



West Point City

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

**OCTOBER
2021**

WEST POINT OFFICIALS

**ERIK CRAYTHORNE
MAYOR**

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MAYOR PRO-TEM**

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COUNCIL MEMBER**

**KYLE LAWS
CITY MANAGER**

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

**1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS
6:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION
7:00 PM**

GENERAL SESSION

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS:

**2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS
6:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION
7:00 PM**

GENERAL SESSION

CITY HALL

3200 W 300 N

801-776-0970

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With the changing of the seasons and as the weather starts to cool off, I am sure we are all hopeful that we can get some much-needed rain this fall and a heavy snowpack this winter. I know having the secondary water shut off a whole six weeks early has been hard on our lawns and parks and I appreciate your patience and water conservation efforts.

These fall months are especially important as we are in a municipal election year; more election signs will start appearing, flyers will likely be coming in your mail, and candidates will be busy getting their names out and relaying their platforms to residents. Whether you like or dislike the election process or the people involved with our local government, I think it is safe to say that none of us are envious of the campaigning that candidates have to do to get elected. Being involved the past 20 years has been an amazing experience for me and I have loved most everything about it, with having to campaign every four years being one of the less enjoyable, but necessary, tasks.

As you participate in the political process through voting, I hope that you take the time to research the candidates and make an informed vote. I would dare say that there are a good number of our residents that have never met, or even heard of, some of the candidates on this year's ballot. I don't say that as an insult, but rather that it is likely a factor of living in a growing city with a lot of new faces moving in over the last few years. Ballots will be arriving in the mail soon and as I am not running for re-election, I would like to offer some insight on important things to consider as you decide who to vote for. I believe it would be helpful to understand some of the general duties and responsibilities of a mayor and city council in our particular form of government. Keep in mind that not all cities share the same form of government, especially the larger cities like Salt Lake and Ogden, and so it is important to know the roles of these positions in West Point.

As current Mayor, what I do not do is set city policy; under Utah Law, the mayor does not have the right to vote on an issue, unless in the case of a tie between council members. So, what do I do then? As the Mayor, I am West Point's chief lobbyist on regional boards and councils, and I also connect with all of the mayors in Davis County on a monthly basis to coordinate and work on County-wide issues. Note that being a mayor of any city in Davis County is not a full-time job. Some of the regional boards and councils I am involved with include the North Davis Fire District, Wasatch Integrated Waste Management (the "landfill"), the Utah Transit Authority Advisory

Council (representing Davis County), and North Davis Communities That Care. I also chair all of our City Council meetings and work with the City Manager to set the agendas for each meeting. Additionally, I am invited to and attend high school graduations, County events, open houses for new businesses in West Point and regional businesses throughout the County, and more. However, my favorite thing that I get to do each year, hands down, is meet with the 2nd graders from our elementary schools and talk to them about our great city and how we provide essential services and functions to our residents. It is the best!

What are the roles of a city council member? As a brief summary, city council members vote to set policy, pass the annual budget, and have the general responsibility to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of each resident. For an ordinance (law) or resolution (decision) to pass, there has to be a majority vote in favor. We have five city council members and so three votes are required to have a majority. This means that if a council member has a great idea that he or she wants to implement, two other council members will have to be on board for anything to happen. Hopefully you can see that it is essential for our City Council to work together to find common ground and goals to work towards in governing our City. As I said, this is a really brief summary intended to give you just a general idea of how our government works because as I mentioned previously, I think that it is important to know before you cast your votes.

Again, I urge you to be informed voters. If you don't know some of the candidates, or even if you do but don't know what their goals are if elected, take your responsibility as a voter seriously to research the candidates – visit their social media pages or campaign websites. Or even better, give them a call or send them an email. Perhaps most important, be wary of what you may read on the different social media groups and comment threads; not everything you come across will be completely accurate or even truthful in some instances. I think we can all agree that the internet is a great source of information and a great way to share that information, but there is just as much, and maybe even more, misinformation out there so be careful. Fortunately, we have some great choices to pick from this year and they are all good people who are trying their best to make a difference by being involved.

Bottom line is this: be a part of the process and vote! With vote-by-mail ballots, it has never been easier to cast your vote and let your voice be heard. - Mayor Erik Craythorne

YOUTH COUNCIL

This month the Youth Council has participated in many things! To start, we ran a resource booth at the Illumination event, where we shared the importance of sleep - good sleep is crucial for our mental health, especially for teens! We used a fun interactive jeopardy game to share some facts with visitors!



Next, we gathered for our kickoff party to start the new Youth Council year! We met at the park, ate pizza, and played lots of games including a service scavenger hunt, an obstacle course, and "Would You Rather...?" The Officers also shared our theme for the year: **"Be the change you wish to see in the world."** We are so excited to be back this year and bring change to our community!

If your student missed the deadline and is still interested in joining the West Point Youth Council, please submit an application found at www.westpointcity.org/community-affairs-events/pages/youth-council.

Lydia Merrill, Youth Council City Recorder

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!

This month's lunch will be held on:
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
@ 11:30 AM

The menu for the Senior Lunch will be:

**BEEF STROGANOFF, VEGETABLES,
ROLL & DESSERT**

YOU MUST RSVP TO RESERVE A SPOT

**PLEASE CALL CITY HALL BY
SEPTEMBER 29TH AT (801)776-0970 TO RSVP.**

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

If you are interested in volunteering for the Senior Lunch Program, please contact Shelby Sargent at (801)776-0970 or ssargent@westpointcity.org

OCTOBER

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3	4 SENIOR LUNCH AT 11:30 AM	5 CITY COUNCIL AT 6 PM	6	7 CEMETERY CLEANING	8	9
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17	18	19 CITY COUNCIL AT 6 PM	20	21	22 FALL CLEAN-UP	23 FALL CLEAN-UP
24/31 HALLOWEEN	25	26	27	28 PLANNING COMMISSION AT 6 PM	29	30



JOIN US AT
MISS WEST POINT ROYALTY'S

WEST POINT CITY'S HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL!



OCTOBER 15TH, 2021 @ WEST POINT
JUNIOR HIGH: 2775 W 550 N, WEST POINT, FROM 7:00-8:30 PM

ENJOY SOME FAMILY FUN! GAMES, DRESS UP FOR OUR COSTUME CONTEST AND TREATS!

BRING A CAN OF FOOD TO DONATE TO OUR FOOD DRIVE. FOOD TRUCKS WILL BE AVAILABLE.







SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS!



ANNUAL FALL CLEAN-UP

October 22nd - 23rd

West Point will be providing dumpsters for our Annual Fall Clean Up at the following Parks:

Loy Blake Park: 2 dumpsters

Bingham Park: 1 dumpster

East Park: 1 dumpster

If the dumpsters are full, please try a different location.

DO NOT PILE GARBAGE OUTSIDE OF THE DUMPSTER.

No hazardous materials, concrete, tires, etc. Contact City Hall with questions (801)776-0970.

A CALL FOR HELP

Bring the family for fun, games and food at a fundraiser for "A Call For Help", a non-profit foundation supporting our veterans and others to find help and resources for mental health. **This event is to remember the 22 Veterans that commit suicide every day to escape their demons.**

Join us at Loy Blake Park on October 29, 2021. We will kick off with a 2.2 mile walk starting at the Park and going down 300 N before circling back. There will be food, bounce houses, horseshoe tournament, corn hole tournament, booths, a silent auction and more!

For more information, please contact Tara Evans at tearbear1027@gmail.com

UTAH TAKE BACK

Davis County Sheriff's Office will be offering their medication disposal event this month in West Point!

Date: October 23rd

Time: 10 am - 2 pm

Location: Smith's - 2017 W 300 N

RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Are you 55+? The Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) has volunteer opportunities for you.

RSVP is one of the largest volunteer networks in the nation for people 55 and over. Locally, it is sponsored by the Davis County Health Department-Senior Services Division and has over 300 volunteers.

Volunteering is a great way to stay active, meet new friends, and make a positive impact by helping those around you. You can use the skills and talents you've learned over the years or get the chance to develop new ones while serving in a variety of volunteer activities.

Opportunities include:

- Animal Shelter • Antelope Island • Museums • Food Pantries
- Eccles Wildlife Center • Safe harbor
- Meals on Wheels • Tutoring in Elementary Schools • Long Term Care Advocates
- Making Scarves/Hats for Military • Making Baby Blankets • Virtual Senior Activity Center Instructor

For more information contact

Jennifer Chaffee (801)525-5052

Email: jchaffee@co.davis.ut.us

Jackie Smith (801)525-5094

Email: jmsmith@co.davis.ut.us

OVERNIGHT PARKING

Don't forget, starting November 1st- March 1st there is no overnight parking on the streets!

FREE MEDICARE 101 CLASSES

October 21, 2021 @6:30pm Centerville Library

November 18, 2021 @ 6:30pm Syracuse Library

December 16, 2021 @ 6:30 Farmington Library

No RSVP needed. Call 801-525-5050 opt 5 for any questions or to see about virtual class options.

WASTE COLLECTION

Please do not overload your waste containers. If the lid on a container is open, it is considered overloaded and can be difficult to dump. Please also remember to place waste in its proper container. Lastly, please make sure that your containers are 6 ft. away from other objects and at least 20 ft. away from any vehicles. Please help keep our City as clean and sanitary as possible!

MISS WEST POINT PAGEANT COMMITTEE

We are so excited to welcome Jackie Carman as the new Miss West Point Pageant Director! Our annual pageant would not be possible without people like Jackie and we are so excited to welcome her!

If you are interested in joining the Miss West Point Pageant Committee please email Jackie at misswestpointdirector@gmail.com.

NORTH DAVIS FIRE DISTRICT FIRE PREVENTION NIGHT

Come meet Firefighters and Police Officers along side their K-9 partners and learn about fire prevention!

Sunset City - October 4, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Clearfield - October 6, 2021 at 6:00 PM

West Point - October 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM

PLEASE CHECK THE NORTH DAVIS FIRE DISTRICT'S FACEBOOK OR WEBSITE FOR CHANCES OF CANCELLATION!

CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

WINTER PARKING

With winter just around the corner, our Public Works employees are preparing to keep our roads clear of snow and ice. Their efforts will help make our commutes easier and keep our streets safer.

We need your help to make sure snow removal can be accomplished in the safest and most efficient manner.

West Point City Code 10.05.50 (H)(3) prohibits the parking of any vehicle, trailer, recreational vehicle, etc, on streets between the hours of 1:00 am and 6:00 am beginning November 1st and continuing until the last day of February.

West Point City Code Enforcement and the Davis County Sheriff's Department will be patrolling the streets during the winter months to issue notices and citations to enforce this Ordinance. Because of the obstruction that vehicles parked on the road cause for plowing, vehicles can even be towed at the owner's expense.

Please also be aware that pushing or blowing snow onto public streets is strictly prohibited. As you clear snow, please ensure that it stays on your property.

Your cooperation in helping the City handle another winter is greatly appreciated!

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.

Complaints may also be submitted via the City website at www.westpointcity.org.

COMPLETE CEMETERY CLEANING

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 7

ALL ITEMS MUST BE REMOVED BY OCTOBER 6TH
REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE DISCARDED.
ITEMS MAY BE REPLACED STARTING OCTOBER 8TH

WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

LOY BLAKE PARK - 3500 W 550 N

COMMITTEE CHAIR: MARV DRAKE - 801-825-5321

The first colonial blood spilled at the start of what would become Alvin Cullum York was born in a two-room log cabin December 13, 1887 in Tennessee. He grew up learning to shoot and had to do it well as he had to help provide for the family after his father died during Alvin's 13th year. As a young man, he was active in a local fundamentalist church and when he received his draft notice in 1917, he announced himself as a conscientious objector and wrote on the card, "Don't want to fight." Unfortunately, his church was not a recognized sect and he was drafted anyway.

Assigned to Company G of the 328th Infantry Regiment, he was sent to Camp Gordon in Georgia where his early life in the woods paid off as he demonstrated his skill as a sharpshooter. His battalion commander was a devout Christian whom Alvin enjoyed talking with and who through his example led then Corporal York to accept the cause for which they were fighting. The regiment was sent to Europe and in October 1818 relieved the 28th Infantry Division in the Meuse-Argonne Offensive.

At one point York's platoon was sent to secure an area receiving heavy machine gun fire. They over ran the command post and during the fighting their sergeant was killed leaving York in command of the remaining seven Americans and about 30 German prisoners. As the enemy guns above them were still active, York left his men in charge of the prisoners, worked his way up the hill and with his sharpshooter skills slowly picked off the gunners, ultimately killing 25 Germans, and capturing 35 guns plus an additional 100 men. York was awarded the Medal

of Honor, the French Croix de Guerre and Legion of Honor as well as the Italian Croce al Merito di Guerra. With other awards he would receive, Alvin would later be known as the most decorated American of the Great War. The following month the Armistice would be signed

Fast forward to 1939. The new war in Europe is heating up and Sergeant York is approached for permission to film his story. Though at first reticent, he eventually was convinced that the story would aid preparations for the defense of his country. In 1940, Gary Cooper played the lead part-for which he would receive his only Academy Award-and "Sgt York" became a fixture in history.

Plan on joining with us for the Armistice/Veterans Day Remembrance on 11 November.

DON'T FORGET OUR VETERANS' DAY COMMEMORATION ON NOVEMBER 11TH AT 10:45 AM.

PROGRAM WILL BEGIN WITH AN INVOCATION AND THE RAISING OF THE COLORS, FOLLOWED BY THE SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

THE TRADITIONAL TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE WILL BEGIN AT 11:00 AM.

THE GOAL IN HOLDING THIS COMMEMORATION IS TO HELP KEEP ALIVE THE EVENT WHICH ENDED THE SHOOTING IN A WAR WHICH WAS TO HAVE ENDED ALL WARS.

WITH YOU, WE HONOR ALL VETERANS, BOTH THE LIVING AND THE DEAD WHO SERVED IN ALL THE WARS, BUT STILL HOPE TO RECOGNIZE THE ORIGINAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TIME AND DAY THE SIGNING OF THE ARMISTICE TOOK PLACE:

THE ELEVENTH HOUR OF THE ELEVENTH DAY OF THE ELEVENTH MONTH.



WEST POINT CITY 2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 2, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING OFFICES ARE TO BE VOTED UPON IN THE WEST POINT CITY 2021 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 2:

MAYOR (4-YEAR TERM): <small>(ONE YEAR ANNUALLY)</small>	CITY COUNCIL MEMBER (4-YEAR TERM): <small>(TWO SEATS AVAILABLE)</small>
Gary L. Petersen Brian Vincent	Andy Dawson Michele Swenson Jeremy Strong Brad Lee

Stay Informed Using Poly!

Poly is a new mobile app designed for West Point City residents to stay in touch. Available for download starting September 1.



Scan Below for App Download!

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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.

Recreation Aide positions are available! Visit www.westpointcity.org for more information!

JR. JAZZ

REGISTRATION:
September 27th- October 31st

SEASON:
Nov 28th- March 19th

GRADES & COST:
1st-4th boys - \$50
5th-8th boys - \$60
1st-8th girls - \$50



Keep an eye out for the new recreation registration signs! Visit <https://www.westpointcity.org/recreation>