Mayor’s Message
In April our city staff was busy planning for drought restrictions we were anticipating from Weber Basin. In May our city staff was handling flood complaints and planning flood mitigation measures. June brought a heat wave. Such is life in city government, planning from one extreme to another.

I request your help this summer with several things in our community. The rain in May has caused an overgrowth in weeds. Please cut the weeds around any fire hydrant in your neighborhood to help emergency crews. Also, when burning ditches and fields along the right-of-way, please do not burn the telephone and Comcast boxes. Several residents have burnt up their neighborhood phone and cable boxes. This has been costly for the person doing the burning and bothersome for the neighborhoods who lose phone or cable service.

Next, there has been vandalism at some of the parks and other places in the community. Please feel free to contact non-emergency dispatch at 801-629-8221 to report suspicious activity. If you see any criminal activity in progress call 9-1-1. Keep your cars locked and valuables out of sight. With summer here criminal activity increases.

Because of abuse the dumpster at Slaterville Park had to be removed. The dumpster was intended to help keep the park clean and support park activities. Unfortunately, it has been filled with private yard debris, furniture, and other items not related to the park. Thank you to the many residents who volunteer to help with our parks. We can always find service for our volunteers.

Natural Hazard Pre-disaster Plan
All government entities in Weber County are cooperating to prepare the 2015 Natural Hazard Pre-disaster Mitigation Plan. This Plan is to help identify risks and reduce the vulnerability to natural hazards in the county. Some of the natural hazards identified for our county include: earthquake, flood, drought, landslide, wildfire, dam failure, severe weather, pandemic, and insect infestation. Flooding is the biggest risk to our city. Around one-third of the city is located in the floodplain. According to FEMA, developing and purchasing land in (and close to) the floodplain may create huge financial loss to developers and property owners. Development in the floodplain also creates enormous financial problems for communities. Understanding natural hazards, such as flood risks and floodplain management, saves money and prevents unnecessary loss of life, property, and environment. Residents are encouraged to participate in the planning process. Please feel free to contact city staff or submit your comments in writing relating to the draft Plan by August 1, 2015.

Local Updates

- **2015 Elections.** Rob Smout, Dennis Illum, and Scott Van Leeuwen have filed for the open council positions. Since these positions are unopposed the municipal election will be cancelled. However, Weber County may hold a ballot proposition election this fall. Contact Becky at the city office 801-627-1919 ext. 202 for more information.

- **Planning Commission.** Sierra RV Sales & Service has been approved at 1700 West 1100 South. Upland Ranches for 10 lot subdivision on 200 South at approximately 2300 West has been granted final approval by the Planning Commission subject to council, engineering, and agency requirements. Townhouse Estates PUD Phases 4 and 5 at 1045 South 1200 West has been approved by the council. Regina Carver at 195 North 2250 West is approved for a private park subject to traffic control and parking requirements.