# **TOWN OF BRIGHTON ANNUAL REPORT 2021**



### AGREEMENTS AND COLLABORATION

- Entered into an agreement with the US Forest Service to provide \$80,000 toward a Trails Master Plan for trails located within the boundaries of the Town of Brighton (July). Funding will allow the Forest Service to evaluate the current condition of trails and recommend needed maintenance.
- Entered into a Fuels Reduction Agreement with Utah Forests, Fire, and State Lands designed to assist homeowners with Defensible Space(September). Funding from the Town of Brighton will be \$20,000/year for five years. UFA Wildfire Crews will provide individual consultations and labor for the project.

#### **ACTIONS**

- Town Council Meetings were conducted via hybrid Zoom/in-person all year due to emergency proclamation orders to prevent Covid spread.
- Acquired Land Use Authority for the Town of Brighton through the Utah State Legislature.
- Began the Brighton General Plan process (July): Components include Land Use, Housing, Recreation, Transportation, Environment, Economy
- The Brighton Planning Commission was appointed that includes: Ulrich Brunhart, John Carpenter. Donna Conway, Don Despain, Phil Lanouette, Ben Machlis, and Tom Ward. They meet monthly to consider land use issues and the Brighton General Plan process.
- Jane Martain was hired as the Town Emergency Operations Manager. She continues to update the address changes, contacts, and maps that were originally provided by Doug Fry, Volunteer Emergency Coordinator.
- Contracted with One-Call-Now to enable sending mass emergency advisories to all homeowners if needed.
- Implemented a Fire Ban (July-Sept) in response to severe drought conditions.
- The Short Term Rental (STR) Committee passed ordinances that require STRs to be permitted, licensed, and inspected for safety. The Committee recommended elimination of Conditional Use requirement and the requirement that STRs must have fewer than 4 bedrooms. Contracted with *Granicus*, a private company that helps with short term rental enforcement.
- Continued to assemble the Brighton Town Ordinances. Town Attorney, Polly McLean has worked very hard to provide the foundation and updates. The ordinances can be found on the website.
- The Council provided a \$5000 allocation to BCCA for 2021 to help fund the 4<sup>th</sup> of July events. \$1000 of that funding was directed to the Wasatch Graffiti Busters for graffiti cleanup in BCC.
- The Budget was compiled, balanced, and submitted to MSD, including a Capital Improvement Fund. (May, December)
- Produced 12 monthly electronic Newsletters and 3 MSD printed Newsletters that were sent to all homeowners.

### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

- Jane Martain sent out three notices during the summer: July wind event, July road closure for flooding near Moss Ledge, and a wildfire update for the Parley's Fire in August. She also called out the Emergency Teams to distribute Emergency Packets with updated Emergency information and Resident Passes for homeowner access during parking closures.
- Carolyn Fushimi continued to supply free fashionable masks to the entire community.

## SUPPORT FOR TOWN PROJECTS AND CONCERNS

- Supported 4<sup>th</sup> of July Annual Breakfast and Parade, Brighton Days Celebration and Chipper Days.
- Passed a Resolution to support the Ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.
- Passed a Resolution to support UPD's need to offer competitive wages and quality services.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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