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Celebrate the 4th at Nephi City Park

Come and celebrate Independence Day at the Nephi City Park on Saturday, July 4. There will be activities for all ages.

The schedule of events begins with breakfast starting at 6:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Registration for 3 on 3 basketball begins at 7:00 a.m. and the tournament begins at 8:00 a.m.

The flag raising ceremony begins at 9:00 a.m. and the country store opens at 9:15 a.m. Also starting at 9:15, carnival games and rides will be available to kids of all ages.

The bidding for quilts starts at 9:30 and goes until 11:00. Ready to eat? The hamburger stand opens—with new menu items—at 11:00. Register for the dodgeball tournament at 11:00 and watch the talent show at 11:30.

Dodge ball tournament begins at noon. New this year, field games, \$3.00 for a wrist band.

The live auction starts at 1:00 p.m. and the second act of the talent show begins at 3:00 p.m.

At dusk, head on up to the Juab High School football field for fireworks.

For more information, go to NephiIndependence.com



FIREWORKS ON SATURDAY • As part of the 4th of July celebration, Nephi City fire department will be setting off fireworks at the Juab High School football field at dusk. This year, it's reported that it will be a great show.

Mona City creates a local building authority

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Mona now has a local building authority which was created at meeting last Tuesday.

It was preceded by several months of consideration by the Mona City Council and by Greg Newton, mayor, who requested that the city attorney draw up the legal paperwork for consideration by the council.

Eric Todd Johnson of Blaisdell, Church & Johnson, is the attorney for Mona City but was represented at the meeting by Jordan Bennett, an attorney with the firm.

"We would be foolish to not go down this road," said Greg Newton, mayor.

After some explanation, council members created a local building authority by resolution, and adopted articles of incorporation and by-laws. The authority became official immediately.

"Under the Utah Local Building Authority Act, by statute, the city may create a local building authority," said Bennett.

"This does away with the need to have a dedicated revenue stream," said Newton. "This way we do not have to raise water rates."

A building authority, said Bennett, also makes the city's projects more appealing to the CIB (Community Impact Board).

"The CIB wants everything secured before they give a loan," he said.

He had found that to be true in previous meetings he and council members had with the CIB, said Newton.

"CIB smiles a lot more when a city has its own building authority," Newton said.

Parowan recently used their building authority to undertake a new city office project, which, said Bennett, he understood the city council of Mona was wishing to do.

The building authority was helpful in that project.

Juab County also has a local building authority.

"The mayor and city council also serve as the building authority," Bennett said.

The normal course of events would be that the council would open a regular council meeting, would then move to leave that meeting, would convene in a building authority meeting, discuss that business, close that meeting and reconvene in city council; the mayor pro tem serves as the vice chair, the treasurer as the treasurer and the recorder acts as the secretary. The council members become governing board members.

The officers of the authority board are to be elected by the board and new offices may be created by the board at any meeting of the board.

A majority of the authority board will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

The building authority board can also appoint committees to assist but they will have the authority of the board and

Nephi City amends city purchasing ordinance and adopts updated purchasing policy

By Myrna Trauntvein
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Nephi City has amended the city purchasing ordinance and adopted an updated purchasing policy.

Council members agreed to strike one section of the administrative code of the city and, in its place, adopt the following: "The city administrator shall be the purchasing agent for the city. The city administrator may delegate some or all of the duties of the purchasing agent to other, responsible employees and will inform the governing body of such delegation. Purchasing activities of Nephi City are governed by a purchasing policy separately adopted by the governing

body."

The new paragraph was adopted and became effective immediately.

Kasey Wright, city attorney, prepared the documents for the county to consider.

McKnight, as in current policy, remains the purchasing agent for the city.

The council agreed to amend the purchasing ordinance and also considered a written purchasing policy which is a new document.

"The purchasing policy will now be in a separate document," said Randy McKnight, city administrator.

The purchasing policy is designed to ensure fair and equitable treatment of all those who conduct business with the city and is to provide for the

greatest possible economy in the city's procurement activities.

There are, as is the case in most purchasing ordinances, some exemptions. The policy will not prevent the city from complying with terms and conditions of any grant, gift or bequest and allow the city to comply with applicable federal law and regulations.

The purchase of library books, tapes, films, publications, periodicals and subscriptions are exempt but there will be a good-faith effort to purchase at competitive prices.

There is a list of definitions. One of those is "lowest responsible bidder" which means a person or firm who has the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract re-

quirements and who has the integrity and reliability which will assure good-faith performance.

The ordinance also outlines the source selection and contract formation of purchases not requiring sealed bids.

"Purchases costing less than \$1,000 in total shall not require any formal bid procedure," said McKnight.

The city will still seek the best price.

Purchases costing more than \$1,000 but less than \$5,000 total require telephone or written bids or quotations.

Purchases made through the cooperative purchasing

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Gliders will take to the skies over Nephi this week

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There will be a significant amount of glider activity at the Nephi Municipal Airport over the next few weeks.

There will be a group of 10 to 20 gliders from out of state who will be launching from our airport," said Randy McKnight, city administrator.

They came in June 22. They were not part of an organized event but used the airport during the week prior to Saturday, June 27.

From Saturday, June 27 through Sunday, July 5, there will be an organized glider

event held at the airport.

"It will include 70 gliders, with their pilots and support staff, and several tow planes and pilots to launch the gliders," said McKnight.

The event is called the Nephi OLC/Cross-Country Camp and is sponsored by the Utah Soaring Association.

Association member Bruno Vassel is the event organizer.

"They will hold their group events and safety meetings in the northernmost building at the airport," he said. "They will launch the gliders mid-



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Glider over Mt. Nebo

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