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## Budget and Projects

The City Council adopted the City's budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15 on June 19, 2014. Mayor Butler presented another balanced budget to the City Council. The new budget includes a modest surplus that will be set aside for future capital projects.

Marriott-Slaterville City is one of the few cities in the state that operates without a municipal property tax. The no property tax policy will continue with this new budget. Although garbage costs have increased 1%, this increase will be absorbed by the city's garbage fund and <u>will not</u> be passed on to residents.

The City has received two grants for capital projects this summer. The first grant is a Weber County Recreation, Arts, Museums, and Parks (R.A.M.P.) grant that will create a trailhead facility for the Centennial Trail along the Ogden River on 1700 South. The City has benefitted from the R.A.M.P. grant program of Weber County which is scheduled for a re-authorization election this November.

The second grant is a Community Development Block Grant (C.D.B.G.) that will complete the long awaited parking area and improvements at Marriott Park.

The city administration and officials will continue to work to provide efficient and effective services and improvements in the community. The city recognizes its many volunteers who help in multiple capacities ranging from community events, to serving on boards and commissions, to gardening. These volunteers are central in continuing the creation of the beautiful community we enjoy today.

## Legislative Report

Dennis Illum, City Council Marriott-Slaterville City has two separate but equal branches of government. The executive branch is led by the Mayor. The legislative branch is lead by a fivemember Council.

The executive branch handles many of the daily operations of the city. Among other things, the executive branch

manages personnel, handles the annual budget, responds to complaints, manages parks, provides municipal services, and implements policies.

The City Council constitutes the legislative branch. It is lead by a Council President. The City Council makes laws, adopts an annual budget, authorizes contracts, sets land use policy, confirms appointments, and exercises oversight. Two members of the City Council are elected from the east district, and two from the west district. One member of the City Council member is elected at-large. Municipal elections are only held during odd numbered years.

The Mayor and City Council welcome community input. As the City Council, we encourage you to raise concerns with the Mayor or your City Council member. The City Office number is: 801.627.1919.

## **Local Updates**

- Parks. Our community parks are popular attractions. However, the City Council has closed reservations for the remainder of 2014 to nonresidents due to vandalism and other problems. Contact the city office at 801.627.1919 for resident reservations or for questions.
- Subdivision Approval. The planning commission granted preliminary approval for Upland Ranches on 200 South. Approval is subject to a list of code and other requirements before the ten lot development can proceed.
- Road Maintenance. Various road maintenance will be performed this summer throughout the city. Thanks for driving carefully in construction.
- Fireworks. Fireworks are legal in Marriott-Slaterville if used according to state law. Enjoy fireworks safely this summer.

PLANNING COMMISSION TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2014 – 7:00 P.M. \*\*\* Meeting Cancelled \*\*\*

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2014 – 6:30 P.M. \*\*\* Meeting Cancelled \*\*\*

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