



NOVEMBER 2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS



Congratulations to Brighton's newly elected officials. Mayor Dan Knopp and Council Members Carolyn Keigley and Keith Zuspan were each elected to 4-year terms. Thanks also for the enthusiasm of Eli Lovett who ran on a platform of building a strong community...something we can all endorse. She will be a positive force for Brighton going forward.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Brighton Girls Camp is 100 years old this year! Due to the pandemic, camp officials elected to kick up their heels to celebrate in 2022. Festivities will take place on August 20, 2022 from 8am-5pm, when the Camp will host a Centennial Celebration, including tours, hikes, service, projects, and other events. Stay tuned for more details through the year! Congratulations all around! (Photo courtesy of Utah Historical Society)



OLD FIRE STATION SURVEY

Recently the Town of Brighton acquired a parcel of land on the Brighton Loop that's occupied by the trash compactor and an old metal building that used to be the canyon's volunteer fire station. If you would like to send comments as to how that parcel could be used, here's your chance. Just click here: [Old Fire Station Building and Compactor Building Short Survey \(google.com\)](#) The comment deadline is December 7, 2021.



SHORT TERM RENTALS IN BRIGHTON

In April of 2021, the Brighton Town Council passed an ordinance regulating short term rentals. A short term rental is defined as “any dwelling or condominium or portion thereof that is available for use or is actually used for accommodations or lodging of guests for a period of less than thirty consecutive days, wherein guests pay a fee or other compensation for said use.”

This definition and other regulations for short term rentals can be found at:

https://brighton.municipalcodeonline.com/book?type=ordinances#name=5.19_SHORT-TERM_RENTALS.

The majority of the regulations were already in place under the Salt Lake County Code. However, the Town added regulations to help ensure that short term rentals will be good neighbors, and also made it an easier process to be licensed. The underlying requirements of where short term rentals can occur are still in place.

Brighton Town Code requires that the following conditions be met before a home may be used as a short term rental:

- Sewer connection and year-round culinary water (septic tanks/fields, or holding tanks are not allowed);
- Land Use Permit (“FCOZ permitted use”);
- Business license;
- Two off street, year-round vehicle parking spaces, plus one for each bedroom over two bedrooms;
- Inspection and compliance with building and fire codes including adequate egress from bedrooms; re-inspection every three years;
- Compliance with short term rental regulations such as minimum of 2 nights duration of rental, no more than 15 occupants, restrictions on noise, property cleaning, snow removal, prohibition of holding special events including weddings, etc.
- No short term rentals are permitted in an accessory dwelling unit.

For more information, the regulations are listed in the Town Code in the link above, or on the Town website at: <https://www.brighton.utah.gov/administration/page/short-term-rentals>.

The Town’s webpage also provides helpful tips for property owners about the short term rental regulations and explains the process to obtain a Land Use Permit and Business License.

The goal of the Short Term Rental Ordinance is to allow property owners, residents, and visitors to enjoy the wonderful Town of Brighton and be good neighbors. Please help us in meeting this goal and feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.



BRIGHTON EMERGENCY OPS NOVEMBER UPDATE

We count on electricity for heat, food, and medical needs. Many gas appliances even need electricity to run. A power outage is an emergency that often follows another emergency—like a hurricane, tornado, or winter storm. That makes it even more important to be prepared. Here are 12 ideas.

1. PUT TOGETHER A POWER OUTAGE EMERGENCY KIT

When the lights go out, the last thing you want is to be scrambling for supplies. While you do have power, assemble everything you might need in one container. Everyone in the house should know where it is, so the person nearest to it can retrieve it and be in a better position to safely help others.

2. BUY AN EMERGENCY RADIO

There are excellent options for emergency weather radios. Many operate with solar power or with a hand crank. What's great is they won't drain your batteries or require a generator to operate. Invest in one and keep it in your power outage emergency box. They are portable so you can take it with you should you ever need to evacuate along with a [Top 5 Weather Emergency Radio](#).

3. HAVE FLASHLIGHTS AND BATTERIES FOR EVERYONE

There are excellent choices available that you will likely find many uses for in your everyday life, not just emergencies. Have a flashlight for every member of your family. It may be more than you need, but each person being able to hold on to their own could make a difference in their feeling of safety. Be sure to include several packages of the right kinds of batteries. You may also consider a solar lantern to brighten up your evening.

4. BE ABLE TO PURIFY WATER

There are so many options available now to purify water. Even if you have enough water in storage, it's a good idea to purchase a LifeStraw or another way, such as tablets.

5. BUY A FOOD THERMOMETER

A food thermometer will allow you to test the internal temperature of any perishable food that was in your fridge or freezer during an outage. If you're unsure if something is still safe to eat, the [internal temperature](#) will let you know.

6. STOCK UP ON NON-PERISHABLE FOOD AND WATER

The moment you hear a big storm could be heading for your area you should check on your supply of bottled water and non-perishable foods. Avoid the crowded stores and empty shelves by taking the forecasts seriously and shop early. A good rule of thumb is one gallon of water per person per day.

7. BE PREPARED TO COOK

Wouldn't it be great to be able to heat up some of those canned food items you bought? You can enjoy warm foods during a power outage with a solar oven or rocket stove.

8. BUY A PORTABLE GENERATOR

Having a backup power source is a smart investment. Purchasing a [portable generator](#) will allow you to keep electronics running even after you lose your main power sources. Portable generators today are quieter and lighter so that you can use them camping and for other uses too. In the event that an extreme power outage does occur, it will become your most valuable possession.

9. GET TOGETHER AND STAY TOGETHER

If at all possible gather together in one room, including pets. This will make it easier to share the supplies, like water and lights. If things suddenly get worse, and you need to evacuate, you'll be in the best position to do so because you'll have everyone accounted for.

10. HAVE ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE

During any power outage, the first concern is for everyone's safety. Once that is secured, boredom can quickly set in and make everyone feel anxious. Gather some word games and puzzles or books and magazines. Especially if you have younger kids, keeping everyone occupied will distract them.

[10 Things to Do to Prepare for a Power Outage - Rural Living ...](#)

<https://rurallivingtoday.com>

11. CANYON ROAD INFORMATION

Join UDOT's Twitter feed about up-to-the-minute canyon road conditions. Here's how to join:
Google: [udot cottonwood canyons twitter](#) Click: [Sign Up](#) [Create your account](#)

12. RESIDENT PASS REMINDER

The yellow Resident Passes should be kept in your glove compartment, otherwise they are an invitation for a vehicle break-in. They must be presented if there is a need to show proof of residence when the canyon is closed due to parking restrictions. This pass will allow the holder to park only on their property. It will not help if there is a road closure for an emergency situation or allow a driver to jump a line or disregard traffic laws.

And finally, please make sure we have your most up to date contact information by emailing Jane Martain: janemartain@brighton.utah.gov.

UDOT STICKER PROGRAM COMING BACK SOON



UDOT will issue stickers to residents and employees again this year to allow UPD officers to know at a glance if a vehicle has the 3-Peaks Snow Tires. The original Sticker Day had to be cancelled due to supply-chain issues with the stickers. But stay tuned for more information later this month.

Brighton is Grateful for YOU!



MEETINGS

BRIGHTON TOWN COUNCIL | November 9 | 6:30 pm | Zoom
<https://www.brighton.utah.gov/meetings>

BCCA MEETING | November 8 | 7:00 pm | Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508034065> Meeting ID: 865 0803 4065

BRIGHTON INSTITUTE MEETINGS | Postponed until 2022 |

EVENTS

SOLITUDE OPEN FOR WINTER SEASON! | November 19 | Pray for Big Snow!
BRIGHTON OPEN FOR WINTER SEASON ! | TBA | Prepare to be Surprised!
SPRUCES OPEN FOR WINTER SEASON! | TBA | X-Country - snowshoe heaven!
BEAVER DAM PROJECT | Postponed until Spring 2022 | Snow too deep
SNOW | TBD | The predicted La Niña-year could mean anything for BCC!