

MONROE CITY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2015

MAYOR MESSAGE

I would like to thank all of those who helped in any way to make our Pioneer Day Celebration such a success. From the three on three basketball competition, Broadway Revue, children's parade, barbeque, milk run, ram ride, parade, park activities, tennis tournament, concert and fireworks. I thought it was a great celebration. Thanks again for all you did.

In the book, *Monroe, Utah, Its First 100 Years* it states that James Jeppsen and John Mason began formulating plans to furnish the town with electric lights in 1907. They installed their generator and strung their light lines into town. Lights were only available during the evening hours and power was usually shut off at 10:00 p.m. In 1915 the town purchased the holdings of Jeppsen and Mason and began operation of its first power plant.

MONROE CITY
PUBLIC POWER
100 YEARS
1915-2015

Its been 100 years since Monroe started in the power business. Come celebrate with us at the Public Power Picnic on September 14. Besides a free hamburger or hot dog dinner, each household gets a free gift and the opportunity to win some nice prizes. So mark your calendar, and we'll see you there.

This fall the county, with the support from mayors and councils, is putting an issue on the ballot that would help the county and cities with transportation needs. For our city

it would be the maintenance of our roads. Since the price of oil has sky rocketed our money for roads that we receive from the state has not kept pace. This will be an opportunity for us to get additional money for our roads.

Again don't forget September 14th as we celebrate Monroe's 100 years in the power business.

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world. Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife. Trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for fires, and beautify our community. Trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community.

Join Monroe City
Arbor Day Celebration
September 14th 6:00 pm
Mtn. View Park.

Summer Ends

As we wrap up the next several weeks of the irrigation season, the city council would like to thank all our conservation minded citizens and remind you to keep up your "water-wise" ways.

The irrigation water will be turned out of the system, weather permitting on October 15.

City Beautification

Monroe city appreciates the continuing efforts of our citizens to beautify their homes, yards, and city right-of-ways.

Fall clean-up is just around the corner, and we would like to remind you that Whites Sanitation will be happy to haul away leaves, weeds, and garden clean up. If they are properly bagged or bundled.

Heat Assistance

You can apply for HEAT assistance starting November 1, 2015. If you are going to need assistance please call 893-0744 to make your appointment.

HEAT benefits are an annual one-time payment only and will not cover your entire winter heating costs. Therefore, it is important that each household do all they can to keep utility bills current.

Monroe City must still enforce penalties and our disconnection policy even if you have qualified for HEAT assistance.

Library

Library story time is held on Thursday mornings at 10:30 am

We have stories, activities and lots of fun.

Hope to see your there.

Open Burn

Open burn season starts on November 1st and ends on May 31st.

Burn only clippings, bushes, plants and pruning from trees. Please be mindful of your neighbors and avoid burning on windy days.

Animal Complaints

It seems like we are continually having problems with dogs running loose in our city. Please be a responsible animal owner and follow the city's leash law.