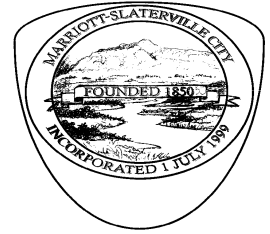

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Notice of Municipal Election

In accordance with Utah Code 10-3-301, Marriott-Slaterville City will have two City Council seats and the Mayor's seat open for election this year. One City Council seat is open in each of the two Election Districts. Those interested in running for a City Council seat must file a Declaration of Candidacy, in person, with the City Recorder at the Municipal Building located at 1570 West 400 North, during office hours as prescribed by law between June 1 and June 7. A Nomination Petition may also be filed during the same time period. Filing fees apply. A person filing a Declaration of Candidacy for any elected seat shall meet the requirements of Utah Code 20A-9-203. Candidates must also file Campaign Financial Disclosure Statements as required by state law. Contact Becky Kendell, City Recorder, at 801-627-1919 Ext. 202 for more information.

Dark Night Sky

The memories of camping in your backyard gazing up at the starry night sky, or looking to the stars while the irrigation waters flood the sweet alfalfa fields are fading. Literally, those star gazing nights seem like a dream. No longer do we see the stars in all their glory blazing over our homes and fields.

Our ancestors who settled this community experienced a sky brimming with stars – a night sky that was inspiration. The natural night sky is our common and universal heritage, yet is rapidly becoming unknown to the newest generations. Unfortunately, the brilliant river of stars of the Milky Way is a faded memory to 80% of Americans. Whole generations of people in the United States have never and will never see it in its glory from their homes.

Electricity and lighting is an essential part of all of our lives. Modern society requires outdoor lighting for a variety of needs, including safety and commerce. This must be recognized, however, much of our lighting is unnecessary, poorly installed and

inefficient. As a result, our community has seen an increase in light pollution, light glare or light trespass, and sky glow. Thus creating a curtain to our night sky. Additionally, poor lighting methods increase carbon emissions, creates wastes, and in some instances hinders safety. A few simple and smart lighting practices can help reverse these adverse effects and improve efficiencies while maintaining the ambiance of our community.

This year the Planning Commission will consider the a lighting ordinance following recommendations from the International Dark-Sky Association (IDA):

1. Only turn on lights when needed.
2. Illuminate high priority areas only.
3. Reduce brightness of illumination.
4. Use soft-white, warm-white or filtered LED bulbs (these bulbs have less than 3000 Kelvins which minimize blue light emissions).
5. Install fully shielded fixtures with bulbs recessed inside. (pointing fixture downward).

For more information on Dark Sky Initiatives visit: darksky.org.

PLANNING COMMISSION

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order/Minutes.
2. New business, if any.
3. Adjourn.

(Meeting may be cancelled)

This agenda is tentative. Items can and will change.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order/Minutes
2. New business, if any
3. Officer reports and legislative oversight.
4. Adjourn until March 16, 2017.

(Meeting may be cancelled)

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