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

- Thursday, November 3**
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 8**
ELECTION DAY – Please vote
- Thursday, November 10**
City Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, November 11**
VETERAN'S DAY – Office Closed
- Thursday, November 17**
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, November 24**
THANKSGIVING – Office Closed
- Friday, November 25**
Office Closed for Thanksgiving
Willard Justice Court open
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

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.

**November comes and November goes,
With the last red berries and the first white snows.
With night coming early and dawn coming late,
And ice in the bucket, and frost by the gate.
The fires burn and the kettles sing,
And earth sinks to rest until next spring
~Clyde Watson**



MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Fall harvest is a wonderful time of year. I can't think of anything more enjoyable than a fresh garden tomato or an apple right off the tree. We truly live in a blessed community with abundant natural resources. I believe God has shown his favor on our little town for generations. I hope you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving.



Your current dog license and/or business license will expire on December 31, 2022. Renewal forms will be mailed this month. Renew before January 31, 2023, to avoid late fees.



Important Announcements

LIVE NATIVITY AND INTERNATIONAL CRECHE DISPLAY

**Sunday, November 27th
4:00 – 8:00 p.m.
South Willard Stake Center
840 West 8300 South**

Volunteers needed for live nativity
Contact Nancy Bischoff
801-710-8134 if interested
Or watch Willard Facebook page for a link



CONNECT is actively working to bring fiber optic internet to Willard City residents. Currently, they have completed the required surveying and planning processes; aerial fiber pole surveys throughout Willard and along Highway 89; underground infrastructure planning; and aerial fiber planning, including measuring EVERY telephone pole in town and along Highway 89 to the Weber County line. As you can see, this is a lot of work, but they are moving forward. Their next steps include permitting with Rocky Mountain Power, web building an extension of their fiber backbone from Weber County to Highway 89, and building backhaul infrastructure along Highway 89. Those steps will be followed by aerial fiber infrastructure installation inside Willard City, and then, FINALLY - hopefully, they will be ready to begin installations to homes in Willard in the spring of 2023.



THANKSGIVING FUN FACTS

(according to World Strides Blog)

- The first Thanksgiving was celebrated in 1621. It included 50 Pilgrims, 90 Wampanoag Indians, and lasted three days. Historians believe that only five women were present.
- Turkey wasn't on the menu. Venison, duck, goose, oysters, lobster, eel, and fish were likely served, alongside pumpkins and cranberries (but not pumpkin pie or cranberry sauce!).
- Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a national holiday on October 3, 1863. Sarah Josepha Hale, the woman who wrote "Mary Had A Little Lamb," convinced Lincoln to make Thanksgiving a national holiday after writing letters for 17 years.
- The history of U.S. presidents pardoning turkeys is patchy. Harry Truman is often credited with being the first president to pardon a turkey, but that's not quite true. He was the first to receive a ceremonial turkey from the National Turkey Federation – and he had it for dinner. John F. Kennedy was the first to let a Thanksgiving turkey go, followed by Richard Nixon who sent his turkey to a petting zoo. George H.W. Bush is the president who formalized the turkey pardoning tradition in 1989.
- There are four towns in the United States named "Turkey." They can be found in Arizona, Texas, Louisiana, and North Carolina.
- The average number of calories consumed on Thanksgiving is 4,500.
- Butterball answers more than 100,000 turkey-cooking questions via their Butterball Turkey Hotline each November and December.
- The tradition of football on Thanksgiving began in 1876 with a game between Yale and Princeton. The first NFL games were played on Thanksgiving in 1920.



Veterans Day is a well-known American holiday, but there are also a few misconceptions about it — like how it's spelled or whom exactly it celebrates. To clear up some of the confusion, here are some important facts you should know.

Veterans Day does NOT have an apostrophe.

A lot of people think it's "Veteran's Day" or "Veterans' Day," but they're wrong. The holiday is not a day that "belongs" to one veteran or multiple veterans, which is what an apostrophe implies. It's a day for honoring all veterans — so no apostrophe needed.

Veterans Day is NOT the Same as Memorial Day.

A lot of Americans get this confused, and we'll be honest — it can be a little annoying to all of the living veterans out there. Memorial Day is a time to remember those who gave their lives for our country, particularly in battle or from wounds they suffered from a battle. Veterans Day honors all of those who have served the country in war or peace — dead or alive — although it's largely intended to thank living veterans for their sacrifices.

It was originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the end of World War I.

World War I officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. However, the actual fighting ended about seven months earlier when the Allies and Germany put into effect an armistice on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, was largely considered the end of "the war to end all wars" and dubbed Armistice Day. In 1926, Congress officially recognized it as the end of the war, and in 1938, it became an official holiday, primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I. But then World War II and the Korean War happened, so on June 1, 1954, at the urging of veterans service organizations, Congress amended the commemoration yet again by changing the word 'armistice' to 'veterans' so the day would honor American veterans of all wars. We celebrate and honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

~ (Thanks to Katie Lange U.S. Department of Defense)

ACCORDING TO WILLARD CENTENNIAL, WILLARD CITY HAS 57 WORLD WAR I VETERANS AND 145 VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II.



DEPARTMENTS

ADMINISTRATION – The new water rates went into effect on October 1st. They will be reflected in this month's bill. Meters will not be read during the winter months to protect them from freezing. If you use more than the allotted 17,000 gallons per month, you will receive a 'catch up' bill in the spring. Pay attention to the usage on your water bill. Average winter usage is 5,000-10,000 gallons per household. If your usage is going up during the winter months and you haven't had a lot of company, you may have a leak!

Check out online utility payment options

www.xpressbillpay.com

If temperatures drop below freezing for a period of time, consider leaving a tap dripping to avoid frozen lines.

POLICE – We would like to welcome Jordan Harper, our new part-time police officer.

Chief Fielding would like to remind residents to call dispatch 435-734-3800 Option 0 to report thefts, request VIN verifications, or any other reason you need a police officer to respond. City office personnel do not have direct contact with the officers. Call 911 if it is an emergency.

FIRE - **Do you have an address on your house?** Is it visible or large enough to be seen from the street during the day and illuminated at night? Unreadable house numbers could delay a response from emergency personnel. If you can't see your house numbers from the street, neither can emergency personnel.

PUBLIC WORKS – Make sure to winterize your sprinkler lines properly in order to avoid broken lines and costly leaks. Please make sure your water meter is accessible in case of an emergency.

Remove trailers, vehicles, landscaping rocks, debris piles, etc. from road sides to allow snow to be pushed as far off the asphalt as possible.

Just a reminder to please contact the City prior to making any improvements to the City rights-of-way along City roads. We need to ensure that runoff is appropriately taken care of and not passed on to your neighbors.





A Global Food Crisis ??????

“Who controls the food supply controls the people.” - Henry Kissinger

Something is brewing. We can see it. We can feel it. We read about it. We hear about it, almost daily, in the news. We are part of it..... Grocers around the country are having a hard time keeping their shelves stocked, we are waiting longer for supplies when we order online, and there are worldwide protests raging over food. There is a global food security crisis out there. It's at our doorstep.

What's causing it? There isn't just one factor contributing to the food-security crisis — this is a culmination of globalism, bad politics and worse policies, unrealistic regulations, high inflation, power grabs by billionaires and governments, and, of course, the war in Ukraine.

Many Americans naively believe food will always be available. We've gotten used to driving through fast-food restaurant lines, visiting fully stocked grocery stores, having food delivered within the hour, and Amazon packages delivered in a day.

If 2020 wasn't a wake-up call for us, we might be in for an even ruder awakening in the coming months. America's food supply is in danger – and not just because of the ongoing pandemic-driven supply chain issues and high inflation.

Most of us don't think about where our food comes from, or the many industries (and the government branches) involved in getting that food from its original condition to the plate sitting in front of us.

But, when any part of this elaborate chain goes down or is weakened, it becomes harder to get food on the table – whether it's because there isn't food on the shelves or because it has become too expensive to purchase.

And that's exactly what's happening now. One thing is certain: it's time to prepare for more price spikes, ingredient shortages at grocery stores, and abbreviated menus at restaurants.

(Not to mention increases in Gas prices)

It's time to prepare for food emergencies instead of relying on failing systems.

Here's what is happening, and why you shouldn't simply expect food to be on grocery store shelves or restaurant menus.

- * Labor Shortages Are Greatly Affecting Cost and Supply
- * Inflation Is Occurring Across the Industry
- * Weather Related Conditions Are Hurting Crops and Animals
- * Shipping and Delivery Issues Are Rampant
- * Cyberattacks Are Hitting the Food Industry
- * Farming and Food Regulations Are Creating Complications
- * Store Limitations Are Holding Consumers Back

All this goes to show, it is more important than ever before to practice preparedness and do what you can now. Here are a few things to help protect you and your family against issues that might arise with an unstable Food Supply Chain:

- **Stock up on everyday use food items and long-term emergency food supplies.**
- **Grow your own food.**
- **Hobby farm with neighbors in your neighborhood.**
- **Get to know and support our local farmers and fruit growers.**
- **Learn to hunt, fish, and forage for food.**
- **Learn to can, bottle, dehydrate and freeze produce, fruits and meats.**
- **Learn what and how to Barter.**

For more info on this topic and additional prepper helps visit Willard City Website and click the link to the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) page. www.willardcity.com