What a humbling thing it is to serve as your mayor! Eight weeks ago, I would never have suspected that I would be serving in this position. In hindsight, I can now see that over the course of the last nearly 8 years, my service on the council has prepared me for this moment in time.

Thank you to the nearly 100 residents who showed up for the process of selecting a new Mayor. I am excited to go forward in representing you!

Someone once said that the world is run by those who “show up.” I have seen this to be the case in many ways. We have a tremendous cadre of volunteers who “show up” to serve on the many Ephraim City boards and committees. Our City could not function without this volunteerism which permeates our community. My hat is off to all of you who serve and give of yourself so freely. You do an incredible job!

I would invite anyone who wants to become involved in Ephraim City to find one of the many committees to serve on. Ten years ago, I “showed up” to serve on one of those committees and it provided valuable training and insight. I would invite you to “show up” during our city council meetings and to speak up if there is something that you want to compliment or change. When you “show up” to our council meetings you have a voice, through the public comment forum, to express your opinion or concern. We listen to you. Our City Council loves to hear from you, and we try our best to weigh our resident’s concerns in making decisions for this wonderful community. We cannot do this job without your input and your interest.

One example of this is the city budget process. At the end of June, we are required, by state law, to pass a balanced City budget. We begin our public hearings in May and by the 2nd City Council meeting in June we must pass our City budget.

During this year’s process of deciding how to spend a little over 5 million dollars of your money, there was not one resident in attendance other than City staff and department heads.

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Upcoming City Events:

- **City Council Meeting**
  September 4, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

- **Manti/Ephraim Airport Fly-In**
  September 7, 2019, 10:00—2:00 p.m.

- **City Council Meeting**
  September 18, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

- **Young Eagles Rally**
  September 28, 2019, 8:30—11:00 a.m.
Compliments to Our City, Crews and Staff

August 22, 2019
Dear Mayor Scott and City Council Members,

We would like to publicly thank the Ephraim City Power Department for a wonderful job done replacing the power source to our home. Cory Daniels, Brian Thomson, Jason Larsen and Wyatt Anderson did a great job. They were professional and concerned about damage to the property. They cleaned up after themselves and explained to us each step of the process.

Too often we take these jobs for granted until the power goes out and then we are frustrated. We appreciate the fact that they were proactive with updating the lines. There was a power failure on the other side of the road this winter and they didn’t want the same thing to happen on our side.

Just wanted to compliment them on a job well done.

Bob and Debbie Trythall

Mayor
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These meetings were advertised heavily. In the future, I invite you to “show up” and see for yourself how this process works. Through the “public comment” portion of our meeting, please feel free to express to us what you think. Please, “show up”, please speak up and let us know what your concerns are. Our City Council meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:00 PM, and the public comment portion of the agenda is always the first item.

Now, I look forward to the future of Ephraim City. I will work hard for you. I will do my very best to always “show up” and speak up for you. There are so many exciting things that are happening in our city and I believe that in the coming years you will be proud of the way Ephraim City sprints into the future. As Ephraim City begins to “show up” in the thoughts and minds of more and more people throughout the state, we will do our best as a City Council to shape the future of our City with your thoughts and concerns in mind.

John Scott
Ephraim City Mayor

Library News

The Ephraim Library is hosting the Celtic musician Sarah McQuaid at the Huntsman Library on September 14th at 6:30. Watch for more information coming soon.

September Story Time
11:30 a.m.
Sept. 3-4 Grandparents
Sept. 10-11 Alligators & Crocodiles
Sept. 17-18 Daniel Tiger
Sept. 24-25 Teddy Bear Picnic

We will be celebrating Batman Day on September 21.

Please watch our Facebook page for details on our Kid’s Club, Tween Scene and other events.

We are looking for anyone interested in serving on our events committee.

For more information about any of these items, please contact the Library Director, Lori Voshall, at 283-4544 or lori.voshall@ephraimcity.org.

Thank you for supporting your library!

ELECTION NEWS

The 2019 Municipal General Election is November 5, 2019. It is an all-by-mail election, with no polling places available, though you may take them to the County Courthouse if you like.

You will receive your ballot in the mail in early September. Please read all the instructions and mark your ballots as quickly as possible and deposit them in the Election drop box in the parking lot of City Hall. Don’t forget your signature!
Be on the Look Out...
Over the past year, we have seen an increase in the number of scams that are circulating. Scammers are getting creative! We live in a digital world where we are vulnerable through various sources including the US Mail, email accounts, cell phones, text messaging and various social media outlets. Please do not give the scammers the satisfaction of taking your hard-earned money. Here are four scams that get reported to the Police Department regularly.

It’s a scam if…
- The IRS calls you demanding money over the phone.
- Social Security or Medicare calls you demanding personal information.
- A Law Enforcement agency calls you to inform you that you have a warrant for your arrest and demands money over the phone.
- You are informed that a family member is in jail or in trouble and is requesting money from you (over the phone) for bail.

Please take the time to ask questions if you are suspicious of a request and remember to protect yourself.

Most importantly…
- If anyone requests payment in gift cards, this is absolutely a scam.

For more information regarding possible scams or what to do when contacted, you may call the Ephraim City Police Department directly at 435-283-4602.

A Word from Our Police Department

A Message from Our Council
Richard Wheeler

The City has a new Mayor, John Scott. Mayor Scott brings many years of service to the table and we are glad to have his experience to guide the future of Ephraim.

The City Council has been busy working with the Senior Board in planning for a needed roof repair for the center, which is a City-owned building. The City has received bids and will pay half of the needed repair. Carolyn Tidwell, the Director of the Center, presented the City with a check for $13,636 dollars for the other half of the repair. Repairs will start as soon as possible in order to beat the weather.

The Ephraim Fire Department has received a new fire truck and has been training the volunteers to operate all the bells and whistles on the ladder truck. It has been on display and is ready for action. We hope they never have to use it.

The City has won several employee wellness awards for its activities and incentives which have kept City employees active and healthy throughout the past year. This has resulted in a refund to the City of 5% on the premium costs for employees.

Power Director Cory Daniels, Ted Olson, Chair of the Intermountain Power Agency Board of Directors and Chair of Ephraim’s Utilities Board, and myself, attended a four-day conference in Jackson, Wyoming for Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS) which discussed financial planning, cybersecurity and smart energy for the future. We talked about the impacts of droughts and fires on electrical systems. Ephraim is a leader in planning for the present and into the future to keep our City powered up for the next 20 years and beyond.

Please plan to attend the City Council meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall.

Young Eagles Rally

Manti/Ephraim Airport
Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019
8:30 am — 11:30 am

Youth between the ages of 8 and 16 may register online for a FREE Young Eagles flight. You will spend about 15–20 minutes in the air and follow the basic steps in the flight pattern. You will experience the awesome feeling of flight that many people only dream about. You will remember this experience for the rest of your lives!

Visit https://youngeaglesday.org today to register for this event. Spots are limited.

DON’T FALL FOR IT!!!
THERE WILL BE FUN FOR THE airplanes and helicopters! an airport has on a community. See local airport. Come learn of the impact Join the community in supporting our Manti/Ephraim Airport September 7, 2019 City Manager helps coordinate projects participation and asset allocation. The management, community board including day makes decisions within their department departments is headed by a director who departments is headed by a director who Finance, Fire, Library, Police, Recreation, Library, Police, Recreation, Finance, Fire, and the Ephraim City Co works with other local organizations like the Ephraim City Co-op, Granary Arts Center, Housing Authority, and the Council on Aging to provide services for Ephraim City also has a portion of the Manti-Ephraim Airport, and currently registering GIRLS in 2nd through 8th grades for the Fall Volleyball Program. Registration dates are August 21— September 14. Matches are typically Wednesday evenings in various areas of the county. Matches may begin the last week of September.}

City Manager Message Shaun Kjar

As the new Ephraim City Manager, I have often been asked, “What does a city manager do anyway?” The short answer is, I’m here to help! But you’re looking for a little more, right? I’ll tell you how Ephraim City operates, how our city council is structured and how you can get involved.

Ephraim City Manager is a position hired by the City Council and Mayor to supervise more than 80 Ephraim City employees, full and part-time, who are working hard to make Ephraim the very best place to live. Ephraim City has ten departments, each focused on a specific area: Court, Community Development, Finance, Fire, Library, Police, Recreation, Records, Power, and Public Works (Water, Roads, Sewer, Cemetery). Each of these departments is headed by a director who makes decisions within their department including day-to-day activities, employee management, community board participation and asset allocation. The City Manager helps coordinate projects and work within our departments and work happening with outside entities. We have many projects, large and small, that we hope will benefit residents now and in the future. Ephraim City also has a portion of the Manti-Ephraim Airport, and works with other local organizations like the Ephraim City Co-op, Granary Arts Center, Housing Authority, and the Council on Aging to provide services for residents. We also have wonderful volunteers who serve on community groups and boards. These individuals play a key role in the decisions being made at a local level here in Ephraim. You can step in and make a positive difference! I ask that you consider what interests and skills you have that might benefit our community and engage with one of these boards or committees.

The City Manager also works directly with our City Council. In Ephraim we have 5 voting council members elected locally to represent residents in community decisions. The position of Mayor in Ephraim is not a voting position as the Mayor organizes the work of the council members and leads in executive matters for the City. Our Mayor and City Council are elected positions while City Manager is a position hired by the City Council and Mayor.

In the 4 months that I have been in this position, I have had the opportunity to work with all these professionals and our residents to help solve a wide range of problems including nuisance issues, water projects, hiring new employees, legal claims, and so much more. I have the privilege of seeing firsthand the good work our city employees do. From the fresh springs of the mountains down throughout our beautiful city, I can tell you that Ephraim City employees and residents are working hard to make this the very best place to live.

Now that you know what I do for Ephraim City, how can I help you? Feel free to call me at (435) 283-4631 and let me know what you’re seeing. If I’m not able to help you myself, I can connect you with the person or information source you need.

Snow College Job Fair
The Recreation Department will have a booth at the upcoming Snow College job fair on Tuesday, September 4th.

The Department has 2 full-time positions, but relies on dozens of college and high school students to help with our youth sports leagues. Hours are often few and far between, but we hope that as the number of staff members grows, it could lead to expansions and a variety of program and event offerings.

Girl’s Volleyball
The Recreation Department is currently registering GIRLS in 2nd through 8th grades for the Fall Volleyball Program. Registration dates are August 21—September 14. Matches are typically Wednesday evenings in various areas of the county. Matches may begin the last week of September.

Food Vendors
Free drinks!

Model radio control demo flights

Flight school planes & helicopters

Local life-flight helicopter

Multiple kid’s activities including rocket launching

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Airport Fly-In
September 7, 2019
10:00—2:00 p.m.
Manti/Ephraim Airport
Join the community in supporting our local airport. Come learn of the impact an airport has on a community. See airplanes and helicopters!

THERE WILL BE FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

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