
10-16-20 E-NEWS: NATIONAL COMMISSION ON WILDFIRES;
MASK-UP; TIME TO VOTE; CLEAN-UP SURVEY; etc.

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U.S. Senator Mitt Romney is joined on Thursday, October 15, 2020, by Millcreek Mayor Jeff Silvestrini, Jason Curry from the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands, and Utah Lt. Governor Spencer Cox, to announce legislation to establish a new national wildfire commission.



NEWS

Announcements

Planning Commission

Wed., 10/21/20

5 pm, City Hall

3330 S 1300 E

*Limited In-Person
Attendance -
Masks Required*

Neff's Canyon Backdrops Sen. Romney's Unveiling of Plan to Improve National Wildfire Policy

MILLCREEK. Yesterday, the Neff's Canyon trailhead parking lot above Millcreek's Mt. Olympus neighborhood was the site of an announcement by Senator Mitt Romney of legislation to establish a national wildfire

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commission. The commission would conduct a national review of wildfire policy and make recommendations to Congress for forest management tactics and federal spending.

Senator Romney said that the commission would have a broad membership and assured UFA firefighters in attendance that there would be representation by people who had on the ground firefighting experience.

“Wildfires represent an enormous threat to our country and to the people of our country,” Romney stated, adding that “Doing things the way we’ve always been doing them does not make any sense.”

Here are snippets from Mayor Silvestrini's introduction of the event and explanation of how wildfires affect Millcreek:

As you can see, our city's eastern boundary sits on the Urban/Wildland Interface. In fact, here in the Neff's Canyon trailhead parking lot, we are standing just a few hundred feet from the pristine Mount Olympus Wilderness. Not many cities can boast of such proximity to wilderness, but many are located in the interface with wildlands, particularly here in Utah and the west.



This proximity affords our residents, as well as people throughout the Wasatch Front and beyond, a terrific scenic and recreational resource. It's one of the reasons our Millcreek motto is "Connected by Nature." While it presents incredible opportunities, the Urban/Wildland interface can also present horrific danger to life and property from wildfire.

We chose this spot for this event because just weeks ago, we experienced a threatening wildfire just barely above us in the very steep terrain you can see in Neff's Canyon. This is the second wildfire Millcreek experienced this year. It's 2020, right? Beyond the threat of actual fire coming down to reach our Olympus Cove neighborhood, we also have concerns and fears about the aftermath of this fire creating a debris flow risk to this community when snow and rainfall erode the denuded area where the fire destroyed the vegetation which normally stabilizes these steep slopes. While this particular fire has been contained and will be completely extinguished with the snowfall we hope to receive later this year, the risk

of further, more catastrophic fires is real due to our increasingly hot and dry climate. This area is wilderness, and therefore not subject to some forestry management practices which might mitigate the risk of wildland fires. Thus residents of the homes in this area thus must take even more care to establish defensible space to protect their property.



These circumstances all point for the need to re-examine and evaluate how best to control wildland fire risk in the age of a warming climate. As we have witnessed wildland fires rage across the west in the past few years, particularly last summer, it is apparent that we need to study and recalibrate our response. How can we better manage our forests to mitigate wildfire risk in the urban interface? How can we avoid exhaustion of our wildland firefighting resources? In Millcreek, we are fortunate to have the Forest Service and our own Unified Fire Authority who are experts at wildland fire suppression. However, even those resources were stretched to the limit this past summer, here at home and in aid of firefighters in Oregon and California.

It's time to take a look and ensure we are following best practices. It is time to ensure we have the best possible coordination between local, state and federal resources to address this increasing problem. And it's time to review and ensure that our firefighters have the best tools and resources to do their jobs- in equipment, apparatus, air resources and monitoring capabilities.

I am pleased that our state and federal representatives recognize these needs and are prepared to do something about them.

--Mayor Jeff Silvestrini

Under Governor Herbert's new COVID Guidelines, Salt Lake County is HIGH RISK. Let's Change That!

Mask Up

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Painting by [Susie Gordon](#)





TIME TO VOTE!

MILLCREEK. Registered voters in Salt Lake County should have received their ballots in the mail this week. Here are a few suggestions on voting:

1. **Vote early:** Return your ballot by mail or put it in an official drop box – the sooner, the better. The ballot drop box for Millcreek is located at the Unified Police Department Millcreek Precinct at 1580 E 3900 S. The drop box is located around the back of the building. *NOTE: There is not a drop box available at City Hall.*

2. **Ballot not received:** If you have not received your ballot by the end of this week, contact the Salt Lake County Clerk at [385-468-7400](tel:385-468-7400).

3. **Information to reach you:** On the back of your ballot, include your email and cell number. This information is only used if the County Clerk's staff has a question about your signature.

6. **Online voter registration:** The deadline to register to vote using the online voter registration system is **October 23 at 5:00 pm**. After that, registration is available at all early voting locations. You can also register and vote at polling locations on Election Day, but your ballot will be “provisional” and not counted until the next day. Remember to take the required identification.

7. **Voting in person:** Because of the pandemic, election officials are asking voters to use their mail-in ballots whenever possible. If you do plan to vote in person, early voting begins at the Salt Lake County Clerk's office on October 20 and in other Salt Lake County locations on October 26. Check their website for early

4. **No stamps needed:** Mail-in ballots do not require stamps.

5. **Helpful Information:** For Salt Lake County voters, there is helpful information on the County Clerk's Elections website got-vote.org. You can find drop-box locations, judicial performance evaluations, the Voter Information pamphlet, how to register, check, or change your voter registration, and much more. Or contact the County Clerk by email GOT-VOTE@slco.org or phone [385-468-7400](tel:385-468-7400) if you have any questions about voting or your registration. They do respond promptly. Another very good website with voter information is vote.utah.gov.

and election day voting locations and hours.

Some people may need to vote in person if they did not receive their ballots, require assistance due to a disability, need to register to vote late, or have recently moved. Go to your county clerk or the Lt. Governor's websites to determine identification requirements and other important information.

8. **Vote your whole ballot:** Don't stop at the top. Vote in all the races and on all constitutional amendments. [Click here](#) for links to the State's Voter Information Pamphlet and information about the judges listed on your ballot.



2020 Area Clean Up Survey

Did you participate in this year's Area Cleanup Program (Neighborhood Dumpster Program)? If so, the Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District would love for you to take their satisfaction survey.

The survey will be open until 11:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 18th. All responses are 100% anonymous.

Take the Survey [HERE](#)

A "WEEK OF NEEDLES" AT CITY HALL

MILLCREEK. On Tuesday, the



Millcreek Business Council
Emergency Preparedness
Committee hosted a Critical Need
Blood Drive with the Red Cross. The
goal was to get 19-20 units of
blood...and they received a total of
30 units! The Red Cross had a
constant stream of people ready to
donate, and even had to turn people
away due to the overwhelming
response. We are so grateful to the
numerous people who showed up to
help those in need. Thank you for
your donation!

Then on Wednesday, City Hall employees and their families received their flu shots. With the overlap of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic and flu season, it's important now more than ever to receive your flu shot. Doing so protects yourself, your loved ones, and those most vulnerable in our society.

Don't know where to get a flu shot? Use the CDC's [VaccineFinder tool](#) to find locations near you offering flu shots and all other vaccinations!



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Fall Leaf Collection Is In Full Swing

Keep our storm drains clean
and support
composting efforts.



Drop off locations are located at Big Cottonwood Park, 4400 S 1300 E (N side only) and Canyon Rim Park, 3100 E 3100 S. Leaf bags are available at: Millcreek City Hall, 3330 S 1300 E; Millcreek Activity Center, 4405 S 1025 E; Mt Olympus Senior Center, 1635 E Murray-Holladay Rd; Millcreek Community Center, 2266 Evergreen Ave (1 roll of 10 bags per household)

Thanks to our partners at the [Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District](#) for providing this valuable service.



Meetings with the Mayor

Fridays from **2-4pm** have been set aside for citizens to meet with Mayor Silvestrini (socially distanced and masked, of course). Please call [801-214-2700](tel:801-214-2700) to schedule a slot.

Mayor Silvestrini got his flu shot on Wednesday. Have you gotten yours? Use the CDC's [VaccineFinder tool](#) to find locations near you offering flu shots and all other vaccinations.

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Millcreek Planning Commission Meeting Agenda October 21, 2020

Public Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of Millcreek will assemble in a regular public meeting on Wednesday, **21 October 2020** at City Hall, 3330 S. 1300 E., Millcreek, Utah 84106, commencing at **5:00 p.m.** Please see additional note below.*

Documents:

[ITEM 1.1 CU-20-003 STAFF REPORT.PDF](#)
[ITEM 1.2 CU-20-005 STAFF REPORT.PDF](#)
[ITEM 1.3 CU-20-004 STAFF REPORT.PDF](#)
[ITEM 1.4 ZT-20-007 STAFF REPORT.PDF](#)
[ITEM 2.1 PC 9-16-20 DRAFT MINUTES.PDF](#)

5:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

1. Public Hearings

1.1 Consideration of CU-20-003, Modification of CU-20-001 for a Mixed Use Condominium Development Location: 3055-3061 S. Richmond St. Applicant: Han Sol Planner: Erin O’Kelley

1.2 Consideration of CU-20-005, Conditional Use Permit for 6 Attached Single-Family Dwellings in an R-1-3 Zone Location: 3999 S. 500 E./534 E. Delno Drive Applicant: Christopher Lee Planner: Erin O’Kelley

1.3 Consideration of CU-20-004, Conditional Use Permit for a Financial Institution with a Drive-Through Location: 784 E. 4500 S. Applicant: Cyprus Credit Union Planner: Samah Safiullah

1.4 Consideration of ZT-20-007, Amendments to Chapters 19.04 and 19.60 of the Millcreek Code Pertaining to Hotels and Motels Planner: Samah Safiullah

2. Business Meeting

- 2.1 Approval of September 16, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 2.2 Updates from the Planning and Zoning Director
- 2.3 Discussion on RM and Planned Unit Development (PUD) Updates

3. Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

- City Council Mtg., 10/26/20, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall
- Mt. Olympus Community Council Mtg., 11/3/20, 6:00 p.m. TBD
- Millcreek Community Council Mtg., 11/3/20, 6:30 p.m. TBD
- Canyon Rim Citizens Association Mtg., 11/4/20, 7:00 p.m. TBD
- East Mill Creek Community Council Mtg., 11/5/20, 6:30 p.m. TBD
- City Council Mtg., 11/9/20, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall
- Planning Commission Mtg., 11/18/20, 5:00 p.m. at City Hall

4. Adjournment

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, Millcreek will make reasonable accommodation for participation in the meeting. Individuals may request assistance by contacting the ADA Coordinator, 801-214-2751 or khansen@millcreek.us, at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

The Planning Commission public meeting is a public forum where the Planning Commission receives comment from applicants, the public, applicable agencies and staff regarding land use applications and other items on the Commission’s agenda. In addition, it is where the Planning Commission takes action on these items. Actions may include: approval, approval with conditions, denial of legislative items, continuance, or recommendation to other bodies as applicable.

THE UNDERSIGNED DULY APPOINTED CITY RECORDER FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF MILLCREEK HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT A COPY OF THE FOREGOING NOTICE WAS EMAILED OR POSTED TO: City Offices; City Website <https://millcreek.us>; Utah Public Notice Website <https://pmn.utah.gov>; those listed on the agenda.

DATE: October 15, 2020

CITY RECORDER: Elyse Sullivan

Agenda items may be moved in order, sequence, and time to meet the needs of the Planning Commission.

**The meeting will be conducted electronically per Millcreek State of Local Emergency Directive No. 2 of 2020 and live streamed via the City’s website at: <https://millcreek.us/373/Meeting-Live-Stream>. Public comment can be submitted before or during the meeting via the City’s website at: <https://millcreek.us/FormCenter/Contact-Us-5/Public-Comments-61>.*

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