



LANCE HAIGHT—NEW POLICE CHIEF AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Hello Springville! I am Lance Haight, your new Police Chief and Director of Public Safety. Let me first say that I am ecstatic to be here. I was born in Utah County, and so this really feels like coming home. I have been preparing to be a police chief my entire career, and I have a lot of experience that will help me do the job. I am ready and energized to lead the great men and women of the Springville Department of Public Safety.

Here's a little bit about myself: I grew up in Utah and Idaho, second oldest of 7 kids, great childhood, loved the outdoors, Scouting, snow skiing, and I actually liked school. I served a mission in Rochester, New York. Man! I thought I had a handle on living in the cold, but Buffalo, New York is a whole new level of cold! My parents moved to California while I was in New York, and they were kind enough to send me their forwarding address. I went to Cal Poly and earned a degree in Architectural Engineering. Most importantly, I met my amazing wife Jennefer. We have been happily married for 27 years and counting. We have three beautiful daughters – Sophie, Avery, and Riley.



After college, I worked as a structural engineer for a few years, but it just wasn't a good fit for me. My father-in-law was in law enforcement and encouraged me to apply, and I have never looked back. I love being a cop. It's awesome to have a job that they make movies about. I have arrested more people than I can remember and for things that I am trying to forget, but it has been very rewarding!

Springville is a great community, with great people, and a great police department and fire department. As your Director of Public Safety, I will work to keep Springville great!

At a January City Council Meeting, Lance Haight was sworn in as Springville's new Director of Public Safety. Later he was appointed as Police Chief after completing State certification.



CERT CHECK-IN AT FIRE STATION #1

The acronym CERT stands for Community Emergency Response Team and we are announcing a CERT members check-in to be held Saturday, March 6, 2021 from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

All CERT members in Springville are invited to check in at Springville Fire Station #41 in CERT attire and with their CERT kits, where they will sign in at one of two tables north of the fire station. Prizes will be given to all who show up.

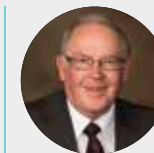
CERT members will benefit from this exercise because they get the chance to check their kits and demonstrate that they are still prepared to serve the community in the event of a real emergency. CERT members will receive an invitation by email to register. To become a member of CERT contact Martin Palmer at palmerhq@q.com.



More than 800 works of art from over 100 schools across the state were submitted. Come see the 325 selected for display from Utah's talented high school artists—on display February 6, 2021 to March 19, 2021.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Serving over the years I have witnessed a lot of change in our city. I have served with some really wonderful people



devoted to making Springville the great community it is. Sometimes change is difficult and hard to adjust to, but it is my overall experience that change is good for the growth and development within a city.

Another recent change is the retirement of our Manager of Administrative Services, Rod Oldroyd. Anyone who knows Rod, knows that he loves Springville! Rod will definitely be missed. I want to extend my thanks and appreciation for all of the many things Rod has done for our city and for me as the Mayor. I will miss his valuable council and advice. I want to wish Rod the best of luck and happiness in retirement.

It is our hope that soon we will be able to experience the excitement and joy of being together as a community celebrating the things we have missed this last year. Springville employees are doing their best to adapt as they plan for the coming youth sport programs, recreation programs, Art City Days, and other city events to make this coming year a great one!

—Mayor Richard J. Child

We recently said farewell to our chief of police as he embarks in a new direction and hired a new employee to take on that role. I welcome Lance Haight to our community. I am excited to get to know him and start working with him as, our new Chief of Police, as well as our Public Safety Director. Chief Haight has an impressive resume and Springville is very fortunate to have him.

Last year brought about a lot of change. Many of our lives were impacted by the pandemic and other turbulent events. Despite these being difficult times, I believe that many in our community uplift and serve those around us.

As we move forward in 2021 our city is trying to get things back to as close to normal as we can with the circumstances we are dealing with.

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MAYOR'S YOUTH AWARDS ARE BACK



The Mayor and City Council are excited to begin recognizing outstanding youth from the community with the Mayor's Youth Awards. The awards have been on hiatus due to COVID restrictions but with safety measures in place the ceremonies have resumed! Easton Conrad, Caden Lacey and Hudson Beal were recognized in January's city council meetings for their examples of honesty, integrity and hard work.

THE RECAP-RECENT HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN

More than 300 new dwelling units were started in Springville during 2020; roughly a 3% growth rate. We also had a record (18) number of new commercial buildings started. The value of permits issued was just under \$140,000,000. Approximately 18 subdivision plats were approved with 441 residential lots and 39 commercial lots in them. Springville City has averaged a 2% growth rate over the last 10 years. This is a rapid rate of growth.

The city recently received a grant totaling \$195,000 to improve walking routes in town. Sidewalks will be going in near 800 East and Brookside Drive and 1355 South between 400 East and 700 East, with the City contributing about \$80,000 towards the final projects.

Springville Recreation received a grant from Utah County for approximately \$16,000. These funds will help with two shaded benches at the Clyde Recreation Center, aqua fitness boards for classes at the CRC, LED Lighting in the Cherry Creek North Gym, and new volleyballs, nets, and standards at Cherry Creek South Gym.

BRIGHT CLOTHES AFTER DARK



Drivers need to be vigilant this winter watching for pedestrians and bikers. Even though it is February, joggers, pedestrians and bikers enjoy using, exercising and have the right to use our streets and sidewalks.

Please remember to wear bright clothing when walking or biking at night. Too many pedestrians and bicyclists wear dark clothing and drivers cannot see them at dusk or during bad weather. Always cross the street in a well lit area. Be safe and dress bright.

CITY CODE NEED TO KNOWS: ELECTRICAL SERVICE

DISCONNECT

It shall be unlawful for any person after an electrical service has been disconnected by the Power Department to use or re-connect to such system without authority to do so, the offender could be liable for damages to Springville City and to any other injured person. ([Springville City Code §4-1-108](#))



ACCESS

Free access shall at all reasonable times be allowed to authorized Power Department personnel to all places supplied with service from the power system. ([Springville City Code §4-1-109](#))

PERMITS

Permits are required for installation, alteration, repair, or construction of any electrical work. No connection shall be made or permitted to the City's power system until the electrical work has been inspected and approved by the Power Department or other authorized City inspector. ([Springville City Code §4-1-110](#))

SPRING SOCCER

For girls and boys age 4 through 12th grade. Registration deadline is February 12, 2021. Go to springville.org/recreation/soccer.

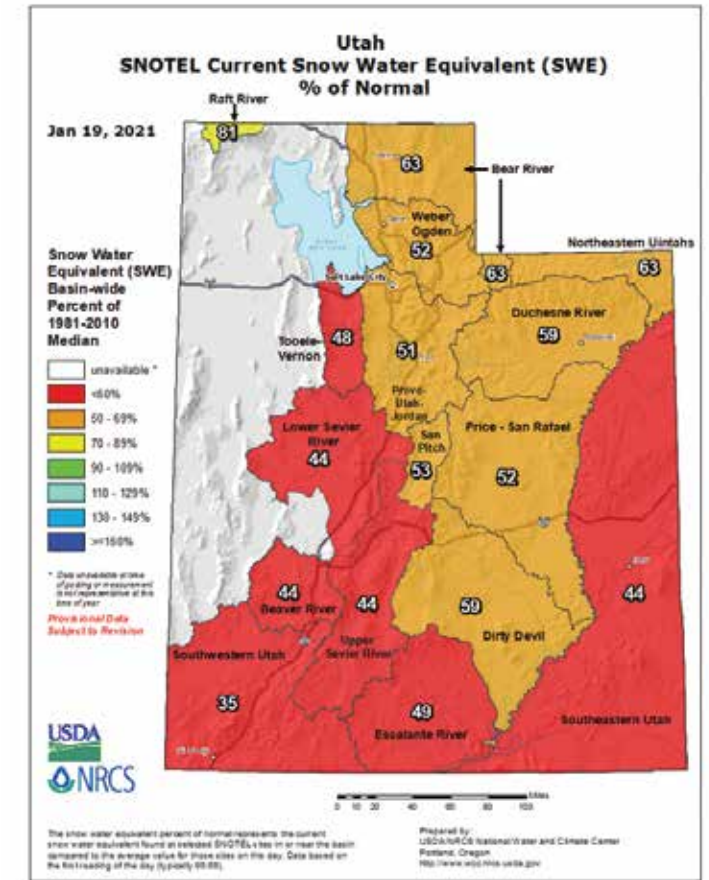
BASEBALL-SOFTBALL-KICKBALL

For boys age Pre-K through 8th Grade, and for girls age Pre-K through 9th grade. Registration opens February 15, 2021 Go to springville.org/recreation/baseballsoftball.

URBAN FISHING

Session 1: For girls and boys age 6 through 13. Space is limited to 25 participants. Registration opens February 15, 2021. Go to springville.org/recreation/fishing.

GETTING READY FOR A DRY SUMMER



You may be enjoying the mild winter because it means less shoveling and safer driving, but we really depend on the snow if we want to have water in the warmer months. Attached is a picture of the [NRCS Snowtel update](#) from January 19, 2021, showing Springville at 51% of normal for snow pack. Anything under 80% is considered drought. Watch for future newsletter articles and information on social media regarding water conservation and information regarding possible restrictions as we get closer to spring and summer.

SPRING CEMETERY CLEAN UP

Springville City and Evergreen Cemetery personnel will begin spring clean-up on Monday, March 8, 2021.

Please remove decorations you have placed on graves by Sunday, March 7th or they may be removed and disposed of by cemetery personnel. Call or email Paul Defa (sexton) with questions. 801-489-2775, pdefa@springville.org.

