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MAYOR'S MESSAGE: NORTH PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Recently I was talking to a citizen who asked me why the police department is named North Park Police. As it turns out; there are many citizens, especially those who are not long time residents who don't know, either. I'd like to give some history about how our police force was created, the relationship to Hyde Park, and the people who work day in and day out to protect all of us.

In 1978 North Logan City Mayor Carl Johnson hired Paul LaMont as Chief of Police. During that year Hyde Park approached Chief LaMont and asked if an agreement could be worked out to have North Logan and Hyde Park share police services. An agreement was entered into by both cities, and on November 20, 1979 the North Park Police Department was formed. Chief LaMont was the only full time officer with one other officer who worked part time. The dispatch headquarters was at the Chief's home, where he had a direct line wired so that calls could be answered 24/7. Paul LaMont remained Chief until he retired in 1993.

That was 29 years ago ----- today, the North Park Police Department is staffed with nine full-time officers, an administrative secretary/evidence custodian, six reserve officers, one Court Bailiff, and an Animal Control officer.

Since 1978, both cities have seen a large increase in population. North Logan has grown to 8,000 residents and is growing at an average rate of over 3.5% annually. Hyde Park is now at 2,000 residents. Calls for service have seen large increases. For example, in 1997 there were 2,464 calls for service; in 2007 5,368 calls were recorded. This resulted in an increase of 49%. What is interesting about these numbers is that the percentage of calls since 2000 has increased almost 10% each year. *This is three times the annual average growth rate.*

For several years the agreement to share police services between the cities worked well but it was recognized that the Joint Law Enforcement Agreement needed more detailed clarification. It was rewritten in 2002 to delineate the funding mechanism in cost sharing, and a Joint Law Enforcement Committee was established to better facilitate communications between each city. In 2007 the committee was renamed the Law Enforcement/Traffic Safety Committee. It is made up of the two mayors, the Police Chief, two city administrators, two members of each council, and citizens from each city. The committee meets monthly, and it is *open to the public*. Reports are received from the Chief on policy, budget, current police issues, and traffic safety issues. The Chief prepares a budget each year that is presented to the committee for review. This is then presented to both city councils for approval. Once the budget is approved, a cost sharing formula based upon ratios of sales tax, property values and the number of calls for each city sets the amount each city will pay for police services.

Now I'd like to tell you about the people who work 24/7 to keep us safe.

Chief Kim Hawkes - was born in Wichita Falls, Texas and was raised in an Air Force family living in various places in and out of the United States. He lives in North Logan, and joined the Logan City Police Department in 1982. He became Chief of Police of the North Park Police Dept. in 1993. Kim has a BS degree from USU in Education. He and his wife Donnett have six children. He is trained and is currently serving as a D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Officer as well as a State of Utah and National D.A.R.E. Trainer. He is a graduate of the National Crime Prevention Institute, University of Louisville. During his career he has served as a Patrol Officer, Juvenile Officer, Department Training Officer and a Detective. He has Mid-Management Certification and has completed Utah Chief's Command College.

Sgt John Italdasano - was born in Bountiful and lives in North Logan. He joined the Department in 1993. John has numerous certifications including, FBI Command College, Accident Reconstruction, DRE (Drug Recognition Expert) Instructor, Sobriety Testing Instructor, Mid-Management Certification, Intoxilizer, Tactics and Investigations. He is in charge of all reserve officers. He and his wife Sheri have three sons.

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Sgt. John Seamons - was born and raised in Smithfield and lives there now. He joined the Department in 1992. John is Patrol Supervisor, Firearms Rangemaster, Department Armor, and SWAT Sniper. He is also a Bridgerland Applied Technology College Police Academy Instructor, and State Certified Firearms Instructor. He and his wife Jennifer have two daughters.

Detective Shawn Bennett - was born in Lansing, Michigan, and lives in Richmond. He joined the Department in 1997. Shawn is a graduate of the Bridgerland Applied Technology College Police Academy. Shawn has served as a patrol officer, and is certified in Interviewing and Interrogations. He has attended advanced Investigators training in Crimes Against Children and Homicide Investigations. He is a certified Crisis Intervention Officer and has attended the Utah State Crime Scene Academy. He and his wife Julie have two sons.

Officer Roger Jardine - was born in Logan and lives in Hyde Park. He joined the Department in 1987. Roger is a certified D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Officer. He is certified in Child Restraint Device Installation and Inspection. He has attended the Utah State Crime Scene Academy. He and his wife RoxAnn have three daughters and one son.

Officer Ulysses "UB" Black - was born in Sacramento, California and lives in Logan. He joined the Department in 2001. He has over thirteen years of law enforcement experience including Willard City, Box Elder County, and Brigham City. His certifications include Police Academy graduate, SWAT, Logan/Cache Gang Taskforce and Crisis Intervention Officer. He and his wife Joni have two daughters and one son.

Officer Ryan Karren - was born in Logan and lives in Hyrum and graduated from Sky View High School. He joined the Department in 2002. He is certified as a Mobile Video Instructor and has attended the Utah State Crime Scene Academy. In 2005 he was the department's Outstanding Officer of the Year recipient and in 2007 he was the "Top Gun Award" recipient for outstanding firearms performance. He and his wife Kim have two children.

Officer Gary Bunce - was born and raised in Hyde Park and graduated from Sky View High School. He joined the Department in 2005 with over fifteen years of experience received in Logan as a Police, Fire and Medical Dispatcher. He graduated from the Bridgerland Police Academy. He is a certified D.A.R.E. Officer. He has attended advanced training in Interviewing and Interrogations and Intermediate Accident Investigations. In 2007 he was the department's Outstanding Officer of the Year. He and his wife Annetta have two daughters and one son.

Officer Lance Wilkinson - was born in Cache Valley and graduated from Sky View High. He joined the department full time in 2007. He graduated from the Bridgerland Police Academy. He is single. He has received advanced training in Intermediated Accident Investigation. As a reserve officer with the North Park Police he was awarded the Outstanding Reserve Officer of the Year Award in 2006. In 2007 he was awarded the department's Life Saving Award in going above and beyond in the attempt to save another person's life.

Animal Control Officer Rocky Taylor - was born on a farm in Driggs, Idaho and graduated from Teton High. While in high school Rocky was State Wrestling Champion of Idaho. Later he attended the University of Idaho and Western Washington graduating with a BA degree. Rocky joined the Department in 2001 as Animal Control Officer. Rocky has had a life long passion for the care of animals, and in his words found his "dream job" when he became our Animal Control Officer now serving North Logan and Hyde Park. In 2005 Rocky was awarded the Outstanding Animal Control Officer of the Year for the State of Utah. He and his wife Valoy have five children.

Karla Eames - was born in Wellsville and lives in Millville. Karla has been with the Department for fourteen years, and is the Administrative Assistant and Secretary to the Chief. She is the Records Manager and Evidence Collection Custodian. When you call the police department she is the one you most often will speak to. She and her husband Tom have three sons.

There you have it. As mayor I am most impressed with the level of professionalism and dedication of all the members of the North Park Police Department. I interact with them on a daily basis, and often ride with the officers on patrol. I go out to the pistol qualification range and not only watch but participate with them. I can speak first hand that we are indeed fortunate to have such highly trained and committed police officers. Under the leadership of Chief Kim Hawkes we are the best of the best in this valley, and they work hard to keep our citizens and streets safe.

If you have any issue you wish to discuss, please call me on my direct line, 760-4615.

Sincerely,

Cary Watkins

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CITY COUNCIL

The day for City Council meetings for 2008 has been changed to the first and third Wednesdays rather than Thursdays and at 6:00 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m.. This change will put the council meetings for February on the 6th and the 20th. During the meeting on Feb 6th the council will hold a Public Hearing to receive public input on proposed revisions to the fiscal year 2008 municipal budget. Following the public hearing the council will consider adopting a resolution implementing the budget changes. That evening the council is also scheduled to consider the Development Plan and metes and bound documents for the Guadarrama Minor Subdivision, a division of 1.03 acres into two lots using the Flag Lot Ordinance and located at 1961 and 1967 North 1200 East.

During the meeting on Feb 20th the council will consider the development plan for the Canyon Gates Subdivision located between 1600 and 2100 East and from 2100 to 2400 North. The previously approved concept plan for this subdivision is for a 146-acre 262-lot subdivision. The plan includes 26.7 acres of stormwater retention area to be dedicated to the city which could also be used as park land.

During the Feb 20th meeting there is also scheduled a Public Hearing to receive public input on proposed revisions to the city's Annexation Policy Plan.

Look for the official council agendas as they are posted at the city offices and the library. The Herald Journal is given a copy of the official agenda as well and they normally print it in the newspaper a day or two before the meeting.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission meetings for 2008 has changed to the first and third Thursdays at 7:00 p.m..

FROM THE CHIEF'S DESK

As we enter into the cold winter months and this year we have some snow, I would like to highlight one thing: As you are out recreating with snowmobiles and OHV please make sure you are operating on **open public lands** or that you have permission to use private property. The foothills to the EAST of us are private up to the forest service line and then it is designated wilderness and is **RESTRICTED to no use of snowmobiles or OHV**. If you do not own the property you should not be riding on it without permission from the property owner.

Attention:

The North Park Police Department is hosting a Community Education Series. In February we are featuring the topic of: **Don't be a Victim; Identity Theft and Fraud**

The presentation will be held on **Wednesday, February 13th 2008 at 7:00 p.m.** at the North Logan Library Public Meeting Room.

FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

When the weather gets colder the chance of a structure fire increases.

Here are a few hints to reduce a potential fire:

1. Never leave candles or fireplace unattended.
2. Don't put hot ashes in the garbage can.
3. Don't overload extension cords or electrical outlets.
4. Don't leave the house when cooking.
5. Always use **UL** listed products.
6. Always have a working smoke and carbon monoxide detector in the house.

The fire department has smoke and carbon monoxide detectors for low income, disabled and elderly, if needed, free of charge. Call 755-5739 for detectors or any questions.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY



- 5 - Presidential Primary Election
- 6 - City Council 6:00 p.m.**
- 7 - Planning Commission 7:00 p.m.**
- 11 - Senior Citizens Luncheon 12:00 p.m.
- 13 - Police Dept. Public Information Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 18 - President's Day - City Office Closed
- 19 - Library Board meeting 6:00 p.m.
- 20 - City Council 6:00 p.m.**
- 21 - Planning Commission 7:00 p.m.**
- 22 - Friends of the Library annual meeting 7:30 p.m.

**** - Day and Time Changes**

Please find more information about these activities in the newsletter articles or call the city offices.

THE BLUE RECYCLING CANS WILL BE PICKED UP ON FEBRUARY 7TH AND 21ST.

Commercial Building Permits

None

Home Businesses

None

Commercial Businesses

None

Comparison to previous year:

Permit Type	2008 to date	2007 to date
Single Family Residence	0	1
Multi-Family (Apt)	0	0
New Commercial (Retail)	0	1
Office	0	1
Remodel (Existing Comm)	0	0
Industrial	0	0

GROWTH CORNER

SUPER CITIZENS!

February is Friendship Month in North Logan

Complete your February Super Citizen Requirement by doing one of the following:

- Go to a movie with a friend at one of the North Logan movie places.
- Support North Logan businesses by buying something for your sweetheart, friend, or someone you care about.
- Eat out at a North Logan restaurant with your sweetheart, family or a friend.

Get your SUPER CITIZEN PASSPORT Stamped for February at the North Logan City Offices or the North Logan City Library.

Don't know what the NORTH LOGAN SUPER CITIZEN AWARD PROGRAM is?

Each month from now until July of 2008, this newsletter and the city's website will have things for you to do to earn your SUPER CITIZEN AWARD. You can do this as a family, a couple, a youth group, an individual (old or young) - anybody that wants to. Do one of the several monthly activities for each month for ten out of the twelve months of the year and you're a Super Citizen. Each month will have a theme for the activities you can do. Turn in your signed-off SUPER CITIZEN SCORESHEET or your SUPER CITIZEN PASSPORT in July of 2008 and be awarded with a Super Citizen tee shirt, pin or patch, and a NL history book. Stop by the North Logan City Offices or the North Logan Library for a SUPER CITIZEN SCORESHEET or your PASSPORT. When you have completed a particular month's activity, have your passport stamped at one of the places identified for that month (usually at the City Offices or the Library) or sign off your scoresheet on your own. If you miss one or several of the months' activities there will be alternative activities you can do to catch up.

SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON



The North Logan Senior Citizens will hold their monthly luncheon at 12:00 noon on Monday, February 11th at the Golden Corral at 2044 North Main in North Logan. The cost is \$3.50 per person and all senior citizens are invited to attend.

Please **RSVP** to Savannah Baker at (753-0287), Lila Eddington (753-0203), Eva Fay Anderson (753-0340), Eileen Stocking (752-1217) or Alva Johnson (753-3070) by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8th.**

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Black History Month

Come on in for books and movies about Black History Month and the civil rights movement. We'll also have displays of materials about and created by famous African Americans. For even more information, Public Pioneer has put together a special "Black History Month" collection at http://pioneer.utah.gov/internet_resources/features/black_history_month.htm.

Valentine's Day

Whether you're celebrating Valentine's or Singles Awareness Day, we have something for you. Planning a romantic meal? Come browse our huge cookbook section. Want creative decoration ideas or crafts to do with kids? Or maybe just a fabulous love story or two to read? We've got them. If your plans include a good romantic (or not) movie, check out our great video and DVD selection.

Story Times

Our story times are growing quickly, and we love seeing you each week! Toddler Times (for ages 0-2) are held on Tuesdays from 10:10am – 10:30am and Story Times (for the 3-5 crowd) are Fridays from 11:00am – 11:30am. This is a great way to share books with your children.

Free lessons on YouTube

You may already use YouTube (www.youtube.com) to watch things like TV clips or music videos, but what about guitar lessons? Or ballroom dance? There are thousands of instructional videos uploaded by teachers, tutors, and experts offering lessons on everything from math to manga, from cooking to crochet. Have a look!

Library Book Club pick: *Rich in Love* by Josephine Humphreys

At the age of seventeen, Lucille Odom finds herself in the middle of an unexpected domestic crisis. As she helps guide her family through its discontent, Lucille discovers in herself a woman rich in wisdom, rich in humor, and rich in love. (from Book Description)



This month's discussion, led by Wanda Allen, will be held on **Thursday, February 14th at 9:00 a.m. at the Library**. All are welcome! Copies are available at the library for check-out.

The North Logan Library Board Meeting

The board meeting will be held at the library at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19th. The meetings are open to the public and will be held the third Tuesday of every month.

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the North Logan Library will hold its annual meeting Friday, February 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the library's meeting room. Trustees for the coming year will be elected. If you have an interest in serving on the Friends board as a trustee or officer please call Joseph Hawkes 753-5864 or j.hawkes@comcast.net. Become a FRIEND. Annual dues of \$5.00 per individual of \$10.00 per family can be paid at the library.

Kindergarten Registration for North Park Elementary

Registration for North Park Kindergarten will be Wed., March 5th from 9:30 to 3:30 and Thurs. March 6th from 9:30 to 6:00 in the North Park Office. To register, your child must turn 5 by September 1, 2008. Please bring a copy of a certified birth certificate and all of your immunization records.



Also, please bring your kindergarten student as we will be doing a short assessment. We are asking for a donation of \$25.00 for food experiences. For questions please call Linda @ 752-5121.

Winter Parking Restrictions

Aren't we enjoying the snow this year!!! This is your reminder that the winter parking ordinance went into effect on November 15th. This means vehicles cannot be parked on city streets, curbs and shoulders between 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 am. Citations will be issued.

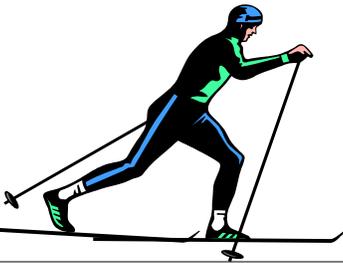
Snow Plows

During other hours, if it is snowing, or beginning to snow, we'd appreciate you not parking on the streets and also not pushing snow and ice onto the road. That will help our snow plows keep your roads clean and safe for you and your family. Also, please do not put out your garbage cans until after the snow plows have passed your home.

Wal-Mart Parking

We have had an increasing number of people parking in front of Wal-Mart or loading in front of Wal-Mart rather than parking in the parking areas designated for parking in the Wal-Mart lot. This has resulted in an increased number of citations being issued.

PLEASE NOTE that the front curbside area marked with yellow stripes is a fire lane and **NO PARKING IS ALLOWED AT ANY TIME.**



Just a reminder that King Nature Park is open for winter recreation activities, including cross-country skiing and hiking.

Let's enjoy our beautiful canyon!

TIME TO LICENSE THOSE DOGS AND CATS!!!

All dogs AND CATS (except field cats) are required to be vaccinated for rabies, and licensed. The fees are:

<i>Spayed or neutered dog</i>	<i>\$ 10.00</i>	<i>Un-neutered or spayed dog</i>	<i>\$ 20.00</i>
<i>Spayed or neutered cat</i>	<i>\$ 5.00</i>	<i>Un-neutered or spayed cat</i>	<i>\$ 10.00</i>

Proof must be provided that the rabies vaccination is effective for at least six (6) months past licensing date.

Notice: Only two dogs and/or four cats are allowed on a residential property of less than one acre. Properties of more than one acre may have more than two dogs and four cats by *conditional use permit only*. Application for a conditional use permit is \$20, and the kennel license is \$50 per year. Late fees (after March 1st) and citations will be issued for those animals that are not licensed. Call 752-1310 for details.

