



Sugar City

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April 2021 CALENDAR

- April 1 – Planning and Zoning **CANCELLED**
- April 3 – **Easter Celebration @12:30 p.m. at Heritage Park**
- April 4 – **Easter Sunday**
- April 8 – City Council 6:30 pm by ZOOM
- April 15 – Planning and Zoning 7:00 pm by ZOOM
- April 22 – City Council 6:30 pm by ZOOM
- Dates to Remember:**
- May 6 – Planning & Zoning 7:00 pm by ZOOM
- ***All city meetings are subject to change - see city website for meeting schedules*****



Happy Easter!

EASTER CELEBRATION:
Saturday, April 3rd at 12:30 p.m. at the Heritage Park Gazebo.
 Children may get their pictures taken with the Easter Bunny and a bag of Easter eggs will be handed out. ***There will NOT be the traditional Easter Egg Hunt at Smith Park.***

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Tree and Beautification Committee is in need of volunteers to help out with the city's Arbor Day Program in May and the Yard & Garden Awards from June through September. Please call city hall for details or if you are interested in volunteering for other city committees. Thank you!

BILLING STATEMENT CHANGES: The change to postcard billing should start this month. There will no longer be a printed newsletter starting this month. The newsletter will be available to view at sugarcityidaho.gov under the "Announcements" tab. If you would like a printed copy of the newsletter, call city hall.

GO PAPERLESS WITH E-BILLING! We really appreciate all of those who have signed up for e-billing. We would like to encourage our citizens to sign up. If you are interested, go to www.paymentservicenetwork.com and register as a first time user. You may opt out of paper bills there. If you go paperless, you will be sent an email each month telling you that your bill is ready to view.

METER READINGS: The meters are being read over the first few days of April. Your bill will be sent out after the meter reading is finished. Your bill due in April will reflect the actual usage over the winter months. Don't use sprinklers until after first week in April.

CITY DUMPSTER: The city dumpster should be available the week of April 12th. It is slightly delayed because the Public Works Department will be upgrading the area with gravel to eliminate driving and walking in a muddy area during the wet seasons.

DOG LICENSE REMINDER: Licenses expired Dec. 31st. Cost is \$15 per year. Make sure your pets are up to date. If you have a photo of your pet to put on file this would also be helpful.



BUSINESS LICENSE REMINDER: Business licenses expired Dec 31st. Commercial licenses are \$20.00. Home businesses are \$10.00. You may send in a check to pay for your license and a new license will be mailed to you. **(Do not combine with utility payment; it must be a separate check.)**

****SEWER AND WATER EMERGENCIES**** We would like to remind all residents that in case of an emergency such as a water leak or sewer issue that happens after hours or on weekend, you can call city hall and there is an emergency option that will transfer you to our public works director. The sooner you call the better to avoid more complications.

Important Sugar City Cemetery Update

The pump for the irrigation well at the Sugar City Cemetery along with the power line that serves it needs to be replaced and other necessary repairs made at a cost of up to \$50,000. More than 50 years old and obsolete, the pump system is now beyond fixing and must be upgraded.

Without a working pump to supply irrigation water, the cemetery will turn into a large patch of weeds.

The current cemetery budget comes from county taxes, which barely provide enough revenue to pay the sexton to maintain the grounds. By law, the cemetery cannot raise its budget more than 3 percent a year, get loans, or go into debt.

In the past, the cemetery board applied for and received grants for expansion. Volunteers also provided labor to beautify parts of our cemetery. This past year we have not been able to qualify for additional grants.

We have asked the county for help, but commissioners directed us to seek other means of support first. We have nowhere to turn but to our citizens and businesses.

To maintain the cemetery, the pump and electrical supply system must be in place before Memorial Day. We must raise the money this April and May. Any contributions from our community will show we are striving to do our part.

We welcome donations in any amount, which are tax deductible. You may deposit or mail checks (made out to Sugar Salem Moody Cemetery—with a note “for pump”) at Key Bank 110 E. Main Street, Rexburg, Idaho 83440, or mail or drop off donations to Sugar Salem Moody Cemetery, 10 Jaxon Drive, Sugar City, Idaho, 83448.

Our cemetery is a vital part of our community and we desire to maintain it as a beautiful sanctuary, where family members can visit, mediate, reflect and remember their deceased loved ones.

Thank you, in advance, for any contributions you can afford to contribute.

Sincerely,

Sugar Salem Moody Cemetery Board