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## City of Sugar City

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# SEPTEMBER 2016



**Sept. 1** – Planning & Zoning Meeting @ 7 p.m.

**Sept 5 – Labor Day –**  
**City Hall Offices Closed**

**Sept. 3-10**  
Eastern Idaho State Fair

**Sept. 8** – City Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

**Sept. 11 – Patriots Day**

**Sept. 15** – Planning & Zoning Meeting @ 7 p.m.

**Sept. 16 – Constitution Day**

**Sept. 17** - VFW Community Breakfast 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
2nd North 5th West  
\$5 donation, under 12 are free

**Sept. 22** – City Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

**Sept. 22 – Autumn Begins**

**Sept. 26 – Oct 7**  
Sugar-Salem Harvest Break

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

**Oct 17**  
City Wide Clean-up Begins

### CITY OF SUGAR CITY:

Web site: [sugarcityidaho.gov](http://sugarcityidaho.gov)  
Facebook:  
[facebook.com/sugarcityidaho](https://www.facebook.com/sugarcityidaho)  
Twitter:  
[twitter.com/sugarcityidahow](https://twitter.com/sugarcityidahow)

### SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

911 – Emergencies  
356 5426 – Sheriff's Office (non-emergency)  
356 3282 – Crime Busters (to stay anonymous)  
Web site:  
[www.madisonsheriff.com](http://www.madisonsheriff.com)

**\*\*SCHOOL IS IN SESSION\*\*:** We caution everyone to drive carefully and watch for children. Also notice that during school hours Center Street will be back down to 25 mph.

**CITY IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:** We are excited for the addition of the handicap accessible street corners along Center Street and also for those that are currently being worked on. We are also very excited for the continuation of the sidewalk along Heritage Park to the high school. This will really benefit Sugar City's students and residents. This will greatly enhance the safety of our children as they ride their bikes and walk to and from school. It will give them a place to walk other than the shoulder of the slick road in the winter time.

**LOST & FOUND:** On August 23<sup>rd</sup> a citizen turned in a **lost phone** found near the high school cross walk. If you're missing a phone, call City Hall to identify and claim it @ 356-7561.

**UTILITY FEE INCREASE:** Utility fees for water, sewer & garbage will increase starting in October. You will notice the increase on your November billing. Please call if you have questions.

**FLOWERS:** Did you enjoy the flowers on Main Street this summer? We have appreciated the contributions and the work of the Tree & Beautification Committee to plant and care for the flowers that have helped make our city a beautiful place.

**CITY WIDE CLEAN-UP:** The date for city clean-up to begin is October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please **do not** put items out on the roads or alleys more than one week ahead of time. If you have items that you need to discard before then or other than the 2 times a year we provide this service, please note that we have a dumpster on the west side of Elevator Park (where the old silo is buried). Please follow these guidelines for items to be removed or placed in the dumpster. THANK YOU!

Due to regulations, we cannot pick up:

- leaves and grass clippings unless they are bagged,
- large remodeling materials, roofing, large pieces of concrete and tires,
- hazardous waste such as paint, chemicals, batteries, & used oil.

**HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DATES:** Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day for Madison County residents is coming up Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) and 9<sup>th</sup> (Friday). The collection will take place at the Madison County Transfer Station at 530 Airport Road in Rexburg from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This service is **free of charge**. The next collection dates will be in May.

**GARBAGE PICK-UP REMINDER:** Please have garbage set out by **6:00 A.M. Friday**. Due to Labor Day the 5th, garbage pick-up for that week will be on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup>.  
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Dear Residents,

The city is considering implementing a recycling service for our residents due to an interest expressed in such a program. We would like to hear more feedback from our citizens. Of the responses we have received so far, 88% would like a recycling program and 78% said they would be willing to pay for the service. Below is some information for you to consider. If you haven't taken the survey mentioned in our previous newsletters, please take the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/682DZNC> or notify the city if you would be interested in participating in such a program. We need **125 committed** residents before we can have this service. Invite your friends and neighbors to take the survey. Pick-up would be every 2 weeks on garbage day.

## Recycling Facts - [www.recyclingbin.com](http://www.recyclingbin.com)

### Paper

- Recycling 1 ton of paper saves 17 mature trees, 7,000 gallons of water, 3 cubic yards of landfill space, and 2 barrels of oil.
- Every ton of paper recycled can save the energy equivalent of 165 gallons of gasoline.
- 17 trees can absorb a total of 250 pounds of carbon dioxide from the air each year. Burning that same ton of paper would create 15,000 pounds of carbon dioxide.
- The process of recycling paper instead of making it from new materials generates 74% less air pollution and uses 50% less water.
- Manufacturing recycled paper uses only 60% of the energy needed to make paper from new materials.
- The construction costs of a paper mill designed to use recycled paper is 50% to 80% less than the cost of a mill using new pulp.

### Metal

- Recycling steel and tin cans saves 74% of the energy used to make them from virgin materials.
- A used aluminum can is recycled and back in use as a new can in as little as 60 days.
- Used aluminum cans are the most recycled item in the U.S. Other types of aluminum, such as siding, gutters, car components, storm window frames and lawn furniture can also be recycled.
- There is no limit to the amount of times aluminum can be recycled.
- A steel mill using recycled scrap reduces water pollution, air pollution, and mining waste by about 70%.
- Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a TV for three hours or saves the equivalent of half a gallon of gasoline.

### Plastic

- 86% of plastic bottles in the U.S. end up in a landfill or incinerator. That averages to around 60 million plastic bottles ending up in landfills and incinerators every day.

### Glass

- 80% of glass is estimated to be recycled into new containers.
  - By making new glass bottles from 50% recycled material, enough energy is saved to power 45,000 households for a year and prevent 181,550 tons of waste from entering landfills each month.
  - A typical glass processing facility can recycle 20 tons of color-sorted glass per hour.
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August 30, 2016

Dear City Residents,

One of the more controversial issues that the city council has been dealing with over the last few years is the animal ordinance. I would like to address this issue with you.

Back in February of 2010 an ordinance was passed by the city council to govern dogs. There had been many complaints of dogs running at large and disturbing other people's property. There had been a dog ordinance in place for many years, but it did not adequately address the problem. Now a license and use of a leash is required for dogs.

However, there were complaints about other types of animals, and so the city council passed an ordinance in May of 2014 to control these animals. In that ordinance it prohibited many animals that would be considered as livestock. However, there were still people in the city that were opposed to this ordinance.

Therefore, the city council began a process whereby they held three public meetings to obtain as much testimony as possible on the issue. They spent the next two years reviewing testimony and trying to address many of those concerns.

Finally, they arrived at what they thought was a good solution, and held two additional public hearings on the ordinance. There was still some concern, especially from those that did not want to lose their ability to have animals.

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Based on those comments, a solution was agreed upon which allowed those who currently have prohibited animals to keep them for as long as they desired under a permit system. They would need to file a permit each year, and would be subject to inspections to make sure their animals were cared for, and were not a nuisance to their neighbors. However, if the use was discontinued by the permit holder for a period of more than one year the use would cease. It was felt that this would be a good compromise, by protecting those who would like to keep their animals, and those who do not.

One of the issues brought up in this process is that the city was not enforcing the ordinances already on the books. I have taken this seriously, and we are in the process of hiring a Code Enforcement Officer. This person will be delegated the authority to approach a citizen that is found to be in violation of the city code, and see if we can't get a commitment to correct any deficiencies. We would only issue a citation in the event that a satisfactory solution could not be agreed upon.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about this. I would be happy to meet with any or all of you on this new ordinance.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David D. Ogden', with a large, stylized initial 'D'.

David D. Ogden  
Mayor

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