



# West Point City

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

**JULY  
2021**

### WEST POINT OFFICIALS

**ERIK CRAYTHORNE  
MAYOR**

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MAYOR PRO-TEM**

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COUNCIL MEMBER**

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COUNCIL MEMBER**

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COUNCIL MEMBER**

**KYLE LAWS  
CITY MANAGER**

### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

**1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAYS  
6:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION  
7:00 PM**

**GENERAL SESSION**

### PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS:

**2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAYS  
6:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION  
7:00 PM**

**GENERAL SESSION**

**CITY HALL**

**3200 W 300 N**

**801-776-0970**

**WWW.WESTPOINTCITY.ORG**

### HILL AIR FORCE BASE AND GROWTH

I recently attended a meeting where we talked about the growth and impact of Hill Air Force Base in our area. The information presented was very interesting and as it has a direct effect on West Point, I would like to share some of it with you in this month's newsletter.

In my conversations with residents and family members when we talk about the unprecedented growth in our area, the most common question that arises is, "Where are all these people coming from?!" As many of you know, Hill Air Force Base is one of the largest employers in the State of Utah and the central part of our local economy here in Davis County. The Base has been a staple in our community for decades and it is quite possible that many of you reading this are actually employed by HAFB or work there as a contracted employee. If not, there is a good chance someone close to you does. For those who are not quite as familiar, HAFB is, among other things, home to some "Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles", or ICBM's. In 2020, the US Department of Defense made the decision to replace and upgrade the nearly 60-year-old ICBM Program, which includes rockets, navigation systems, and command and control operations, with an investment of over \$75 billion dollars spread over the next few decades. The oversight and management of this entire program/contract fell squarely on the shoulders of Hill Air Force Base. What does this mean for our area? It means a lot of new jobs, a lot of people moving in to take these jobs, and more money in our local economy.

It is anticipated that there will be 4,700 new jobs associated with this program, with some being actual USAF positions and others through Northrup Grumman (located on the new North Side Complex on Base). In 2010, there were about 24,000 employment positions associated with HAFB and just under 31,000 jobs in 2020. With this new contract, the number of positions on Base is expected to

climb to over 40,000 (including the positions with Northrup Grumman). Already, Northrup Grumman is hiring at a rate of about 100 new jobs per month. And these are not just temporary, filler jobs – the average salary between both agencies is about \$100,000 per year.

Hopefully this information gives you some insight into some of the reasons for the influx of people into our area. All over north Davis County and southern Weber County you see evidence of this extreme growth cycle we are currently in – subdivisions popping up everywhere, countless new apartment complexes in the area, and so on. Keep in mind that HAFB and its related independent contractors are just one piece of the pie and there are other major job-creating companies in our area as well. There is no doubt in my mind that growth in this area in the next decade will be the most challenging issue city leaders in this area will be faced with.

Speaking of city leaders, remember that we do have a local election this year - a Primary Election Notice is included with this newsletter. Please research the candidates, stay informed, get involved, and let your voice be heard. We have some great individuals who are running this year and with the growth challenges ahead, we need good, well-reasoned, and qualified individuals making the important decisions for the future of West Point.

I hope all of you have a great summer. Enjoy this time of year with friends, family, and loved ones. I hope we can continue the challenge to be a little more kind, a little more forgiving, and to treat people how we want to be treated. We live in a great community with great people and I am proud to call this place home.

If you have any questions comments or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out.

- Mayor Erik Craythorne

# SENIOR LUNCH

Each month West Point City holds a lunch for Seniors 55 and older. The cost is \$2.00 per person and both residents and non-residents are welcome to join!

**Our Senior Lunch program will return on August 20<sup>th</sup> for our Annual Dinner!**

Dinner will be accompanied by performances from our 2021 Miss West Point and Miss Junior West Point Royalty.

The Dinner will be held on:

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup> @ 5:00 PM  
at CITY HALL**

The menu for the August Dinner will be:

**Chicken Alfredo, broccoli, french bread, green salad, and brownies for dessert**

You must RSVP to reserve a spot.

**PLEASE CALL CITY HALL BY AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup> AT (801)776-0970 TO RSVP.**

To view the 2021 Senior Lunch Calendar, visit the City Website under the Community Affairs Page.

JULY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2 GOLF TOURNAMENT	3 PARTY AT THE POINT
4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5 CITY HALL CLOSED	6 CITY COUNCIL AT 6 PM	7	8 PLANNING COMMISSION AT 6 PM	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 CITY COUNCIL AT 6 PM	21	22	23 CITY HALL CLOSED	24 PIONEER DAY
25	26	27	28	29 PLANNING COMMISSION AT 6 PM	30	31

# YOUTH COUNCIL

If your student is interested in joining the West Point Youth Council, please submit an application found at [www.westpointcity.org/community-affairs-events](http://www.westpointcity.org/community-affairs-events).

The purpose of the Youth Council is to provide an opportunity for the youth of West Point to acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for

public service through active leadership and community participation. The Youth Council will serve West Point City by planning and implementing social, educational, cultural, recreational, and other activities for the youth and community. They will be working with the Mayor, City Council, City Administration, schools, civic clubs, senior citizens, and other service and leadership organizations.

The goal of the Youth Council is to instill feelings of positive self-worth and esteem, eliminate potentially negative influences among our future community leaders, teach teamwork and respect for property rights, promote community pride, and bring the community together through various service projects and activities.

Youth Council meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

## Congratulations to our 2021 Royalty!



If you are interested in joining the Miss West Point Pageant Committee, please contact Shelby Sargent at [ssargent@westpointcity.org](mailto:ssargent@westpointcity.org) or (801)776-0970.

## GARBAGE COLLECTION

### A NOTICE FROM ECONO WASTE:

#### CONTAINERS CANNOT BE OVERLOADED

Keep your neighborhood litter free and clean!

There should not be excess waste on top of, around, or protruding from container. Containers that are overloaded may not dump correctly and may spill trash. If you need another container, please contact your city.

#### THE 6 FOOT RULE

Containers must be placed at least 6 ft. away from other cans, lightposts, mail boxes, fences, or other structures. Containers must also have an overhead clearance of 14 ft. These measures will allow the truck's lifting arm to access and properly dump the can.

#### WHAT CANNOT GO IN THE CONTAINER?

Containers are for normal household trash.

Please, never put any of the following

materials in the trash as they can harm the waste collectors, the equipment, and the environment:

- **Liquids of any type** (paint, gas, oil, hazardous liquids)
  - Hot coals, ashes, or lit cigarettes
- **Building and construction debris** (dirt/rocks, tree trunks, carpets or large scraps)
- **Furniture, appliances, or auto parts** (water heaters, major appliances, couches/chairs, car bumpers, fenders, engine blocks, batteries, items over 50 lbs)

## SECONDARY WATER

### UTAH IS CURRENTLY IN AN EXTREME DROUGHT!

Please see the included insert for specific watering guidelines and more information on how you can do your part to help preserve our low water resource.

## CITY HALL

### CITY HALL IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Our business hours are  
Monday-Thursday 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM  
Friday 7:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Please wear a mask while visiting City Hall.

## PARKS

If you are interested in using one of the City's three parks, you can now make a bowery reservation online!

[www.westpointcity.org](http://www.westpointcity.org)

All parks are open from 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM.

**DOGS ARE PERMITTED ON A LEASH.  
OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR ANIMALS,  
INCLUDING CLEANING UP AFTER THEM!  
Please report any violators you see!**

## SPLASH PAD

Due to drought conditions and in an effort to conserve water, the operating hours for the Splash Pad at Loy Blake Park have been modified.

The new schedule is as follows:

**11AM to 7PM**

**TUESDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY**

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

# CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

## SUMMER CODE REMINDERS

Please help us keep West Point a beautiful and safe place to live by doing your part to keep within the Code requirements of the City.

1. **ILLEGAL PARKING.** West Point City allows vehicles to be parked on City streets for no longer than 48 hours. Please insure that your RV's are removed from the street promptly. Large RV trailers, motor homes and large boats create a very dangerous situation for children who cannot be seen from oncoming traffic.
2. **WEEDS.** Backyard weeds will become a fire hazard if left unattended and uncut. We expect a very dry summer and this situation, when coupled with the fireworks season, could become a disaster.
3. **TREE TRIMMING.** Most trees receive the majority of their growth during the early spring months. Have you looked at the trees growing in your parking strips lately? Do they now overhang the curb or sidewalk making it difficult for garbage trucks, mail delivery vehicles, etc. to approach your curb? Can you or your neighbor walk on your sidewalk without having to duck to avoid low hanging branches? Please make sure that trees are trimmed 7 feet above the sidewalk and 13 ½ feet above the curb.

Should you have any questions, please call or email Bruce Dopp, West Point City Code Enforcement Officer at 801-776-0970 or [bdopp@westpointcity.org](mailto:bdopp@westpointcity.org). Complaints may also be submitted via the City website at [www.westpointcity.org](http://www.westpointcity.org).



## FIREWORKS SAFETY

### Promote & Practice the FOUR BEs

#### BE Prepared:

- Store fireworks out of children's reach.
- Always read and follow label directions.
- Place pets indoors; they are easily frightened by fireworks.
- Always have water handy (a garden hose or a bucket of water).

#### BE Responsible:

- Soak used fireworks thoroughly in a bucket of water.
- Dispose of used fireworks & debris properly.
- Never re-light "dud" fireworks. Wait 15-20 minutes then soak it in a bucket of water.

#### BE Safe:

- An adult should always light fireworks.
- Keep matches & lighters away from children.
- Use fireworks outdoors only.
- Light only one firework at a time & move away quickly.
- Keep children & pets away from fireworks.
- Always remember — do not throw fireworks or hold them in your hand.

#### BE Aware:

- Use only legal fireworks.
- Use fireworks only in legal places.
- Fireworks are prohibited on all state parks, and state or federal forest lands.



# SAVE THE DATE



**EVEN IN THE DARKEST OF TIMES, THERE IS LIGHT!**

AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

A community event promoting physical and mental health in our youth.

Brought to you in partnership by North Davis Communities that Care and Syracuse City.

# WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

LOY BLAKE PARK - 3500 W 550 N

COMMITTEE CHAIR: MARV DRAKE - 801-825-5321

In spite of small military encounters and oppressive taxation imposed by Great Britain, in 1775 there were few colonists who actively supported the concept of separation from the Mother Country. However, in October of that year, King George, in his letter to the Parliament, railed against the colonies and ordered the enlargement of Britain's Army and Navy presence on the colonial continent.

News of this reached America in January 1776 and that same month Thomas Paine, a recent British immigrant, published his pamphlet, Common Sense, which listed several reasons why the colonies should be free of British rule. Over 150,000 copies sold.

On June 7, 1776, one delegate from Virginia, Richard Henry Lee, introduced a motion calling for the Colony's independence. After a heated debate and before taking a short recess, the Continental Congress appointed a five-man committee to draft a formal statement justifying the break. These five men were John Adams, 41, of Massachusetts; Benjamin Franklin, 70, of Pennsylvania; Thomas Jefferson, 33, of Virginia; Richard R. Livingston, 30, of New York; and Roger Sherman, 55, of Connecticut.

Ben Franklin was the senior and considered the most qualified statesman, but it was Thomas Jefferson, the next to youngest of the five who is credited with having written the first draft of the document, incorporating the changes, and of drawing up the final document.

The Congress reconvened on July 1st. On July 2nd, they adopted Lee's resolution and began the debate on the Declaration as presented by the "Committee of Five". The final product, with all the recommended changes, was adopted by Congress on July 4th, which thus became the official date of our declaring our independence from British domination.

The following three facts surrounding our Declaration are interesting to note:

One: During all the changes to the original draft, none were made to the preamble, which begins, "When in the course of human events..." and includes the truism "...We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal..."

Two: John Adams always contended that the day the Continental Congress voted to accept the Richard Henry Lee Resolution, July 2nd, was the day which should have been celebrated as our declaration day. He would never accept an invitation to speak on the 4th.

Three: As an aside, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, both members of the Committee of Five, fellow patriots then adversaries, both died on July 4th, 1826. Adams, on his death bed in Boston, said his one regret was that Jefferson would outlive him. Jefferson had, however, actually died four hours earlier in Virginia.



## OFFICIAL NOTICE OF 2021 PRIMARY ELECTION: AUGUST 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

I, Casey Arnold, City Recorder and Election Official, hereby give **NOTICE OF THE MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION THAT WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021**. Voters must be citizens of the United States; residents of the voting precinct in which they are voting; and 18 years old, or older by the General Election in order to participate.

**SAMPLE BALLOT:** A sample ballot for the upcoming election is provided at <https://www.westpointcity.org/elections>. **PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION:** A public demonstration will be held to test the voting devices and tabulation equipment being used for the election for anyone desiring to witness the testing is invited to attend. Attendance information can be found at [davisvotes.com](https://www.davisvotes.com). **VOTING:** All eligible voters will receive a ballot by mail approximately three weeks prior to Election Day. A list of polling and drop-box locations can be found at <https://www.westpointcity.org/elections>. **ELECTION AUDIT:** audit of the election will be conducted on August 13, 2021 starting at 10:00 a.m. Attendance information can be found at [davisvotes.com](https://www.davisvotes.com).

### CANDIDATES:

the following individuals have declared candidacy and will appear on the ballot:

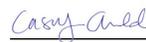
#### MAYOR (1 seat available):

Gary L Petersen  
Brian Vincent  
Jerry G. Chatterton

#### CITY COUNCIL (2 seats available):

Andy Dawson  
Jeremy Strong  
Michele Swenson  
Joelle Caruso  
Brad Lee  
Jeffrey Howard Turner

For more election information and candidate profiles, visit [www.DavisVotes.com](https://www.DavisVotes.com) [www.Vote.Utah.gov](https://www.Vote.Utah.gov), [www.westpointcity.org/elections](https://www.westpointcity.org/elections), or call 801-776-0970. Changes to polling locations will be listed on these websites.



Casey Arnold  
West Point City Recorder

# WEST POINT RECREATION

Contact Kelly Ross at 801-529-3352 or Karly Norwood at 801-931-9716 for more information on recreation activities and sign-ups.

## CO-ED FOOTBALL CAMP

### REGISTRATION:

June 1<sup>st</sup> - July 5<sup>th</sup>

### DATES:

July 7, 8, 9

### TIME:

5:30-7:00 PM

### COST:

\$20

### GRADES:

1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>

\*Playing football in the fall is NOT a requirement!

## CO-ED FALL SOCCER

### REGISTRATION:

July 5<sup>th</sup> - August 2<sup>nd</sup>

### SEASON:

Mid-August - October

### COST:

\$40

### GRADES:

Pre-K - 6<sup>th</sup>

## CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

### REGISTRATION:

July 19<sup>th</sup> - August 16<sup>th</sup>

### SEASON:

Fall - TBD

### COST:

\$40

### GRADES:

3<sup>rd</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>