

NEWSLETTER



Mayor Office Hours

Mayor Dunn has office hours each week. For important meetings or to confirm his availability please schedule ahead of time by calling the front desk at 435-587-2271.

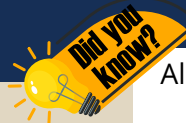
Monday 9 am - 1 pm
Wendesay 1 pm - 4:30 pm
Friday 9 am - 12 pm

Water, Water, & More Water

Water has been a big topic across the state this winter as snow pack has been well below normal and everyone is feeling the pressure to make some adjustments. Monticello City has recognized that we are below normal for snow pack and the fact that it is melting faster than usual. I don't know if you noticed, but it has felt like June the last two weeks and I am not ready for that! With that in mind, we have put plans in place to allow us to have a reasonably normal summer season with just a few restrictions in place. On March 17th, the City Council approved setting Secondary Water fees to Stage 4, critical, rates. They have committed to revisit the water situation as the summer months continue. If water usage and rain fall is within parameters, rates may be lowered allowing greater secondary water availability. **Please see page 3 for details on secondary water usage.** Loyd's lake is at a lower level for this time of year but there is still plenty of water to get us through to next winter.

We ask that all citizens take this opportunity to look at their personal water usage and find ways to conserve and use water wisely. Small things like using a bucket to catch that freezing water before the shower is warm is a great way to get a little extra water to some plants instead of letting it just run down the drain. Additionally, reminding family members (aka children) that letting the sink run while getting ready in the morning isn't the best use of water. Please understand that any changes to your homes plumbing will require a building permit and we recommend coming in to visit before planning on rerouting any of your home drainage systems.

With all this going on you may be thinking "what happened to the Spring Creek Project". Well, it is still underway and things are moving forward, as said in most of the newsletters since we started the project. It is currently under an environmental review. That review is in the final stages and, once approved, we can start working towards the installation of the pipeline to bring that water to the treatment plant. This process can take up to two years but we are working as fast as possible to get the project completed, bringing that additional resource to the City.



All City Events and Notices are posted on the City Website at monticelloutah.org/news/category/56/

Community Survey Results & General Plan Next Steps

Survey Results are in and a huge thank you to everyone that participated. We received responses from about 12% of the population, providing input on everything from utility services to economic development. This feedback will help guide the development of the City's General Plan, shaping goals that reflect progress over the next five years. While not every goal may be fully achieved within that timeframe, important steps will be taken to set these plans in motion and keep the City moving forward.

The survey does not mark the end of the community input. Throughout the coming months, the Planning Commission will have many public meetings to gather further input from you for the General Plan. We ask that you keep a watch out for notices of these events so you can participate in shaping Monticello's future.

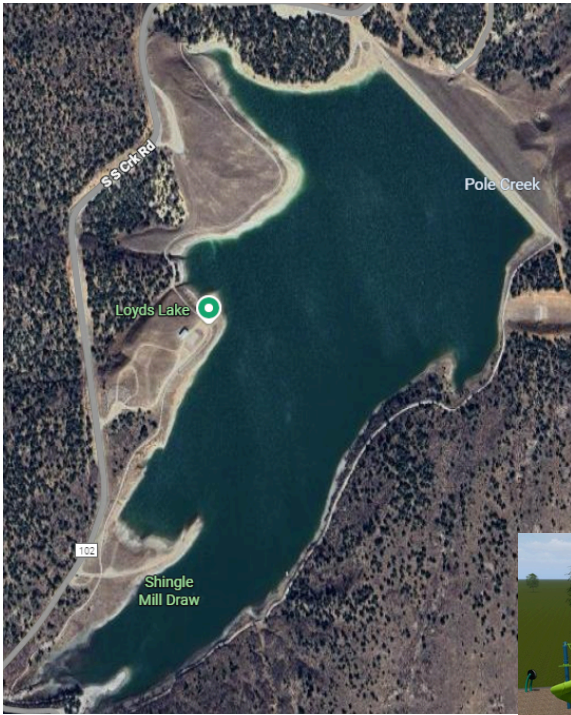
The City would like to thank our Planning Commission Chair Lee Bennett for working through the survey data and shaping it into a comprehensive analysis. If you would like to review the survey results please click the link below or scan the QR code to see the summary and detail pages of the Community Survey.

<https://www.monticelloutah.org/CommunityGeneralPlanSurvey>





Parks & Recreation



The City was awarded a grant to go towards the restoration and revitalization of Loyds Lake. This grant will pay to replace and upgrade all three bridges, cut ditches, install culverts and riprap, resurface the whole trail and a variety of other things to make the area more accessible while fixing big issues that have occurred over time. The City will match this grant with \$25,000, making the total project \$1,145,000. The project bid is anticipated to go out mid to late April with work beginning Mid May to the beginning of June. Unfortunately during this time the trail will be **CLOSED**. Anticipate everything to be back to normal Spring of 2027.

We also finally secured a contractor to start the work at Veterans Park! Work has begun and is anticipated to be wrapped up by Mid May! We can't wait for the improvements to be made and have a fully accessible playground!



Welcome Center

Exciting Updates for the Welcome Center!

The installation of parking lot lights is just around the corner! After a year of planning, it's time to wrap up this project. However, before we do, we have an exciting announcement to share!

The Welcome Center will be adding an RV Waste Station, which will be a fantastic upgrade at the Welcome Center!

We are now accepting applications for the Welcome Center Locals' Corner! Whether you create handmade items or have products you'd like to offer, we want to hear from you.

- Interested in selling your products?
- Stop by the City Office at 17 N 100 E to pick up an application.

Our peak months are April to October, and we provide both 6-month and 1-year contracts. We would be thrilled to help showcase and sell your creations!

Scan Code to Fill out the Locals Corner Application



As the school year comes to a close, I won't be present at the crosswalk during the summer. Please remain vigilant while driving this season and be mindful of everyone who is out and about.

Sanitation Reminder

Do you want our trees and bushes to look like this?



The Public Works Department would like to remind all that taking the time to bag your trash is not only required but will help keep Monticello clean. During pickup on windy days, which is almost always, non bagged trash is sent flying in the winds of Monticello. If you see a reminder sticker on your polycart, please understand that we are trying to keep our City clean and need your help to do it. Additionally please don't over fill your polycarts. The truck has limits to its dumping capabilities and if the lid is over 1/4 of the way open, we can't pick it. For more information on Collection and Pickup of Garbage see [City Code 4-4](#).

Sewer Reminders

THE TRUTH ABOUT "FLUSHABLE" WIPES

"Flushable wipes" are marketed as a convenient alternative to toilet paper. While some people appreciate their comfort and convenience, their disposal can cause significant problems for both homeowners and the community.

Though flushable wipes do go down the toilet, they are not biodegradable and are not suitable for sewer systems. Here's why:

Blockages: Wipes combine with fat, grease, and oil, leading to sewer blockages known as fatbergs.

Sewer Main Issues: Wipes can lodge in the sewer main, obstructing flow.

Grinder Damage: Wipes can clog grinders, causing them to burn out.

To prevent these issues, it's essential to dispose of wipes in the trash rather than flushing them down the toilet. Sewer backups are costly and time consuming. If a blockage occurs in a service line, the homeowner bears the repair costs. If it's in a public main, taxpayers ultimately cover the expense.

Please do NOT flush the following items:

Wipes (baby or adult), Feminine Hygiene Products, Cotton Balls or Swabs, Dental Floss, Paper Towels, Tissue, Medications, Plastic Packaging, Cigarette Butts.

By disposing of these items properly, you can help prevent fatbergs and costly sewer backups."

"The Truth About "Flushable" Wipes, Town of Collierville, n.d., <https://www.colliervilletn.gov/government/town-departments/public-services/public-utilities/sewer-backup-information/the-truth-about-flushable-wipes-852>"





Planning Commission

The Planning Commission is continuing to work on the City General Plan. This plan helps legislative, administrative and the community work towards the same goals. We are also working through the recent changes passed at the latest State Legislative Session. Planning Commission typically meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Hideout Community Center. We would love to see you there!

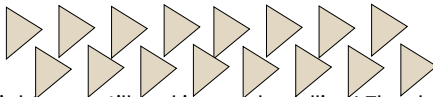
Recreation Committee

The City Recreation Committee is figuring out our yearly fundraising opportunities and how to help support the recreation programs that are starting to ramp up. There were a lot of comments in the recent general plan survey asking for recreation programs for non-athletes and we have been tossing around a few ideas. If there is something specific that you are thinking of please reach out and let us know!

Parks & Beautification

The Parks & Beautification Committee has been looking into grants to potentially help with beautification efforts on Main & Center Street. They are hopeful to see some funding for new pots and banners! Additionally they are seeking another member for the committee! If you are interested in becoming a member please email megang@monticelloutah.gov.

City Events



- Community Movie Nights are still rocking and a rolling! Thank you to everyone who comes out and enjoys the evening with us. It's always a fun time.
- The City of Monticello is working with SJCPAC to have a Parent Empowerment night on May 22, 2026. We are still hammering out all of the details of this event and plan on hosting it at Veterans Park with the recent upgrades to the playground equipment hopefully being completed! P.S. lets get down & DEBRY.
- Pioneer Days planning is going smoothly and we are excited that we are bringing inflatables back for a third year! Save the date for July 24th & 25th!



Secondary Water

The Secondary water rate has been set to stage 4 critical. This means that this summer it will be more important than ever to keep an eye on your water usage to keep your bill under control. We have made adjustments to the billing system to ensure that rates will be accurate but it is up to you to keep the usage down. For best water conservation advice go to: <https://conservewater.utah.gov/weekly-lawn-watering-guide/>

As a reminder close all Secondary Valves by April 7th. By closing this valve you can prevent leaks and wasted water from open faucets or broken pipes. Open valves are over the pipe and closed valves are turned to the side of the pipe, see pictures on the right.



Open Valve (In Line with Pipe)

Closed Valve (Side of Pipe)

How To Read A Secondary Meter

Step 1

Locate your secondary meter box, a green 14"x20" box (with or without a black circle)



Step 2

Open the cover using a non-damaging tool, like a flat head screwdriver (**Watch out for spiders, snakes or other animals**)



Step 3

Get the reading from your meter and close lid when finished



Line Marks are for Thousands

Step 4

Compare against your last reading to calculate usage only using lined numbers.

For Example: Last reading was 1604, Current reading 1616
 Current - Last = Total Usage
 1616 - 1604 = Usage of 12,000
***All City Water Meters are measured in Thousands of Gallons**

Understanding Secondary Rates

STAGE 4 CRISIS RATES		BASE RATE \$20.00
-	5,999	\$ -
6,000	10,999	\$ 5.00 per 1000 GAL
11,000	20,999	\$ 10.00 per 1000 GAL
21,000	34,999	\$ 20.00 per 1000 GAL
35,000	50,999	\$ 50.00 per 1000 GAL
51,000	<	\$75.00 per 1000 GAL

For Example: If I used 12,000 gallons (12 on utility bill)

Base Rate: \$20.00 (5 Usage)
 Additional 5 usage x \$5.00 per gallon (\$25.00)
 Additional 2 Usage x \$10.00 per gallon (\$20.00)
Total Secondary Bill: \$65.00

Important Notes:

- For the Month of April, only usage will be charged. No base rate of \$20 will be charged since it is a partial month. The base rate will be charged on all bills May - October billing.
- If you wish to opt out of secondary water base rate your meter must be removed and will be charged the full price of the meter if you ever choose to be reconnected (it is less expensive to have secondary for three years with low usage than to remove and replace the meter)



Airport Committee

The Airport Committee has been busy working on expanding visitation at the Airport and re-mapping Airport goals for the City's General Plan. These goals will help direct the City towards a better airport. This work has increased over the years as the committee has provided direction on additional amenities needed.

There are two positions available to join the airport committee. If any individuals would like to volunteer to join our committee please contact Kaeden at 435-587-2271 ext. 13 or kaeden@monticelloutah.gov.

Even if you are still learning about Airports your input can help shape and grow our City airport. Please join us today.

Employee Recognition Corner

Employee shout-out! This edition's spotlight goes to our Public Works employee, Shayne Christensen. Shayne has recently expanded his certifications to include Water Backflow prevention. This certification adds to his Waste Water, Water Treatment, and Water Distribution certifications. Each one of these certifications come with additional training that is completed yearly. Shayne has continually taken the knowledge he has gained and is applying it to help Monticello City improve policies and operations of the Water system. Make sure to congratulate Shayne on his many accomplishments working with Monticello City when you see him around town!



Upcoming Events

Council, Commission, and Committee Meetings:

- April 1st - Recreation Committee Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- April 7th - Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- April 14th - City Council/MBA Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- April 16th - Parks and Beautification Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- April 20th - Airport Committee Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- April 28th - City Council/Work Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- May 5th - Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- May 6th - Recreation Committee Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- May 12th - City Council/MBA Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- May 18th - Airport Committee Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- May 21st - Parks and Beautification Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- May 26th - City Council/Work Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- June 2nd - Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- June 3rd - Recreation Committee Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- June 9th - City Council/MBA Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- June 15th - Airport Committee Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- June 18th - Parks and Beautification Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- June 23rd - City Council/Work Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- July 1st - Recreation Committee Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- July 7th - Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- July 14th - City Council/MBA Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- July 16th - Parks and Beautification Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- July 20th - Airport Committee Meeting @ 5:00 PM
- July 28th - City Council/Work Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Meeting Locations:

Hideout Community Center: City Council, Planning Commission - City Offices: Parks and Beautification, Recreation Committee, and Airport Committee, along with all meetings directly with staff.

Sports Registration

T-BALL PRE-K -KINDER:
REGISTRATION IS OPEN 2/2/26 AND CLOSSES APRIL 19TH

MACHINE PITCH 1ST - 2ND GRADE:
REGISTRATION IS OPEN 2/2/26 AND CLOSSES APRIL 19TH

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL 3RD - 9TH
REGISTRATION IS OPEN 2/2/26 AND CLOSSES APRIL 26TH

MOUNTAIN BIKING 2ND -6TH GRADE:
REGISTRATION IS OPEN 3/2/26 AND CLOSSES MAY 17TH

SWIM TEAM/LESSONS AGE 3-18:
REGISTRATION IS OPEN 3/2/26 AND CLOSSES JULY 12TH

COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHTS ARE STILL HAPPENING! CHECK YOUR KIDS' BACKPACKS FOR MOVIE NIGHT FLYERS. MOVIE NIGHTS ARE USUALLY PLANNED FOR THE THIRD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH. DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN! THANK YOU, SJCPAC, FOR DOING THE CRAFT!

Recently Passed Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinances:

2026-01: Amendments to §15 Recreational Vehicle Parks and §10-2-1 Storage Of Recreational Vehicles

2026-02: An Ordinance Establishing a City Data Privacy Program in Compliance with the Utah Government Data Privacy Act (U.C.A. § 63A-19-101, et seq.)

2026-03: An Ordinance Prohibiting the Unauthorized Feeding of Protected Wildlife

Resolutions:

2026-01: Reappointment of Appointed Officers of the City

2026-02: Interlocal Agreement Governing the Use of the San Juan County Justice Court by Monticello City

2026-03: A Resolution Amending the Authorized Signers for the Monticello City Corporation Account at Zions Bank

2026-04: Public Entity Resolution

2026-05: Municipal Wastewater Planning Program Resolution

