



EAGLE MOUNTAIN UPDATE



FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

City Hall to Save Residents Money on Winter Heating Bills 15% Reduction to Take Effect in November

Residents of Eagle Mountain will see a 15 percent reduction in gas rates this winter. The decrease will take effect November 1 and continue through March 31.

"Our citizens deserve this reduction," Mayor Brian Olsen said. "As mayor I'm concerned with unstable markets and rising costs on our residents. This is my goal of creating stability within our utility billing system."

In an effort to overcome fee increases due to rising natural gas prices, Olsen put in a purchase order in July in an attempt to buy future gas at a reduced rate. Because the purchase was made in July, residents will be charged \$9 per decatherm, instead of \$11-\$11.50 per decatherm.

"The city has been on index pricing for gas purchasing for most of the last two years," said Public Works Director Mike Wren. "We were basically subject to the market. If the price went up, we were stuck with the rate and the city had to pass that rate on to residents for their fees."

Last winter because of Hurricane Katrina and other natural disasters, prices of fuel increased significantly. Some residents saw heating bills as high as \$300 per month.

Securing the rate is a calculated risk by the city, in that if the market rate should go below that amount, the city is still locked into that rate. However, according to Olsen, it is not predicted to happen this year because of the continued turmoil in the Middle East.

Mayor Olsen met with Lt. Governor Gary Herbert on August 22 to discuss transportation and economic development issues for the city.

"It's wonderful to see a young, energetic, vibrant Mayor with vision," Herbert said. "Your city is among the fastest growing in the state, and I want you to know that we support you and want to help."



Q & A WITH MAYOR OLSEN

If you have a question for Mayor Olsen about our city, please e-mail your question to news@emcity.org. One question per month will be published in the Eagle Mountain Update.

News Notes



John Linton is sworn in as a member of the Planning Commission by Deputy City Recorder Melanie Lahman on August 22 as Mayor Olsen looks on.

City Employee Spotlight



Newlywed Chad Bryce has been part of the public works department for four years. He does state required testing for water, prepares reports, and responds to on-call water emergencies.

Chad and his wife Natalie have been married since March and share their Draper home with their dog Ellie. An Indiana native, he came to Utah for the mountains. He enjoys skiing and biking.

What Chad likes most about his job are the people that he works with. The most challenging thing he says is “trying to make everybody happy.”

Although he doesn’t live here, Chad likes the quietness and open spaces of Eagle Mountain.



Eagle Mountain’s Christie Gardiner is taped for a November episode of TLC’s hit show “Trading Spaces”. Look for a feature on the show in October’s Update.

New Planning Commissioner – John Linton has been appointed by Mayor Olsen to be the newest member of the Planning Commission.

Linton served on the Los Angeles, California Planning Commission for six years. Four of those years he was either chairman or vice chairman.

He and his wife Shareen have lived in Eagle Mountain for two years. They have been married for 39 years and have two children who both also reside in Eagle Mountain.

Linton will join the four existing members of the Planning Commission, including Chairperson Tom Maher, Chris Kemp, John Malone, and Matt Weir.

Lifferth Receives NRCC Award – The National Republican Congressional Committee’s Business Advisory Council has announced that City Council Member David Lifferth is a 2006 Republican of the Year from Utah.

NRCC Chairman Tom Reynolds explained that the award is given to a select group of business and community leaders from each state who have championed the free enterprise system and supported the ideals of smaller government, lower taxes, and less regulation.

Congressman Reynolds said, “I am extremely grateful for the tremendous support that David has shown for our Party, especially in this critical election year.”

The Republican of the Year award also qualifies Lifferth for the Business Advisory Council’s Congressional Medal of Distinction - to be awarded later this fall.

Open House – There will be an open house at City Hall, 1650 E. Stagecoach Run, on Thursday, September 7 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM for residents affected by duplicate or similar street names within the city.

In an effort to eliminate confusion for emergency vehicle responses, the city is trying to determine the best solution for this public safety issue.

The following streets will be discussed:

- Autumn Street –Eagle Point
- Autumn Drive/Lane– Meadow Ranch
- Hawk Lane– Meadow Ranch
- Hawk Way– Eagle Park
- Sunset View – North Ranch
- Sunset Drive– Meadow Ranch
- Condor Court– Rockwell Village
- Condor Court– Sundance

Community Events

The Brick House Foundation's 1st Annual "Fundraising Extravaganza"

Come to the Nolan Park Pavilion on Saturday, September 9th from 4:00 to 8:00 PM and help a local family raise money for kidney research.

Matt and Krista Robinson's son Brick is diagnosed with severe kidney disease. They have started a foundation in his name. All money raised will go to local and national kidney research centers.



Almost \$3,000 in donated prizes will be auctioned off. There will also be food, crafts, a giant yard sale, and photos with Miss Eagle Mountain. For the kids there will be free balloons, face painting, and games. For more information or to make donations, contact Matt or Krista Robinson at 789-8889.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Utilities and Phone/DSL Drop Boxes – Please remember to mail your utility bills to **P.O. Box 271277, Salt Lake City, UT 84127-1277**. The Heritage Drive address is for Direct Communications (phone/DSL) payments only. There are also drop boxes available for your utility bills at The Ranches office complex at 3688 E. Campus Dr. and at the North Entrance of City Hall.

Drop boxes for Direct Communications phone/DSL payments are at The Ranches office complex, the public safety building at 1680 E. Heritage Dr., and at Zion's Bank in the Smiths store. A late fee is assessed by Direct Communications if payments are dropped off in the wrong box, or if there is incorrect information on your check.

Street Lights Out – If you notice any street lights out, please report the location of the light to 789-6670.

West Nile Virus – According to the Utah County Health Department, there are currently 44 human cases of WNV in the state, with 21 of those being Utah County residents.

The best prevention is to wear an insect repellent with DEET if you are outside in the evening hours. Those at highest risk are people over 50 years old.

For more information go to www.utahcountyhealth.org.

Red Ribbon Week – September 16th-20th; The Sheriff's Department is available for school presentations. Contact Sgt. Binks at 789-6703.

Schools Calendars

Eagle Valley Elementary:

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| September | |
| 5th-8th | Green Ribbon Week |
| 6th | Room Mothers Tea 10 AM |
| 14th | Chicks and Chocolate 6 PM |
| | (All your PTA questions answered) |
| 20th-21st | Volunteer Training (20th at 9:45 AM; 21st at 6:00 PM) |
| 25th-29th | Walk to School Week |

Pony Express Elementary:

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| September | |
| 8th | Reflections Kick Off |
| 11th-15th | Patriotic Week |
| 13th | Vision Screening |
| 21st | Volunteer Training |
| October | |
| 3rd-4th | SEP Conferences |
| 3rd-6th | Book Fair |

American Fork Hospital's 5K Run/Walk

A fun 5K run/walk for breast cancer awareness will be held at American Fork Hospital on Saturday, September 25th at 9 AM. Registration is \$10 in advance and \$15 that day. Call 855-3279 for more information.

Eagle Mountain Business Owners Luncheon

Would you like to get to know other businesses in Eagle Mountain? Enjoy a good lunch and be able to hand out your business cards to potential customers? Hear a few words from the Mayor?

Then plan to attend a "get to know you" luncheon for all Eagle Mountain businesses. It will be held on **Tuesday, September 19th**, at the Ranches Golf Club at 12 noon. Please RSVP to dbradshaw@emcity.net. Bring your business cards and plan to tell us about your business.



So many princesses attended the Princess Tea event last month, there were two group photos taken with Miss Eagle Mountain Celeste Lojik and Little Miss Eagle Mountain McKayla Ferre.

The girls read stories and ate cookies.

Thanks to all who came!

