



EPHRAIM CITY NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

City Council Meetings:

- ◆ July 17, 2013

The Council meeting scheduled for July 3rd has been cancelled due to its close proximity to the 4th of July holiday.

For dates and times of board and committee meetings, please contact the City offices at the number below.

CITY INFO

City Office Hours:
M-F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Phone:
435-283-4631

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Ephraimmanager.Blogspot.com

WATER WISE TIPS FOR SUMMER

Ephraim City is not yet restricting water usage, but the low water levels are definitely a concern. Residents can help conserve water by following these simple tips:

- ◆ Keep lawns longer, mowing every other week.
- ◆ Water between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- ◆ Water 3 times a week rather than every day.
- ◆ Avoid watering in windy conditions.
- ◆ Make sure your sprinklers are tuned up and in good working order.
- ◆ Try not to water the streets and sidewalks.
- ◆ Consider landscape changes to include low water trees and shrubs, and hardscaping.
- ◆ 3-4 inches of mulch will cool flower beds, prohibit weed growth, and slow the evaporation of water.

There are many ways to conserve water both inside and outside our homes. The following websites have lots of



great ideas and some surprising ways you can save water and money

throughout the year:

- waterwiseutah.org
- wateruseitwisely.com/100-ways-to-conserve

Please remember to recycle your paper and No. 1 and No. 2 plastics at the Recycling Center located at 100 N across from the Greenwood Student Center.

The Recycling Center is open every second and fourth Saturday of the month between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Have a Fun and Happy Independence Day!



ENERGY REBATES

Ephraim City supports UAMPS Smart Energy Initiative and currently participates in the following initiative programs:

Cool Cash

See "Ya" Later Refrigerator

Home Energy Savings

See the Ephraim City Website under Utility Services for info.



SMART ENERGY PROGRAMS

Now, more than ever, savvy consumers are looking for ways to save money. Starting July 1, 2013, Ephraim City will offer customers three new ways to do just that with the *Home Energy Savings Program*, *Cool Cash*, and *See "Ya" Later Refrigerator* incentive programs. Modeled after Rocky Mountain Power's energy efficiency initiatives, these programs will cut costs, help the environment and put cash back in your pockets.

Cool Cash: cash back for installing, and properly sizing and installing evaporative coolers or high-efficiency central air.

See "Ya" Later Refrigerator: have your old, working refrigerators or freezers hauled off and recycled for free. Customers can unplug and save; plus, they'll get \$30 cash back for participating.

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Home Energy Savings Program: cash back for purchasing qualified products, including ENERGY STAR washers, refrigerators, dishwashers, air conditioners, lighting and ceiling fans, as well as electric water heaters.

Applications for the Home Energy Savings program can be found at Sears, Christiansen's, and Ephraim City Offices.

For more information on qualifying equipment, how to participate, and for the Cool Cash and See "Ya" Later Refrigerator programs, visit smartenergyuamps.com, or call the City offices at 283-4631.

EQUAL PAY PROGRAM

Equal pay is a program offered to all Ephraim City residents with a good utility payment history (i.e. payments made on time and in full 11 out of the last 12 months) enabling them to pay the same amount each month.

Equal Pay amounts are recalculated each year in June based on the average of the past twelve utility bills. Those who qualify for the program are required to continue to pay bills

in full by the 16th of each month and to keep track of the credit/debit amount to prevent it from getting too high or too low. Current Equal Pay customers can contact us for help locating this amount on the bill.

Audits of existing Equal Pay customer accounts are conducted in June and December to verify the continuation of good payment history, as well as a credit/debit amount that is within a reasonable range.

Customers found not meeting these requirements are notified by mail informing them that they have been taken off of the Equal Pay program.

If you are interested in enrolling in the Equal Pay program, or have any questions regarding the audits, please call or come in to the City offices and we will be happy to help you.



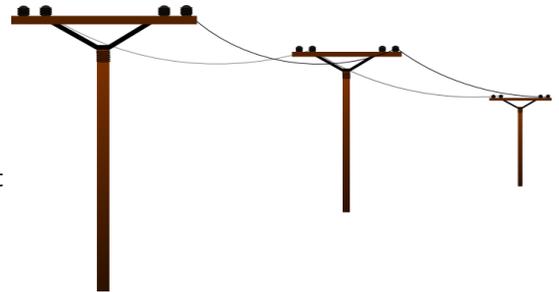
UPCOMING POWER AND SEWER RATE INCREASES

As a result of increased population growth, Ephraim City's wastewater storage capacity was nearly 100%. In working with the Utah State Division of Water Quality it was determined that we, as a City, had to increase the capacity of our wastewater treatment lagoons.

In order to pay for this project, the Division of Water Quality is requiring our City to increase sewer rates

from \$23.50 to \$27.00 per month. This rate increase will not take effect until July, 2014.

In addition, Ephraim City will be discussing a power rate increase at the July 17, 2013 council meeting. It has been eleven years since we have had a power rate increase and costs in the power department have exceeded revenue, necessitating a small increase.



**CITY SERVICES
FOR YOUR HEALTH, SAFETY AND
WELFARE**