

Well Folks,

The second quarter of 2008 is now over and time is marching on quickly. Summer is in mid stride and we are looking forward to a wonderful 4th of July celebration this year. The committee has been meeting for months and it looks like things are coming together nicely.

Our Streets and Sanitation Dept. has put in an order for a new pickup truck. This will be a new heavy duty truck which will see extensive use during the winter months as a snow plow. We look forward to getting that and putting it in use.

We just had a very well attended Community Clean up day and were very happy with the participation. There are so many small things in the city that add up and this is a day that we have so much of it taken care of. We really appreciate our youth in the city that make up a very large part of the force on this day each year.

The Liberty Bible Church has finished its permitting process and should have its construction get under way soon on a new facility just off of 1975 north on the east end of town. We wish them well.

ATK, better known locally as Thiokol has been good enough to our community to donate a used backhoe that is being taken out of service with their company. We welcome the help from them and appreciate them thinking of us. Bruce Higley was instrumental in getting together with them and getting the backhoe. ATK has many employees that call our city home.

We are in the final stages of settling our action plan for work to upgrade our sewer facilities. Don Weston and Brent White have worked long and hard to come up with much needed improvements for our system and also watched the budget closely to accomplish all we need at a very good cost.

Our Planning Commission has spent much of the spring revamping our zoning and ordinances. It is so easy to have them get out of date as we grow so quickly and we appreciate their efforts in keeping us current.

The big news is that we have settled on a recycling plan for the city and chosen a vendor to provide this service. We will have the details in the next quarter as we hammer out the end contract. This has been a hot topic this last couple of years as we have had many requests to address this issue and provide a way that our citizens can economically participate. We were one of the first communities in the area to have our own landfill for green waste and have had it operating for years very successfully. We look forward to curbside recycling.

That's it for this quarter.

I will return with an update at the end of September.

Mayor Jay Jenkins