



TOWN OF ALTA NEWSLETTER

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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 Alta Town Council meeting on October 19, 2006.

Mayor Pollard reported on recent news of a proposed transportation tunnel between Alta and Brighton. Mayor Pollard will attend a meeting on November 3 in order to obtain more information about this proposal. This proposed interconnect tunnel has significant implications regarding transportation, development, environmental, and watershed concerns. According to news reports, the tunnel proposal also includes a year-round transporta-

tion link connecting Brighton and The Canyons, either through another tunnel, or by constructing snow sheds over Guardsman's Pass.

Councilman Steven Gilman reported that UDOT received a grant to install an "Intelligent Transportation System" (a network of electronic information signs) for Big and Little Cottonwood Canyon Roads. The purpose of the signs is to inform the public about park & ride facilities, bus schedules, and other road information.

The Annual Little Cottonwood Canyon Road Committee Kick-Off Meeting will be held on Monday No-

vember 6 at the Albion Grill. The attendees of this meeting include representatives from all jurisdictions involved in aspects of transportation management in Little Cottonwood Canyon.

And, more transportation news... The Little Cottonwood Canyon SR210 Transportation Study was recently finalized. This study primarily focuses on the high avalanche hazard rating for Little Cottonwood Road, and solutions to reduce the avalanche hazard, including transportation alternatives and engineering controls. The study includes the costs and feasibility of implementing

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Marshal's Report September 14 to October 19, 2006

September 15, 2006
At 3:01 am, the deputy on duty took a theft report from a construction contractor working on a home in the Albion Basin. The report included the theft of several con-

struction tools. This case is still under investigation.

September 16, 2006
The snow Alta received inspired the "jibbers" to crawl out of the wood-

work. This kept the cops on their toes trying to keep them off buildings, railings, and dragging picnic tables and such out onto the mountain.

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Mayor's Report

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the different solutions. The Town of Alta is also beginning the process to conduct Corridor Management Plans and Interpretive Plans for Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons. The Town received a grant from the Federal Highways Administration under its Scenic Byways Program to coordinate the preparation of these plans. Finally, the US Forest Service is coordinating a pre-feasibility study of transportation issues for the tri-canyon area (Mill Creek, Big Cottonwood, and Little Cottonwood Canyons) with the federal Technical Advisory Group. The Forest Service is coordinating this study with representatives from jurisdictions involved in transportation, land and natu-

ral resource management in the canyons.

Mayor Pollard is participating in the feasibility process investigating the formation of a new school district that will affect the Town of Alta, Sandy City, Draper, Midvale, and Salt Lake County. The issues surrounding the creation of a new school district are numerous and complex, requiring a thorough feasibility study.

Marshal's Report

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September 19, 2006

At 2:26 pm, the Alta Marshal's Office and the Unified Fire Authority (UFA) were dispatched to a residence on the By-Pass Road to remedy a smoldering electric hot water heater.

September 22, 2006

At 8:52 am, the Alta Marshal's Office and UFA responded to a medical emergency at a residence on Martha Road. The patient was transported to the hospital by ambulance. At 4:00 pm, the deputy responded to a complaint from the management at Powder Ridge. The incident involved several uncooperative jibbers who would not stay off the homes in the area. The young recreation enthusiasts

were given trespass warnings and lectures. At 10:42 pm, the deputy was once again giving out warnings and lectures to jibbers trespassing on the church railings.

September 26, 2006

At 4:00 pm, a woman called to report that she lost her Kodak digital camera when it flew off the roof of her car.

September 29, 2006

At 7:00 pm, the Alta Marshal's Office investigated a report of a gun shot in the Emma Ridge area. Contact was made with a misinformed hunter.

September 30, 2006

At 12:17 am, the deputy assisted the County Sheriff's Office with a vehicle roll-over near Tanner's

Campground. At 7:52 pm, the deputy assisted with a motorcycle crash in the mid-canyon.

October 2, 2006

At 3:34 pm, the deputy assisted with a crash involving a Pepsi delivery truck that turned over trying to avoid a motorist parked on a blind corner enjoying the beautiful fall colors. No injuries were reported.

October 17 and 18, 2006

With a change in the weather and new snow to slide on, the jibbers returned to Alta in full force. One group brought their own picnic table to jump on, while another individual shoveled a large amount of snow on the church

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November 7 Election; Salt Lake County Propositions

The Salt Lake County ballot for the November 7 election will, among other things, contain three propositions that will affect the Town of Alta, in their passing, or not passing. These propositions are related to funding mechanisms for recreation projects, open space, trails, and transportation projects, each of which reflect concerns facing the Town. Summaries of each of these propositions are presented below. Information regarding your ballot, voter registration status, and polling location can be found online at <http://www.clerk.slco.org/>.

Salt Lake County Proposition 1—Salt Lake County Zoo, Arts, Parks (ZAP) recreation projects.

This proposition would allow Salt

Lake County to authorize general obligation bonds (not to exceed \$65,000,000) for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of recreational facilities and related improvements.. Proposition 1 will not increase current property taxes.

Salt Lake County Proposition 2—Open Space, Natural Habitat, Parks, and Community Trails

This proposition would authorize Salt Lake County to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$48,000,000 for the purpose of financing the acquisition and conservation of open space, natural habitat, and parks and community trails. Proposition 2 would increase property tax by

less than \$10 per year for a \$200,000 home.

Salt Lake County Proposition 3—Sales and Use Tax for Corridor Preservation, Congestion Mitigation, and Expansion of Capacity for Regionally Significant Transportation Facilities

This proposition would authorize Salt Lake County to impose a 0.25% sales and use tax for corridor preservation, congestion mitigation, or to expand capacity for regionally significant transportation facilities.

Marshal's Report

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steps and deck so he could slide down the railings. He was informed that people were paid to remove the snow and that it would be a good idea for him to clean up the mess and leave.

Other duties during this time include:

349 Business and Property

Checks

35 Motorist Violations

11 Watershed Violations

6 Motorist Assists

2 Alarm Responses

5 Agency Assists

61 Forest Service Patrols

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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.

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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 November and December

November

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| 5 | 3 pm | Book signing with the authors of "Me to We"; Our Lady of the Snows; ACE event; free |
| 7 | 7 am-8 pm | General Election; Albion Grill |
| 9 | 10 am | Alta Town Council Meeting; Alta Community Center |
| 14 | 7 pm | Welcome to Winter Slide Show; Our Lady of the Snows; ACE event; free |
| 16 | | Tentative Opening Day for Alta Ski Area; Visit www.alta.com for updates, or call 801.742.3333 |
| 29 | 7:30 pm | Teton Gravity Research movie—"Anomaly"; Our Lady of the Snows; ACE event, \$5.00 admission |

December

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| 1&2 | | Annual Ski Swap; Our Lady of the Snows; ACE event; contact ACE for more information |
| 4 | day | Women's One Day Avalanche Awareness Class; Alta Ski Area; contact ACE for more information |
| 6 | 3:30 pm | Yoga and Nutrition; Our Lady of the Snows; ACE event; free |
| 14 | 10 am | Alta Town Council Meeting; Alta Community Center |
| 17 | 12-4 pm | Holiday Local Arts and Craft Sale; Local artists; Albion Grill; ACE event |

**Please check ACE's website at www.altaarts.org, or call 801.742.0830 for event updates.