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From the Fire Chief



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There was a recent news article regarding a local volunteer fire department's lack of ability to provide fire protection and/or proper response times. As the Fire Chief for Roy City, I would like to inform all citizens of our fire department's abilities and response times.

The most concerning part of the article for me was the response times for Box Elder, Davis and Weber Counties. In fire service we pride ourselves on our quick response, which is extremely important to the safety and well-being of our residents.

About us

Roy Fire Department is highly recognized as one of the elite fire departments in Weber County. We provide so much more than just fire suppression and emergency response to the community. Our department houses one of only five paramedic units in all of Weber County. This plays an essential role in providing an advanced level of emergency medical services to not only the city of Roy, but to also our surrounding cities in Weber County. The Roy City Fire Department also has specialty teams which support our fire suppression and emergency medical services. These teams include hazmat technicians and urban search and rescue teams. In addition, we also have a popular, successful and cutting-edge public education team which teaches and provides fire prevention and education to children in the community.

Response

I reached out to the Weber County 911 Dispatch Center for Roy City Fire & Rescue Departments accurate response times. Dispatch informed me the national standard for fire response is 8 minutes and Roy City's response time is 5.5 minutes. In regards to medical response calls, the national standard is 4-6 minutes and Roy City's response time is 5 minutes.

Response times for Fire and Emergency Medical Services are crucial in our overall mission. We are held to national standards for quick response times. These national standards for response times are from the time we receive the call to arriving on scene. The question may arise, "Why are quick response times so important?" It has been proven, by having quick response times will greatly reduce the loss of life and property from fires, and improve patient survivability from medical issues.

As Fire Chief, I recognize the importance of providing citizens swift response to their emergency calls and I am honored to have a highly qualified, diverse, and competent fire department serving this community. We, as an organization, will continue our commitment to continually develop our employees at all levels and will strive to be the leaders in the community we serve.



Jason Poulsen
- Roy City Fire Chief

Christmas House Lighting Contest



Winners 2016

Congratulation to the following house lighting winners! Thank you for sharing your beautifully decorated homes with us.

House lighting Winners

Jason Skeen 5718 South 3950 West Roy, Utah 84067	John Vine 5662 South 2450 West Roy, Utah 84067
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Steve Goralski 5843 South 2950 West Roy, Utah 84067	Noretta Huddleston 4252 South 2300 West Roy, Utah 84067
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Honorable Mentions

Stephanie Ware 2135 West 5800 South Roy, Utah 84067	Henry Staley 5894 South 3260 West Roy, Utah 84067
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Little John Draayer 4193 South 2175 West Roy, Utah 84067	Skyler Flaming 4860 South 2825 West Roy, Utah 84067
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Brandon & Desiree Centini 3154 West 4750 South Roy, Utah 84067	Blair & Wendi Ashton 2080 West 5025 South Roy, Utah 84067
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John Hepworth 4835 South 2025 West Roy, Utah 84067	Jeff & Kendra Thomas 5274 South 2675 West Roy, Utah 84067
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Tomy & Norma Yasuda 2342 West 5700 South Roy, Utah 84067	Justin & Cassi Barlow 5253 South 2675 West Roy, Utah 84067
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James & Mary Saling 4391 West 5125 South Roy, Utah 84067	Stan & Kaye Hoellein 4307 South 2675 West Roy, Utah 84067
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Robert Bishop 5090 South 3925 West Roy, Utah 84067	Karen Stephens 2055 West 4975 South Roy, Utah 84067
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Christmas Tree Disposal

Roy City citizens may dispose of Christmas trees (devoid of decorations) December 27, 2016 – January 20, 2017 at the Public Works facility (5460 South 2700 West) from 6:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday – Friday. Please stop in at the office and show proof of Roy City residency. Clean trees only. No other trash will be accepted.

Adult Men's and Co-ed Softball



Registration for Roy City Adult Men's and Co-ed Softball will be conducted online at www.royrecreation.com February 1st, 2017 to March 1st, 2017 or until registration is full with 10 teams.

Registration is \$375 per team. Men's games will be played on Tuesday nights and Co-ed will be played on Thursday nights. The season consists of 9 games and a single elimination tournament at the end of the regular season. Teams will play double headers throughout the season but not every week.

See our website for more information or call our office at (801)774-1048. Like us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/roycityrecreation>.

Air Force to Offer Air Sampling In Roy

Hill Air Force Base has begun its annual indoor air sampling program for the 2017 sampling season. The purpose of the program is to test the air inside homes near areas of groundwater contamination from Hill and determine if chemical vapors from the groundwater are entering homes. If vapors are found above established action levels, the Air Force will take action to prevent those vapors from entering the home. The drinking water has not been affected by the contamination.



The sampling is free, as are all future remediation efforts. To check your eligibility for sampling, please call (385) 474-8577. Information about the program, including maps showing the areas eligible for sampling, are available at www.hill.af.mil/IAP.

Saint Patrick's Gold Dig



Saturday, March 18th at 8:30 a.m.

\$3 for all children ages 4-12!

Bring your child and they can go "digging" for "gold" in the Roy Complex Swimming Pool. Limited

space, come into the complex to reserve your child's spot!

Please call (801) 774-1050 for more information.

Focus Roy City – A Vision for Tomorrow

Join us on January 25th to plan for the future of Downtown Roy (along 1900 West) and the FrontRunner Station.

Help us review options and scenarios for potential Roy City growth and discuss implementation.

We need your input, join us on:

Wednesday, January 25th

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Weber County Library Auditorium

Southwest Branch

2039 W. 4000 S. Roy, Utah

Water Meters and Utility Payment Information

Residential water meters are not read during the winter months; therefore an average amount of water usage will be billed for the January and March billings with new homeowners being averaged at 18,000 gallons their first winter season. Any adjustment will be made on the May billing.



Roy City offers on-line bill pay at no charge through Xpress Bill Pay. Citizens can log in to www.xpressbillpay.com for 24 hour access to their account.

If you are paying your utility bill through bank bill pay please make sure you have our name listed as Roy City Utilities. This will ensure quicker processing as your payment will come electronically rather than a check being issued and mailed by your bank. For more information, please call (801) 774-1000.

The O.W.C.A. Partnership

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). No prior experience is required to become a VITA volunteer. You will be trained by IRS and full introduced to the tax preparation computer program. VITA program volunteers helped 85 citizens last year at Roy Boys and Girls Club facility. If you are interested in participating as a volunteer in this worthwhile program please contact OWCAP at <http://www.owcap.org/volunteer>.

Services Available:

Emergency Food Pantry is opened: visit www.owcap.org/food-pantry

Monday & Thursday 1:00pm-3:00pm

Wednesday 3pm-6pm

1st Saturday of the month 9am-12pm

Adult Education provides ESL classes, GED and High School Completion courses in partnership with the Weber County School District. For more information please visit: <http://www.owcap.org/education>



Volunteer

Do you have a desire to give back and assist Roy and other Weber County communities in a needful and meaningful way? There are many opportunities for individuals and groups to serve others at the OWCAP. For more information and a list of service opportunities please visit: <http://www.owcap.org/volunteer>

Stepfamily Education Classes for adults and youths ages 6-18:

Where: OWCAP, 3159 Grant Avenue, Ogden

Dates: January 3,7,10,17,24,31

February 7

Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Register by calling Gwen Zabokrtsky at (801) 819-8587.

Please note that free childcare for ages 0-5 and dinner are provided.

Youth Baseball, Softball, Machine Pitch, T-ball



Registration: March 1st – March 31st

Sign-Ups are done online at www.royrecreation.com.

We offer leagues from 4 years old – 9th grade for both boys and girls.

For more information please call (801) 774-1048 or visit our website www.royrecreation.com.

Like us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/roycityrecreation> .

Youth Fishing Club

Roy City Recreation and the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources will be offering a youth fishing club for children ages 6 and up. Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. April 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th.



Classes are located at Meadow Creek Pond, 4200 West 5075 South. Registration will run February 1st - March 1st. The fee for this class is \$25.00 and includes a t-shirt.

Please register at the Recreation office located at 2626 West 5525 south or online at www.royrecreation.com.

American Red Cross Lifeguarding Classes

Hoping your teenager will find a job this summer? They can get their foot in the door at the Roy Aquatic Center by completing the lifeguarding course offered at the Roy Complex!



Classes will be held monthly starting in January and continue until the end of spring. The cost for the class is \$150.00.

For class days and times, please contact the Complex at (801) 774-1050.

Winter Parking Ordinance



The “No On-Street Parking Ordinance” will be in effect through March 15th. Parking on the street is not allowed

from 1:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. regardless of the weather. Please remember to advise any visitors to your home about the parking restrictions. We appreciate your cooperation in complying with this ordinance to make our streets safer during the winter.

Roy City Annual Audit

The annual audit for Roy City has been completed and the independent auditor has issued his opinion that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City. In addition to the financial reports, the auditor reviewed compliance with applicable requirements and internal controls over compliance. The auditor noted one finding where the City’s unappropriated fund balance exceeded the legal allowance by \$66; basically, the City saved too much money!

State law requires that all cities undergo an annual audit and publish, within six months of the close of the fiscal year,



a complete set of basic financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The audit must be performed by a licensed certified public accounting firm in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

The City has filed a copy of its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report on the web site www.royutah.org and will apply to receive the Certificate in Achievement in Financial Reporting. The City hopes to continue the long standing practice of receiving the annual award with the FY 2016 CAFR.
