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Hours: M-TH 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
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Upcoming Events

- Monday, September 4, 2023**
LABOR DAY – Office Closed
- Tuesday, September 5, 2023**
PRIMARY ELECTION
- Wednesday, September 6, 2023**
Garbage pickup due to Labor Day
- Thursday, September 7, 2023**
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, September 14, 2023**
City Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, September 16, 2023**
Day of Service – 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, September 19, 2023**
Primary Election Canvass-6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 20, 2023**
WATER BILLS DUE
- Thursday, September 21, 2023**
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, September 28, 2023**
City Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, October 5, 2023**
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.

Hello, September. I didn't expect you so soon
It's **FALL**, ya'll!



MAYOR'S COMMENTS

On September 17th we will celebrate the signing of the US Constitution. That sacred document established freedom as no other document in history. From September 11th to September 17th, there will be community events memorializing America and our liberty. I encourage everyone to participate. Please take a monument and share with our youth your feelings on our blessed country. ~ Mayor Mote



This year's Day of Service activity is called the Willard Dam Project. It will include clearing debris from the flood basins and removing foliage from the berms. The project will be held on Saturday, September 16th. We are hoping for 100 volunteers armed with shovels, rakes, pruning shears, and gloves. Meet at the Nature Park bowery at 9:00 a.m.

The **September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance** or **9/11 Day** is a federally-recognized National Day of Service that happens in the United States on the anniversary of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. Originally founded by the 9/11 nonprofit MyGoodDeed (d.b.a. 9/11 Day), the September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance later became federally recognized and authorized as a Day of Service. Surveys conducted by MyGoodDeed claim that approximately 35 million Americans observe 9/11 Day by engaging in some form of charitable service, making 9/11 Day the largest annual day of charitable service in the United States. According to the nonprofit MyGoodDeed, the purpose of the September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance is to transform the anniversary of 9/11 from a day of tragedy into a day of doing good. "We wanted to make sure the terrorists didn't have the last word in forever defining for generations how America would remember and observe 9/11," said 9/11 Day and MyGoodDeed co-founder David Paine. "We wanted instead to honor the victims and those who rose in service by keeping alive the spirit of unity and service that arose in the immediate aftermath of the September 11 attacks.

Agendas for the meetings are posted at City Hall, on the City's website www.willardcity.com, and on the State of Utah Public www.utah.gov/pmn.



**The Primary Election will be
Tuesday, September 5th.**

**Primary Election Canvass
September 19th at 6:30 p.m.
sWillard City Offices**

**The General Election will be
Tuesday, November 21st.**

**Register to vote at
voter.utah.gov**



Republic Services wants Willard residents to know that they have heard your complaints. They have asked that Willard residents place all grass clippings in bags to facilitate dumping. They also asked that residents put their garbage cans out the night before pickup is scheduled.



The History of Peaches

Written by Farmer Kristin from Frog Hollow Farm



Peaches are the third most popular fruit in the United States. Peaches originated in China, where they are native to northwest China. Archaeologists believe that peaches in China were first domesticated along the Yangzi River, where they have found fossilized peach stones believed to be from 6000 BC. Historians have found peaches discussed in Chinese writings from the 10th century. Of specific importance to Chinese culture was the peach blossom, thought to fend off evil spirits and provide vitality. When traveling between towns, Emperors were preceded by soldiers carrying peach blossoms, and each New Year began with peach blossoms hung on front doors all over the county.

To this day, China is the world's leading peach producer. China produces half of the world's peaches followed by Italy and then the USA. The United State grows 1.9 billion pounds of peaches annually.

The botanical name for peach is "Prunus persica", translated from Latin to "Present from Persia", referring to the Persian introduction of the Peach to the Romans. After conquering Persia, Alexander the Great took peach seeds to Europe, marking the introduction of the fruits to Spain and France. In the 16th century, Spanish explorers brought the first peaches to South America; from there, the peach traveled to England, where it became a rare and prized delicacy. It was known that Queen Victoria's favorite treat was a fresh peach after dinner.

In the early 17th century, English colonist George Minifie planted the first peach at his home in Virginia. This is thought to have been the first peach tree planted in North America. In 1768, Thomas Jefferson planted peach trees at his estate Monticello but it took another 100 years for peaches to be commercially grown in the United States. They were first grown for sale by farmers in Maryland, Delaware, Georgia, and Virginia. Peaches now grow throughout the world's temperate regions.

Thousands of varieties of peaches have been developed. Yellow-flesh varieties such as Elberta, Redhaven, and Halford are preferred in North America. Early Elbertas are a particular favorite in our area. Red-fleshed peaches are the rarest. What is your favorite?

DEPARTMENTS

ADMIN – A lost cell phone has been turned into the Police Department.

POLICE – Dogs: All dogs over six months of age are required to be licensed. To license your dog we need proof of rabies vaccinations and proof of spay or neutering if they have been. Willard City allows a maximum of three dogs per residence.

If you take your dogs for a walk to the park, including the Nature Park or along the streets, to "do their business" please do your part and clean up after them. Let's keep Willard beautiful! Any owner caught with their dog off leash or "running at large" will be issued a citation. After the loss of a family pet due to a neighboring dog, a Willard resident has pleaded that those with dogs be more responsible for their dogs.

Parks. Please contact the Police Department if you know anything about the recent vandalism at the Nature Park. It is very expensive to clean up.

- **Lock your Vehicles** – There are still reports of items being taken from vehicles. There has also been an increase in trailer thefts along the Wasatch Front please take the time to put locks on trailers. Report any suspicious activity as soon as possible.
- **Speed Limits** – The speed limits on all streets in Willard is 25 mph unless posted otherwise. Please slow down when coming down off of the east bench. School is back in session please watch for kids going to and coming home from school and around bus stops.



PUBLIC WORKS – Streets. Please clear debris from the sides of the roads to allow for maintenance in preparation for the white stuff.

- o **Water** –Please make sure your water meter is clear and accessible by trimming bushes and moving vehicles.
 - o Protect our water system. Did you know putting a hose in a pool and then shutting it off without taking it out of the pool can contaminate drinking water? Planning on putting in a sprinkler system? Doing outside watering? Visit our website www.willardcity.com for valuable information on how to avoid cross connection and for important backflow prevention information. Help protect our water. Check out the Division of Water Resources website for great information on water conservation <https://conservewater.utah.gov/>
 - o **Sewer**- Property owners are responsible for the sewer line from your home to the main line. Make sure sewer cleanouts are cut off at ground level and capped or protected to avoid debris from causing costly back-ups into your house and breaking off.
- FIRE -** The Fire Department's annual open house will be in October
Burn Permits may be issued between September 15th and October 15th. Dates are subject to change depending on the weather. Contact the Box Elder County Fire Marshall for open burn regulations and a permit.



CERT “PREPPER” PAGE - SEPTEMBER 2023

September is ****National Preparedness Month****

National Preparedness month is an annual observance that takes place in September to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) sponsors this event and encourages Americans to take steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, schools, businesses, and communities.

During National Preparedness Month, FEMA provides resources and tools to help individuals, families, and communities prepare for emergencies. These resources include a social media toolkit, personal disaster preparedness guides for people with disabilities, and public service announcements.

It is important to note that being prepared for emergencies is not limited to a single month. FEMA recommends taking steps throughout the year to prepare for potential disasters. Some of these steps include creating an emergency kit, making a family communication plan, staying informed about potential hazards in your area, and getting involved in community preparedness efforts.

2023 FALL C.E.R.T. TRAINING CLASSES

The Fall C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Training) Classes will begin in October. This training is provided to all Willard area residents as a public service by Willard City and Willard Fire Department. These classes are designed to help all citizens become better prepared for all types of emergency or disaster situations.

Training sessions range from PERSONAL PREPAREDNESS to a wide variety of FAMILY, NEIGHBORHOOD, and COMMUNITY readiness. We encourage every household to have at least one CERT trained family member.



All classes are held at Willard City Office Building - 80 West 50 South.

The cost is **\$10** per person.

Classes will be offered 'in-person' only this year.

Class Dates: Tuesday, Oct. **17** & Thursday, Oct. **19** 6:30 PM

Saturday, Oct. **21** 9 AM – 3 PM

Tuesday, Oct. **24** & Thursday, Oct. **26** 6:30 PM

Saturday, Oct. **28** 9 AM – 3 PM



Class Training Sessions will be posted on the Willard City Website (willardcity.com) and on local area Willard Residents and Willard City CERT Facebook pages.

Please call/text SUE ANDERSON at 801 589-8270 or NOVA DUBOVIK 801 941-7798 to register.

Make sure to check the City Website and Facebook pages for the most current updates, details and additional info.

***** Special Note to current CERT Team Members: Has it been awhile since you completed CERT Training? (More than 3 years ago)**

It's time to recertify!!!!

Call Sue to register for upcoming classes. ***

