

Newsletter

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June 4

City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

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June 18

City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.



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Mayors Message – The year 2020 has had some challenges we would have never suspected. I am devastated for those who have suffered loss of health and income, along with other various effects the COVID-19 virus has brought. I am grateful and impressed with things that the citizens of Hyrum and local businesses are doing to help each other and those in our community.

City employees and staff have done well to continue the service that is needed and expected. I appreciate their dedication. Meetings have been

held electronically. The Senior Center has continued to make meals that are picked up curbside. The library has offered curbside pickup and plans to do the summer reading program online. The museum offers various learning opportunities and activities online.

I encourage you to check in on neighbors, especially those who are elderly, have underlying heath conditions or are immune compromised. It is also a good time to evaluate your own personal and family preparedness.

We are committed to doing all we can to provide the best service to our residents. It will be great when we are able to come together as a community and enjoy the traditions we have come to look forward to. Things will improve.

Sincerely, Mayor Stephanie Miller

2020 Star Spangled Celebration – Due to our current situation with the COVID-19 virus all events related to our 4th of July celebration have been canceled except, we are still planning on holding our city fireworks celebration on July 4th at 10:00 p.m. All social distancing restrictions at that date will be required and we will encourage residents to enjoy the fireworks in small groups inside vehicles, own yards, etc. We are tentatively planning on postponing the rodeo to a future date. For the most up-to-date information and modifications – please visit www.hyrumcity.com or Hyrum City's Facebook Page.

Senior Center News – The Hyrum Senior Center is hoping to reopen mid June. Our seniors safety is our biggest concern. When we do open we will be using extra sanitation procedures and will provide face masks as needed. We are just awaiting instruction from our governor.

We are continuing to serve lunch at noon on Wednesdays for free. Please call 245-3570 no later than 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday to sign-up and remember if you get Meals On Wheels you don't qualify for this service.

We are doing a car bingo on Fridays at 11:00 a.m. with a take home lunch for \$2.00. Please call no later than 1:00 p.m. the previous Thursday to join us. We are trying to make life more fun, see your faces and still be safe.

We have books & puzzles that can be checked out for home use – as well as quilts that can be done at home, just give us a call. All trips and musicals are canceled through June 15th, and will keep everyone posted on other planned trips. Yoga is being done online and everyone is invited to join.

Library News – A big thank you to everyone for continuing to support the library during these difficult times. We know there are a lot of changes going on, and we appreciate the kindness you have shown us while we have been closed.

The library will possibly re-open Monday, June 1st with tentative hours: Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. We will still provide hold pickup for those not wanting or not able to come into the library during these same hours.

As we practice social distancing the library will have a list of guidelines that will need to be followed, while in the library. Fewer patrons will be allowed in the library at one time, all children must be accompanied by an adult. We strongly encourage all patrons to wear masks, and limit the amount of time spent in the library. More on this will be available on our website, and social media platforms @hyrumlibrary.

All in person programs are canceled until further notice. Which includes activities that go along with summer reading. We have signed up with an online program called Reader Zone to track your progress with summer reading goals, and of course we will still have prizes! More information about these changes to the summer reading program will be found on our website along with social media.

Museum News – Did you know that an estimated 500 million people (or one-third of the world's population at the time) became infected during the 1918 influenza pandemic? Just like our current pandemic, people exercised non-pharmaceutical interventions such as isolation, quarantine, good personal hygiene, use of disinfectants, and limitations of public gatherings to avoid becoming sick. We have learned that these measures can mitigate the spread of COVID-19, plus with the state easing restrictions, we are pleased to be able to possibly re-open the museum on Tuesday, June 2nd. The health and safety of our community remains our top priority, so you will notice some changes as we will adhere to strict new protocols.

The museum's new hours will be Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We will also be open from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. each of those days just for visitors who are at a higher risk. We will increase hours as the state moves into improved phases of recovery. The museum will be a safe place for our community because we have established new cleaning and sanitizing procedures, workers will be wearing masks and we strongly encourage visitors to as well, and a new one-way route through the exhibits has been established to help visitors maintain six feet of social distancing at all times. You will also notice that some of our interactive, hands-on elements have been removed temporarily. We are thrilled to be able to open the museum and look forward to seeing you!

We are also very excited about our summer-long Passport to Summer Fun children's activity. Passports and activity kits will be available at the museums starting June 2nd. A PDF of the passport will also be available online or you can contact the museum and we will mail one to you if you are not comfortable coming to the museum. As usual, the passport has twelve activities, but instead of having drop-in activities during the summer, we will distribute activity kits that you can complete by watching videos we have posted online (visit our hyrumcitymusuem.org or our Facebook page for more information). We are hoping to be able to have the Pizza Party at the end of the summer, but will have other incentives ready in case that's not possible.

Finally, we are always soliciting stories from all veterans, so please consider creating a scrapbook page for yourself, a family member, friend, or neighbor so we can add his/her story to our collection. Check it out online at www.hyrumheroes.wordpress.com. Please email museum@hyrumcity.com or call 435-245-0208 with questions or for more info.

