.

Planning and Zoning Board
This board meets twice monthly, and they handle all of the planning and zoning change requests in the city. Any new businesses or developments that come to Ephraim City have to first make their case, if a zoning change is needed, to these residents who sit on this board. The Planning and Zoning Board make recommendations to the City Council, and it is typical for the Council to follow their recommendations carefully.

Utility Board
This board handles all utility questions, including recommendations for rate changes, water, sewer, and power needs, as well as City investments for the future. Our Utility Board is tasked with looking to the future and outlining infrastructure needs for the next 20-40 years for Ephraim City.

Recreation Board
This board handles all the recreation needs and recommendations for Ephraim City. These residents chart a course for the future needs in recreation. They have been especially active in proscribing new recreation facilities for Ephraim City. This board plays an integral part in organizing and carrying out all of the recreation events in our City.

City Office Hours:
Mon -Fri  8 am to 5 pm
Phone:   283-4631
Web:  ephraimcity.org
Facebook:  “Like” Ephraim City

Upcoming City Meetings:
• City Council Meeting
  October 6, 2021  6:00 p.m.
• Planning & Zoning Meeting
  October 13,  2021 6:00 p.m.
• City Council Meeting
  October 20, 2021  6:00 p.m.
• Planning & Zoning Meeting
  October 27, 2021 6:00 p.m.
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**Airport Board**
This board is tasked with managing our airport, creating future policies, and finding grant funds to maintain and upgrade our airport services. Recently we had our annual “Fly In” at the airport; it is this board that organizes that event and also emphasizes the uses of and importance of having a local airport.

The Manti-Ephraim airport is the only federally recognized airport in Sanpete County, and it is a tremendous resource as an airport. Having an airport is an economic advantage to both Ephraim City and Sanpete County.

**Cemetery Board**
This group of residents concern themselves with the function and policies regarding our two City cemeteries. They oversee the rules and regulations and ensure that these locations are representative of the honor and dignity with which we give deceased city residents.

**Senior Citizens Board**
This board handles everything that goes through our Senior Citizens Center. They schedule activities as a board, are responsible for the finances that run the Center, and schedule rentals of the center space.

**Housing Authority Board**
Until recently, (many grants for this program have dried up) Ephraim led the way in Central Utah in creating affordable housing throughout our City. We have done this with a series of grants and the wise investment of other governmental funding. In fact, most of the neighborhoods east of the South Towne Theatres were conceived, designed, and built with the Ephraim Housing Authority Board oversight.

The board is comprised of citizens of our community who have generated ideas and made plans for these affordable housing developments, and we are looking forward to finding new sources of funding for this worthwhile project.

**Library Board**
The policies, business hours, resource development, and day-to-day operations of the City Library come through this board. These are a group of citizens who love literature and love learning, and are committed to ensuring our library offers the best of services for our residents.

**Scandinavian Festival Committee**
Every year tens of thousands of people flock to Ephraim City on Memorial Day weekend to celebrate their Scandinavian heritage. This weekend is jam-packed with activities, speakers, food events, a car show, and a variety of vendors who offer a flavor and an experience of our Scandinavian heritage that is unmatched in Central Utah. This committee is commissioned with producing a world class event and we could not put on this event without the talent and help of so many of our residents who serve on this committee.

**Youth City Council**
What a fabulous opportunity to train our future leaders. This council is a service and
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leadership training council that is specifically geared toward giving our youth opportunities for service, and training them in the intricacies of city government. They are organized similar to city government, with a Mayor, Mayor pro Tem, city council members, etc. They are required to attend a certain number of City Council meetings and are also tasked with the role of recommending items to the City Council that help our city to be better. They attend state-held meetings as well as State Legislature meetings where they rub shoulders with our State representatives. They are directed by two volunteers who work tirelessly for the development of these youth.

Granary Arts Council
In the last nine years, our art center has become a gem, not only in Ephraim City, but for the entire state of Utah and the Western part of the United States. Granary Arts has been recognized and awarded in many leading art magazine publications and organizations. Granary Arts powerfully offers youth art classes and reaches out to the Elementary School and Middle school in arts education.

There is so much that happens behind the scenes in our city. It could be missed if we don’t highlight the wonderful spirit of cooperation and service in Ephraim City. This spirit of service permeates our citizenry. Truly, Ephraim is great because of the hundreds of citizens who serve their fellow community members in countless and sometimes thankless ways. I, for one, want to thank all of those who take time out of their schedules and magnify talents which, when combined, propel our city into new heights of service. I encourage you to become involved in one of these boards or committees because this is where the real work of the city occurs.

Sincerely,

John Scott
Ephraim City Mayor
A Message from Our Council
Richard Wheeler

It warms my heart to see so many people coming to the City Council meetings. We all have a share in the development of our fine city, and involvement in decisions is the best way to be heard and make your ideas part of the development. We invite all city residents to get involved at whatever level you want. No special clothes to wear. Just come as you are or send a note to your City Manager, Shaun Kjar, and get your voice heard.

As you have seen from the election posters all over town, it is that time of the year to get out and VOTE for your Mayor and two council seats. Please take time to consider and vote those people into office who will carry on the tasks and make good decisions for the next four years. If you see them on the street or shopping in the local stores, ask them questions and get to know how they think.

I want to thank all of you who met the needs of all of us and cut back on water use this summer and fall. Now the winter season is fast upon us, and this is the time to prepare for cold and snow, and think about slippery roads and snow removal around our homes and sidewalks. Please be aware of the needs of those around you and help where you can.

As we help and carry a smile with us each day, blessings will come. GOD will be there each day.

In a regular Ephraim City Council meeting, held on September 1, 2021, Jeff Hermansen was officially sworn in as the first full-time Fire Chief by the Ephraim City Recorder.

For the past 25 years, Jeff has served with the Ephraim City Fire Department as a volunteer fire fighter. He is trained, experienced, and highly qualified to serve Ephraim in this leadership position.

The Ephraim Fire Department is committed to protecting the safety and well-being of our community. If you have any questions or concerns about fire safety, please do not hesitate to contact the department. We are here to serve you.

Sanpete County
Drive on thru, Prevent the Flu!

Get your flu shot while helping us practice our community emergency response plan!

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Gunnison registration code: GUNNISONFLU
Manti registration code: MANTIFLU

No cost with most insurances, $25 with no insurance.

We accept cash, check, cards, + HSA

* Wear a short-sleeved shirt
* Shorts for little ones

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