

# Cedar City This Month

CEDAR CITY, UTAH, COMMUNITY UPDATE



FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2019

## A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



*Mayor Maile Wilson-Edwards*

I don't know about any of you, but it seems to me that now it is summer the time is flying by! As always there have been so many activities and events these last few weeks. From the Cedar City PRCA Rodeo, the Paiute Restoration Gathering and Pow Wow, the Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games, Arbor Day, Flag Day, and the Police Dogs and Hot Dogs in the Park event to the opening of the Utah Shakespeare Festival, there has been something for everyone. As always, the many different fun activities throughout our community are just beginning. There is always plenty to do in Cedar City, especially in the summer. I hope to see many of you out at the upcoming events and enjoying the beautiful weather in the prettiest town anywhere.

By the time you get this letter, Independence Day will have come and gone. I hope each of you had a

wonderful, and more importantly, safe 4th of July celebrating the Independence of this great country!

I would like to extend a special thank you to the Lions Club for all of their work in organizing the 4th of July Parade. This parade, and the numerous other activities associated with celebrating Independence Day, never disappoint.

Additionally, I want to specifically thank the Cedar City Fire Department for spending their holiday preparing the delightful firework show for our community. Prior to becoming Mayor, I was unaware of hours of work that go into the pre-preparation for the firework show. The Fire Department starts weeks in advance preparing the firework by "squibbing" the fireworks at the fire station. For those of you that don't speak "fireworks" (I know I don't) this means that our firefighters had to individually prepare the fuse for each firework. It's a very tedious and time consuming job! Following that, the Department then has to set up all the fireworks and then clean them all up following the show that the rest of us enjoy at our leisure!

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## Ken Nielsen - Employee of the Month - July 2019

Ken has served as the Leisure Services Director for almost a year and has been a huge asset to the department. “He came in at a time where some things needed to be straightened out and he has done an excellent job working on those issues to make our department run better. Ken has worked tirelessly with the Parks and Outdoor Facilities Division by giving them an extra pair of hands. He sticks with a job until it is completed and looks good to everyone’s satisfaction. He is always encouraging his employees and wants to see them succeed! He also has worked with Bruce Burt on big projects at the Aquatic Center and Larry Olds at the Cross Hollows Arena. He has been essential to the overall operation and success of Leisure Services. Ken is very knowledgeable and eager to find better ways to improve all aspects for his staff and the customers experience. He has proven to be a valued employee and leader and a tremendous joy to work with and a great asset to Cedar City Leisure Services.”



## Public Works

**AIRPORT:** Have you noticed how busy the Cedar City Regional Airport is? With the closure of the St. George Airport for major runway replacement from May 29, 2019 through September, 2019 our Airport is busier than ever and the parking lots are packed. SkyWest has added an additional flight leaving Cedar City for Salt Lake and the flight schedule for SkyWest has also changed. If you are planning to travel out of the Cedar City Airport this summer, please make sure you check the Airport information at <https://cedarcity.org/76/Airport>.

**WATER:** Just a reminder about water restrictions. Ordinance 37-7-1 prohibits the use of culinary water for irrigation between the hours of 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM every day, beginning April 1st and continuing through October 31st.

**SOLID WASTE:** Our Solid Waste crew has found that people are trying to put things in their residential trash cans that we can’t pick up. For instance, mattresses, bed springs, toilets, metal pipe, carpet, auto transmission and engines, etc. They have also noticed that if these things don’t fit in the cans, they are left on the ground next to the trash can. Our trucks are designed to pick up residential, household trash, and we cannot take items like this because it ruins the packing mechanism. Please take large items out to the Iron County Landfill at 3127 North Iron Springs Road. If you have any questions about the landfill please call them at 435-865-7015. Also, for the health and safety of our drivers, we do not pick up anything that is not inside the can. Remember to have your cans out by 7:00 AM, and don’t rely on “the usual time” the truck comes. With the summer season, we have people taking vacations and the drivers filling in can come earlier than you expect.

**Public Works will be happy to help with potholes, street lights, water leaks, trash can replacement, or sewer problems, but we cannot help you pay your bill. To pay your water, sewer and garbage bill, please call 435-586-2951, Cedar City Utilities, or pay in person at 10 North Main, Cedar City, Utah.**



### Fire Department

Due to the wet winter and spring we have seen an abundant amount of vegetation growth throughout our community; as a result, a lot of our city fire hydrants have become obscured by the overgrowth. Although we face the challenge of hidden and obstructed fire hydrants every year - this year is particularly bad. Consequently, we have assigned our seasonal fuels mitigation crew with the task of inspecting and clearing around every hydrant in the city. Over the last several weeks our crews have spent over 160 manhours cutting and trimming back vegetation around city hydrants. The Cedar City Fire Department would like to encourage the public to look around their neighborhoods for obstructed hydrants and please maintain at least a 3-foot clearance. It is imperative that the fire dept has immediate access to the water supply in the event of a fire emergency. A few seconds of delay can often be the difference between a positive and negative result. In addition, we would also ask that each citizen look at their own yards and correct any overgrowth of vegetation which could result in a wildfire spreading to their homes or onto the property of others. A minimum clear distance of 30 to 50 feet around structures is recommended. With July 4th and 24th celebrations just around the corner, please use an abundance of caution when deciding to use legal class C fireworks. Dry vegetation can erupt into a raging fire from a single spark and result in devastating losses to both life and property. Thank you for working to keep our community safe this summer!

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## 2019 ELECTION INFORMATION

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### NO EARLY VOTING WILL BE HELD IN CEDAR CITY

All early voting will be conducted through mail-in ballot. You may vote as soon as you receive your ballot in the mail, return ballots to the Cedar City Office drop box, 10 N. Main, or through the U.S. mail using the envelope that is provided with the ballot. Also, remember to sign the envelope where indicated.

#### ELECTION DATES

If you would like to vote in person, you can do so on the Primary & General Elections days at the Cedar City Offices, 10 N. Main, Cedar City.

#### PRIMARY

Primary elections will be held on August 13, 2019. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### GENERAL

General elections will be held November 5, 2019. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### ID REQUIREMENTS

Everyone *must* provide valid ID in order to vote **in person**.

A voter may present:

- Utah driver’s license
- ID issued by the state or agency of the US
- Utah concealed weapon permit
- US passport

#### BY-MAIL VOTING

**Iron County is a by-mail county. All active voters will receive a ballot in the mail. Ballots are mailed to the address where you are registered about three (3) weeks prior to each election date. Be sure your mailing address is correct at: [www.vote.utah.gov](http://www.vote.utah.gov).**

**To have your ballot mailed to an address other than your residence or PO Box, please contact the County Clerk at 477-8340, or the City Recorder at 865-5106 for an absentee application. The deadline to submit this application is the Thursday before each election.**

**Returned ballots must have postage and be clearly postmarked by the day before the election. You may also drop off your ballot in the locked ballot box at the Cedar City Office (10 N Main, Cedar) or at the County Clerk’s (68 South 100 East, Parowan).**

**You may drop off your ballot on election day into the provided locked ballot box or vote on the voting machines at the Cedar City Council Chambers (10 N Main, Cedar).**

#### VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES

**Voters that have moved or changed their name must register or re-register to vote.**

**Register online:  
[www.vote.utah.gov](http://www.vote.utah.gov)**

**The registration deadlines are:**

#### PRIMARY ELECTION

**By-mail: July 15, 2019  
Online: August 6, 2019  
In person: August 6, 2019**

#### GENERAL ELECTION

**By-mail: October 7, 2019  
Online: October 29, 2019  
In person: October 29, 2019**

#### PROVISIONAL BALLOTS

**A voter who is not in the official register may vote if they complete a provisional ballot form and provide valid voter identification and proof of residency within the voting precinct.**

**T**hank you to all of those that made this 4th of July such a memorable day for the residents of Cedar City.

**A**s we just celebrated the 4th of July, what better time of year to reflect on how truly blessed we all are to live in America and take part in our upcoming elections? I'm sure you have notice that election season almost upon us, as such, I want to remind everyone of the importance of voting and being part of the democratic process. Living in this great country we sometimes take our right to vote for granted and either don't register or actually vote for our elected officials. I would like to encourage everyone in our community to realize how fortunate we are to be able to select the individuals that will represent us and take the time to learn about their qualifications prior to voting on election day. Over the next few months I will try to keep you informed on the upcoming municipal election and the associated dates you should be aware of.

**T**his year there are three (3) seats open on the Cedar City Council. The following residents have filed a Declaration of Candidacy for the Cedar City Council: Stephanie Flores, Don Oswald, Carrissa Smith, Barry Evan Short, Danny Strand, W. Tyler Melling, Terri W. Hartley, Adam Hahn, Stephen Gwin, Brittanie Parry, T.J. Penrod, Chris Dahlin, and Craig E. Isom.

**W**ith there being 13 candidates there will be a Primary Election this year which will be held on August 13, 2019 with the General Election being held on November 5, 2019. For more information, see page 3.

**M**ark your calendars for a few upcoming events. You are once again, invited to join our community on July 11th for the second "Cedar City Slow Roll" event. Individuals can meet at 6:00 p.m. with the Roll starting at 6:30 p.m. There will be a live DJ and free otter pops for bicyclers. Cedar City will close down a city block for one evening once a month for residents of Cedar City to come out for a leisure bike ride. This event will bring the community together through physical activity. It will be held around Southern Utah University on the streets of University Blvd/300 West/800 West & 200 South, about 1.2 miles in length. This event is meant to be biked slowly and for participants to wear a helmet. It is free and open to everyone. Hope to see the Cedar City community come out the evening of July 11th to slowly ride through the community. Grab your bike that is leaning against your porch or in your garage and decorate it for the Cedar City Slow Roll!

**A**lso, you don't want to miss the annual "Cedar City Main Street Mile," a fun run down Main Street for the 24th of July. The race will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Smith's Food and Drug. For more information, contact the Leisure Services Department at 435-865-9223.

**T**race Adkins brings his *Don't Stop Tour 2019* to Southern Utah University on Wednesday, July 10th, at 7:30 p.m. An icon in Nashville for more than two decades, Adkins has sold 11 million albums, has won CMT and ACM awards, and has nearly 200 million plays on YouTube. You can purchase tickets online at [tbirdtickets.com](http://tbirdtickets.com), by calling (435) 586-7872, or by visiting the Thunderbird Ticket Office.