



TOWN OF ALTA NEWSLETTER

September 2006

A monthly report of municipal business in the Town of Alta

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Mayor's Report

This report documents the Mayor's report and other municipal news from the Town Council meeting on September 14, 2006.

The Town of Alta submitted its comments to the US Forest Service addressing the Preliminary Environmental Assessment for the Albion Basin Winter Travel Plan. Please contact the Town if you would like a copy of the Town's comments. The USFS is in the process of preparing a final Environmental Assessment, which should be available in late October or early November.

On August 24, the Salt Lake County

Conference of Mayors was held at the Rustler Lodge. Two issues that were widely discussed at the Conference of Mayors were possible avenues of funding for TRAX expansion in the Salt Lake Valley, and the creation of the new Salt Lake Countywide Watershed Water Quality Stewardship Plan. There is debate regarding the source of funding for TRAX expansion—property tax or sales tax—and the legislature has been discussing this. The Town of Alta participates in the Jordan River Watershed Council, which will play a key role in the visioning process for the new Watershed Plan.

The Salt Lake County Council of Governments meeting on September 7th included a presentation about the federally funded National Children's Study. The intention of this study will be to track children from birth to 21 years of age to evaluate the affect environment has on their health, including assessing such issues as obesity and autism. Salt Lake County is considered a "national vanguard site" for the National Children's Study.

Mayor Pollard reported on summer projects and programs, including the success of the Town's

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Marshal's Report August 10 - September 14, 2006

August 19, 2006
At 5:30 pm, the Alta deputy escorted a 56-year-old male, complaining that he was not feeling well, to Fire Station 13 for an assessment of his condition. At 6:58

pm, the deputy responded to the Snowbird Center to assist the Unified Fire Authority (UFA) with an apparent drug overdose. The 26-year-old female patient was transported to hos-

pital by ambulance.

August 21, 2006
At 11:54 am, the Alta deputy found, recovered, and returned the Supreme Ski Lift sign to
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Mayor's Report

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shuttle program to the Albion Basin, the Summer Booth program, and repair work being conducted on the Cecret Lake Trail. The Town Park has been shut down for the summer, and Albion Campground is now closed for the season.

Jordan School District representatives, Mr. Barry Newbold and Mr. Burke Jolley, summarized the status of discussions regarding the creation of another school district that would potentially include the Town of Alta. Mayor Pollard and the Alta Town Council have numerous questions regarding the creation of a new district, and all agreed that the many issues should be addressed

in a feasibility study.

The Town of Alta continues to purchase emergency equipment using its homeland security grants. The latest purchase was two ATVs and a medical skid to be used by and stored at the UFA Fire Station 113.

The Alta Town Council voted to approve the "Interlocal Cooperation Agreement to study the feasibility of creating a new school district". A copy of this agreement is available at the Town office.

During the Town Council meeting, the Alta Town Council passed the following resolutions (copies of the resolutions may be obtained at the Town office):

2006-R-11: A resolution supporting school impact fees.

2006-R-12: A resolution supporting school district creation procedures.

Marshal's Report

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the Alta Ski Lifts Co.

August 24, 2006

At 1:24 pm, the Alta deputy investigated an assault complaint involving two males. The conflict originated the previous night at the Snowbird Tram Club.

August 26, 2006

At 9:37 am, Alta Dispatch received a call from a local resident on the Albion Summer Road. He reported smoke and flames coming from the exterior of a neighboring home. The Alta Marshal's Office (AMO) and UFA responded and quickly extinguished the fire. The origin of the fire was faulty electrical heat tape, which leads to the roof.

August 30, 2006

The Alta deputy investigated a hit and run crash that occurred in the Albion Basin.

September 1, 2006

At 10:56 am, the Alta deputy investigated a crash involving an unattended vehicle that rolled off the south side of the road towards the Alta Lodge. The fortunate aspect of this incident is that the car was stopped short of hitting the lodge when it collided with a power pole. The power was knocked out, and later restored after the vehicle was recovered by a tow truck.

September 4, 2006

At 1:35 pm, the Alta deputy discovered a smoldering, illegal campfire in a group of trees near

the Catherine's Pass trail. The fire required water and shoveling to put it out. At 2:29 pm, the deputy assisted a fatigued hiker by giving him and his son a ride to his vehicle that was located at the Snowbird Resort.

September 7, 2006

At 8:40 pm, the Alta deputy was dispatched to assist with a two-car crash, located mid-canyon near Tanner's Flat. Although one car rolled, no serious injuries were reported.

September 9, 2006

At 4:00 pm, the AMO assisted with the annual Peruvian Lodge Downhill Dash. At 7:01 pm, the deputy was dispatched to the

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Court Report for September 2006

A Montana resident returned to the Salt Lake area and found that she had an outstanding warrant for not appearing on speeding and "no proof of insurance" charges. The defendant came to court and showed that she no longer owned the vehicle in question. The prosecution dismissed the insurance charge in return for a guilty plea of driving nine miles per hour of the speed limit. The defendant was fined \$92.

A South Jordan resident appeared and pled guilty to an amended charge of driving 10 miles per hour over the speed limit. He was fined \$92.

Two Salt Lake City residents appeared to contest their swimming in a watershed tickets. After some discussion with the prosecutor,

the defendants both pled no contest with a six month plea in abeyance agreement. and were each fined \$60.

A Riverton resident appeared as a result of an order to show cause why he was not paying his fine as scheduled. The defendant paid \$100 and was put on the docket for next month's court.

During September 2006, 21 traffic cases were filed. Eleven traffic cases were disposed of either through bail forfeiture, trial, arraignment or transfer. Three new criminal cases were filed and one was disposed.

Marshal's Report

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Snowbird Resort to assist with an unattended vehicle that rolled off the parking area and down the bank at Entry 3.

September 11, 2006

At 10:00 am, while on patrol in the Albion Basin, the deputy noticed a group of young kids at the Catherine's Pass trailhead. Wondering why they were not in school, he stopped to chat with them. After conducting some interviews and contacting their schools, the kids' stories did not pan out. They were sent back to school to meet with their school officers who were awaiting their arrival.

September 12, 2006

Dispatch took a report from a woman who lost a camera. At 7:12 pm, the deputy responded to a noise complaint at a construction site on the Blackjack Road. The workers were advised of the ordinance limiting construction activities from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm.

September 13, 2006

The Alta Marshal's Office assisted the residents living along the Blackjack Road with an attempt to get the construction trucks and ATV's that pass through the residential area in route to the new Snowbird ski lift to kindly drive slow.

Other duties during this period included:

289 Business and Property Checks
2 Motorist Assists
24 Motorist Violations
2 Watershed Violations
76 Forest Service Patrols
4 Agency Assists
4 Alarm Responses

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Post Office Phone: (801) 742-2142
Library/Community Center Phone: (801) 742-2068
Alta Resort Association Phone: (801) 742-0101
Justice Court Clerk Phone: (801) 742-2407
Alta Central Info Line: (801) 742-3403
UDOT Cottonwood Canyons Hotline: (801) 975-4838

November 7 is the General Election. If you are a registered voter in the Town of Alta, your polling location is the Albion Grill. Polling times are 7 am to 8 pm.

The voter registration deadline for the November election is October 9.

Satellite registration will take place on October 20 and 23. Contact the Salt Lake County Election Office at 801.468.3427 for the satellite registration location nearest you.

VOTE

ALTA BOXHOLDER

The Town of Alta facilitates a voluntary drop-off recycling program. Recyclable materials should be placed in trailers located near the Alta Community Center/Library building. In addition to cardboard, paper, and aluminum, we now accept plastics #1 and #2. Contact Laura McIndoe for recycling questions.



Calendar for October and November

October

- 16 3:30pm Children's Beading Class; Our Lady of the Snows; Contact ACE at 801.742.0830 or www.altaarts.org
19 10am **Alta Town Council Meeting; Alta Community Center**

November

- 7 7am-8pm General Election; Albion Grill
9 10am **Alta Town Council Meeting; Alta Community Center**
16 Tentative Opening Day for Alta Ski Area; Visit www.alta.com for updates, or call 801.742.3333
29 730pm Teton Gravity Research movie—"Anomaly"; Our Lady of the Snows; ACE event, \$5.00 admission

** ACE will present a "Welcome to Winter Slide Show" in November. The day and time for this event are to be announced soon. Please check ACE's website at www.altaarts.org, or call 801.742.0830 for event updates.