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**Website:** [www.willardcity.com](http://www.willardcity.com)  
Hours: M-TH 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
F 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



## Upcoming Events

- Thursday, March 6, 2025**  
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, March 9, 2025**   
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
- Thursday, March 13, 2025**  
City Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, 17, 2025**   
ST. PATRICK'S DAY
- Thursday, March 20, 2025**  
WATER BILLS DUE  
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, February 27, 2025**  
City Council – 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 3, 2025**  
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.

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

## Important Announcements



**March 11, 2025**  
**4:00 - 6:00 PM**

**Willard Elementary School**  
**40 West 50 South, Willard**

If you have a kindergarten student who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 2025, you can register them now through your Aspire account. If you don't have an Aspire account, please call Willard Elementary at 435-734-4934 for help.



Oh, March! The month where flip-flops meet snow boots.



## MAYOR'S COMMENTS



It's starting to feel like spring is here. With warmer temperatures comes road construction. UDOT will start to rebuild Highway 89 this summer. It is a complete reconstruction of the roadway. UDOT expects it to be a two-year project. They are currently waiting for a gas company to make improvements before construction can start. UDOT should have reached out to all landowners that border the highway. If they haven't, I encourage you to reach out to them. At times it may be frustrating getting in and out of town. Residents may want to use the freeway entrance at 750 to ease congestion on 89. With a little patience for the contractors and each other, I am sure we will make it though. ~ Mayor Mote

## DEPARTMENTS

- POLICE** – 2025 dog licenses are now past due. Late fees will be charged.
- 2024 END OF YEAR REPORT** (more details can be found on the city's website)
- Total number of incidents – 3,047
  - Traffic Contacts – 1527
  - Fire and Medical Assists – 155
  - Community Oriented Policing – 1,182
  - Criminal Cases – 204
  - Mental Health Incidents – 56
  - Other – 849



In 2024, Willard Police Department participated in the annual "Lemonade Stand Challenge." Willard Police officers visited 13 stands and took 4<sup>th</sup> place.

- The Police Department is accepting donations of blankets, stuffed animals, hygiene kits, etc. that they can give to people involved in accidents and displacements.

**FIRE** – It's time for spring cleaning for fire safety. **INSIDE** your home: Test your home's smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. Don't use electrical appliances with frayed cords. Check for water around electrical appliances. Clean debris from your clothes dryer lint trap and exhaust duct. **OUTSIDE** your home: Remove dead leaves and other debris around foundations, decks, porches, and stairs. Check grills for rust, worn parts, insects, grease, and other debris before use. Grills should only be used when at least 10 feet away from your house or any building.



**ADMIN** – The registration deadline for 2025 youth baseball is March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Applications can be submitted online as well as the city office.



**CANDIDATES WANTED** for the 2025 municipal election. The mayor and two council seats are open.

It's official! The Willard City Code has been codified. The codes found on the city's website comprise the current city code.



Do you have an old American flag you don't know what to do with? There is now a box outside of the Police Department for flags that need to be retired.

**PUBLIC WORKS** – Winter isn't over yet. Please remove parked vehicles from the streets to make room for snowplows. Parking tickets are being issued. Please don't push snow into the streets.



### WILLARD BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT

**Bingham Specialized Construction**, 95 North 100 West, 435-730-0213, was started in 1998 by Stephen, Patrick, and Chandler Bingham. They did construction projects for family members for many years before then. Chandler said his first major purchase as a kid was a table saw. In 1998, they decided to start their own business. They got a contractor's license, constructed a shop, and started building cabinets. Today they specialize in custom cabinets. Patrick designs. Chandler and Patrick handle building and installation. Stephen has retired. Most of their work is in Northern Utah, but they have traveled to sites in Island Park, Nevada, and Phoenix. Last year they built the cabinets for a home in the Park City Home Show. It was rated the No. 1 kitchen in the show. They have never had to advertise. Their work comes from word of mouth. Chandler said, "Take care of your customer, and they will take care of you."

See our website to read a thank you letter **WasteLess**

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WILLARD?



Willard Bay Gardens will reopen for spring on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
Spring classes will be offered starting March 8<sup>th</sup>.

No School on March 14<sup>th</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 4<sup>th</sup>



March 8<sup>th</sup> - Swan Day at the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge

CERT Training

March 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 18, 20, and 22<sup>nd</sup> (see details below)



March holidays and observances in 2025 to celebrate like a lion:

National Procrastination Week – first two weeks of March... or whenever it's convenient

March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dr. Suess's birthday/Read Across America Day

March 5<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday (the beginning of Lent)

March 9<sup>th</sup> – Daylight Savings begins

March 13<sup>th</sup> – Good Samaritan Day

March 14<sup>th</sup> – Pi Day

March 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day

March 20<sup>th</sup> – First Day of Spring







**COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS**

Communication has undergone remarkable evolution, from primitive forms like cave paintings to modern digital methods. This transition reflects humanity's relentless quest to connect and share information.

In today's hyper-connected world, it's hard to imagine a time when we can't easily reach our loved ones, friends, neighbors and other community members with a quick text or phone call. But what happens when the power goes out, or an emergency strikes, and the communication grid is down or overwhelmed? Whether it's a natural disaster, a cyberattack, or an infrastructure failure, losing access to our normal communication channels can make an already chaotic situation even worse.

When disaster strikes, we focus on immediate needs like food, water, and shelter. However, one of the most critical aspects of emergency preparedness is communication. In a crisis, being able to reach out, share and receive critical information, and coordinate responses can mean the difference between safety and danger. That's where a well-thought-out COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS plan comes in.

Communication plays a central role in helping you report medical needs, share damage assessments, coordinate evacuation plans, and access other emergency services. Whether you're staying put (Sheltering in Place) or moving to a safe location (Evacuation), effective communication ensures that everyone has accurate situational awareness and is operating on the same page.

Knowing that loved ones are safe or being able to reach out for help when needed can bring a sense of comfort and stability during a difficult time. Hearing updates about the emergency and other critical information goes a long way to ensuring your ability to have a practical crisis management response.

Because a major storm, cyberattack, or power outage can render traditional communication methods unreliable or unavailable, it's critical that you and your family have backup methods in place to be able to communicate when the power fails. Options like two-way radios, satellite phones, and HAM radios can be essential when the grid is down. These methods work independently of local cell towers or the internet, and they provide reliable communication when conventional methods fail.

For our community – it is just as critical to have the same backup methods in place to be able to communicate with neighbors, friends, church members, community members and emergency service providers throughout our local area. It is critical for our community to have a Community Communication Plan with a functioning communications network in place.

The Willard City CERT Program has a well-established communication network in place. This network is designed to transmit general CERT information as well as critical alerts to all CERT Team members. Team members can then report any important information back upline to network supervisors.

I would like to extend and expand this communication network throughout the community. The expansion would include community members as well as CERT members. To do so –people who feel that community wide communications are vital and are willing to share their time and talents are needed to attend and complete the CERT training classes. The more trained people we have – the further we can reach out through the community.

I am proud to share with you that there are 125 CERT Team members in our community. Each plays a vital role in the preparedness of our community. Many are actively working with the CERT Communication Network. 17 are HAM Radio Operators. Others are involved with the Emergency Response and Supply Bays located throughout the community. Some are Training Class Instructors and teachers.

In the next few months there will be training and practice opportunities happening in our community. Please get involved and take part in helping our community be better prepared.

Training Classes and dates plus other important Community information are shown on the other side.





**For Your Information:**

The CodeRed, county wide notification system that has been in place for several years, is currently being phased out and will eventually be replaced by a newer system called Everbridge. If you have the CodeRed app on your phone – you can delete it. It is no longer active in our area. If you had registered with CodeRed – we are hoping the information transfers over to the new system. Other details are not available at this time. More to come.

Great resources for Community awareness info are the social media sites available locally. Please remember that these are dependent on internet services and electrical power. In the event of power outages – these sources would not be accessible.

Local Emergency Information will be available on AM Radio. Tune to frequency 1620. This radio station broadcasts local information continually - 24/7.

**2025 SPRING C.E.R.T. TRAINING CLASSES**

**Class Dates: Tuesday, March 11 & Thursday, March 13 6:00 PM  
Saturday, March 15 9 AM – 3 PM**

**Tuesday, March 18 & Thursday, March 20 6:00 PM Saturday, March 22 9 AM – 3 PM**

**Classes held at Willard City Office Building 80 West 50 South Cost: \$10 per person.**

**Saturday Lunch \$5**

**Please call/TEXT SUE ANDERSON 801 589-8270 or NOVA DUBOVIK 801 941-7798 to register**

**HAM Radio Operator - Training Classes Coming in April**



The 2025 statewide Great Utah Shake Out is on April 17, when Utahns will participate in earthquake drills at work, school, or home, practicing **earthquake safety** and other aspects of their family, organization, business, school and community emergency plans.

Register online now and plan to participate in this event.

For additional Emergency Planning and Prep information go to [beready.utah.gov](http://beready.utah.gov)

Learn how to prepare for earthquakes and other disasters.

