



BCCA May Meeting

Apologies for this long message, but it will have to serve as our May BCCA Meeting since the Fire Station is still closed. Please let me know if you have questions or comments to share. No apologies, however, for the huge amount of work, spirit, and spunk that is being done by our community and for our community...just see below:

UPD Update from Lee Arnold.

Snowmobiles in Brighton: Snowmobiles have been a problem this year I would assume it was because the resorts closed early this year due to the Pandemic. Several citation and warning were given for non-registered or expired registrations. For everyone's information all OHV (Off Highway Vehicles) have to be properly registered to transport anywhere, even if it's on a trailer or in the back of your vehicle (41-22-3). You cannot ride a snowmobile onto USFS land. Brighton is also a Watershed Area. The only area that can be used for OHV travel is the Guard Road, and vehicles must remain on the road until they cross the county line. This has been a problem with some of the residents of Brighton and Cardiff.

Sexual Assault suspect: As all of you are aware we had a suspect that was sexually assaulting females near Cardiff and Silver Lake. This suspect lived in Tooele he has been arrested and charged. Please be aware we had another one in Little Cottonwood Canyon on the 29th of April (Not the same suspect) This suspect is still at large, if you see anything suspicious please call UPD at 801-743-7000. Keep yourself and your neighbors safe. If you see it, report it.

Traffic: There has been a lot of traffic so far this year, again due to the Pandemic. Weekends are of course the busiest. This past weekend from Friday afternoon to Sunday night we had almost 12,000 vehicles go up Big Cottonwood Canyon. Along with this come motorcycles, car clubs, and everything associated with them. We had one car club with over 100 vehicles come to Brighton. UPD responded to this, citations were given to those who were in violation.

Flooding? Winter snowmelt is here. Beware of swift water, and please notify Public Works if you have flooding issues. They can help with sandbags and equipment. The emergency line is 385-468-6600. Take a look at Real Time Stream Flows. You'll be impressed with Big Cottonwood Creek! <https://rain-flow.slco.org/home.php>

COVID-19 Updates

As of May 1, Utah is now in the orange (stabilization) phase according to Utah Leads Together. The State website has created [a user-friendly page](#) about the orange recommendations.

New Trash App. Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District (WFWRD) has launched a free mobile app. It can be found by searching for "Wasatch Front Waste" in the App store. It gives info about what things can and cannot be recycled. Unfortunately the town of Brighton is not in the Scheduling section of the App. (Our pick-up days for both recycle and waste are Tuesdays and Fridays) We have asked to be included, but we're not there yet. Get the App for free. Answer all your trash questions!

Citizen Problem Report. The MSD has created a Citizen Problem Report dashboard for reporting problems with Code Enforcement, Trash Collection, Non-Emergency Law Enforcement problems, Land Use problems, Public Works problems, etc. We've been getting favorable responses from people who have used it. Responses can be anonymous. Here's the link:
<https://slco.maps.arcgis.com/apps/CrowdsourcingReporter/index.html?appid=ee9f5d8e172640a7957cb0d4dc3dc3a1>

Wasatch Canyons General Plan. The Salt Lake County Council set May 19, 2020 at 4 pm for the Wasatch Canyons General Plan Public Hearing (electronic/online). Please see the link below for the current plan and links for electronic participation in the meeting. The Big Cottonwood Canyon Plan is on pages 86-110. Input and ideas from the Town of Brighton and BCCA can be seen throughout the plan. Thanks to each of you for your comments and support!
file:///D:/Users/Owner/Downloads/Wasatch%20Canyons%20Public%20Hearing%20Flyer_01.pdf

Brighton Institute Update. Due to the corona meeting crush this season, BI has had to postpone scheduled meetings indefinitely, including the Sunshine Yoga, Sunday Concerts, and the always interesting Biceps Lecture Series. They are on hold, but will spring back to life when it's safe to meet.

Meanwhile, several members have been working from home to keep our mission alive. Robert and Virginia Baird have written an application for a ZAP grant to fund a summer music concert by Clive Romney in 2021. Brooke Derr and Jolene Despain have written an application to catalogue our collection of historical material. Please let us know if you have any family historical material that you would like to be included with the Big Cottonwood Canyon Collection. On another project, Carolyn Keigley has organized a group of artists who will create art work for our Brighton Days Celebration in 2021.

BI may be an undercover operation for now, but it will return to a lively schedule by next year. Keep your ideas coming. Let them know what you would like to hear about Big Cottonwood and beyond.

Trails Committee Update.

Cardiff Trail. A bridge and boardwalk leading from the Cardiff parking lot/restroom area to the beginning of the new Donut Falls Trailhead will be installed this year. Project partners are Salt Lake County and US Forest Service who have been working on ways to direct visitors away from Cardiff community's overcrowded and dangerous access road.

Willow Heights Trail Reroute. Permits are being required for Grading, SWIPP (Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan), and FCOZ, which are very costly and time consuming. If not completed this year, the matching TRCC (Tourism Recreation Culture Convention) funding that was awarded last year will lapse. We urge the County to streamline the process and reduce the cost, otherwise this project cannot be accomplished.

Spruces Historic Winter Trail. The USFS is asking for BCCA and Town of Brighton support for the Spruces Winter Trail project. It will provide access for snowshoeing and cross country activities in Spruces Campground, and open up a new parking area within the campground area. It would be great to support this trail because it will honor the historic significance of Spruces Campground as a tree nursery (1905-1920), Community Camp (1921-1939), and a CCC Project area (1930's). Signage will be placed along the trail to encourage appreciation for Spruces' history.

CWC Update. John Knoblock helped win a \$20,000 award from the CWC to install 2 wooden bridges on each of the new switchbacks east of Reynolds Peak on the Desolation Trail. It was part of a total \$58,680 awarded by the CWC for short term projects.

It was a very busy month of grant writing. Although only six projects won, 35 projects were submitted, including the following applications from John Knoblock and BCCA that didn't win, but could be recycled and submitted later:

1. Interpretive Signage at Cardiff, Mill B, and Spruces
2. Traffic Safety Improvement at the Notch
3. Willow Heights Trailhead Parking Improvements
4. Portable Traffic Sign
5. Desolation Trail Maintenance from Circle Awl to Millcreek Dog Lake
6. Butler Fork Trailhead Bridge
7. Solitude to Redman Wetland Bridge
8. Brighton to Guardsman Trail Design
9. Silver Lake Boardwalk Replacement
10. Spruces Historic Ski Trail

Brighton Resort Update from Randy Doyle. A good portion of our crew has been furloughed and we probably won't be bringing them back until July. We had anticipated opening for a few weekends this spring, but as you can imagine there are many challenges to overcome and I am thinking that this may not happen.

The one piece of good news to come out of this is that with the early closure we have been able to devote a great deal of time to removing trees either killed or infected by BWA (Balsam Wooley Adelgid). Under normal circumstances we would not have the snow to get where the trees are.

There has been a fair amount of traffic on the mountain, fortunately there have been no injuries that I know about and no damage has been done to the facilities. As you know we have the Milly bathrooms open and thankfully the public has been respectful of them. There have been a few snowmobilers around, some property owners, some have come over from other canyons, but again no damage has been done and no injuries.

Currently we are planning to open the Brighton Store in late June. A number of weddings are booked for the summer, but we will see if they will be able to be held or not.

Solitude Mountain Resort Update from Kim Mayhew. Things are very quiet around the resort. We have had to put a lot of our dedicated year round crew on zero hours and they are collecting unemployment until such time as they are needed back at the resort. The skeleton crew still working is either working from home or on a rotating on-site schedule. We don't anticipate any operations at the resort through May and June as all events and weddings have either been postponed or cancelled.

We are looking at what we might be able to do operationally for the rest of the summer but due to the unknowns of the virus and the guidelines in place in this Stabilization period, we are unsure that we will have any operations this summer.

We had a lot of uphill traffic on the mountain in late March and early April despite the signs that indicated that we were closed to uphill traffic but fortunately there were no incidents. Weekends we get

a few people roaming around but not enough to raise an alarm. We believe as the weather warms and the snow melts, we'll begin to see people out and around.

We are all staying safe and following good protocols on keeping safe throughout this issue.

Brighton Emergency Operations Committee Update by Doug Fry. The BEOC is asking residents to report infrastructure problems that need repair, such as damaged street signs, trees on power and telephone lines, damaged CenturyLink infrastructure, or other public works infrastructure issues. Contact Doug Fry: (fryslc@comcast.net)

Prior to the Coronavirus Quarantine Shutdown ("CQS"), efforts were underway to pass off the oversight of our Emergency Preparedness Committee from the BCCA to the Town of Brighton. Town Council Member, Jeff Bossard, was appointed by Major Dan Knopp to oversee this transition. While our Committee was tying up some loose ends (updated community maps and Reporting Forms, etc.) to facilitate this transfer to the Town, we learned that the Municipal Services District ("MSD") was restructuring the Emergency Preparedness Plan ("EPP") for Salt Lake County. Some of the early documents that we received from the MSD demonstrated significant organizational changes from the County's prior plans. Depending on when the "new normal" returns, the MSD will submit the new EPP to the MSD Board for review and adoption. We are hopeful that the MSD will conduct a training/seminar session so that leaders from communities impacted by this new EPP can be updated.

We want to sincerely thank everyone in our communities who have helped their neighbors during this CQS. It is our community involvement that makes living in our Big Cottonwood Canyon communities so special.

Early Chipper Days begin mid July (TBD) for anyone with a stack of branches ready to go.

General Chipper Days begin Tuesday, September 8.

Please let me know the following info so UFA crews won't miss you. (barbaracameron@hotmail.com)

We need your name, cabin address, phone, hours spent

Stack branches near the driveway or roadway with large ends toward the front, small ends to the back. It will make it safer for chipper crews to feed slash into the chipper. Remember that Rocky Mountain Power is planning a major clean-up around their installations this summer. Be ready to patiently help their crews do a good job in our residential areas.

Food Basket at the Silver Fork Lodge. In the two weeks that the food collection bin has been at the Silver Fork Lodge, 26 items of food have been donated. And it looks like some food has been taken, which is helping someone in need. Let's double that this week! We have an awesome community here of caring folks - let's show it by giving a HUGE supply of food to the Utah Food Bank. If you have something to donate (all non-perishables please!) bring it by the bin in front of the Lodge. If you need something in the basket, it's yours to take! Food Basket Hours: Friday-Sunday 8 am – 4 pm.

Groceries and Dining. Silver Fork Lodge has a grocery and take-out service every Friday through Sunday from 8 am – 4 pm. They also offer socially distanced in-lodge dining. Visit them online to check out the menu and grocery selection: www.silverforklodge.com

Census Update. There's still time to respond to the 2020 Census if you haven't already.

Go to: www.census.gov

Over the next three months, the U.S. Census Bureau will be rolling out a survey called the "Household Pulse Survey" to around 14 million people try to measure how the COVID-19 pandemic is affecting life for households in the U.S. The Census Bureau believes this data will be crucial in informing policymakers on the pandemic's impact on employment, education, childcare, health, food, and housing security. [Read more](#). Please note:

- **Household Pulse Survey Timing:** The Census Bureau is planning to push out a link to an online form via email and text messages.
- **Household Pulse Survey Questions** will include: Are you getting enough food to eat? How often have you been bothered by feeling depressed or hopeless? Did you wait to see a doctor because of the pandemic? How many hours are you spending teaching any children in your home?
- **Household Pulse Survey Confidentiality:** The survey is voluntary and will take about 20 minutes to complete. Your responses will be confidential and protected by Title 13. Aggregated results of the new household survey are also set to be published weekly on the bureau's website.
- **Please note that this survey is NOT the 2020 Census, the mandatory U.S. decennial census. Please remind communities that the 2020 Census is underway and they can respond online, by phone, or by mail. See more at www.2020census.gov.**

Brighton Circle Trash Collection. Please remember that the proper place to dispose of refuse in Brighton is at the Trash Compactor Building inside the current dumpster. Garbage is being left around the dumpster because it's too heavy to lift into the dumpster. There will be a new compactor unit in mid-June, but meanwhile users should make sure all garbage ends up in the dumpster and not on the ground (even those treasures they are absolutely sure someone will want). Also please be considerate...the Brighton Store trash cans are not designed for residential refuse.

Veggie Opportunity. Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) comes to Brighton! This spring *Keep It Real Vegetables* (<https://keepitrealignvegetables.weebly.com/>) will offer weekly produce bags for pickup at two locations: Silver Fork and Forest Glen. Produce bags will be \$15 a week for 7 weeks, coming to \$105 total. The items in the bag will vary each week, and may include spring salad mix, arugula, radishes, kale, chard, herbs, sorrel (lemon spinach), rhubarb, carrots, and garlic. If it seems like too much, consider splitting a CSA bag with someone.

Reply to this email (hollydayray@gmail.com) and Holly will mark you down for a share. Cash, check, credit card or Venmo are all fine, and it would be easiest if the total is paid up front on the first week of deliveries.

They practice ecological no-till agriculture and grow all vegetables here in Salt Lake City using strictly organic methods. Please feel free to contact them at any point with questions or thoughts, and if you know of anyone else who might like to participate, please have them email for more info.

MSD Newsletter. The Greater Salt Lake Municipal Service District (MSD) has started a newsletter focused on the five Metro Townships (Copperton, Emigration, Kearns, Magna, and White City), Brighton, and unincorporated SLCounty.

Here's a link to the May issue (<https://mailchi.mp/9a9ee591e987/municipal-services-district-april-newsletter-6352994>).

And here's a link to subscribe (<http://eepurl.com/g2foDj>).

Creative Opportunity. Heidi Van Ert has some wonderful wildflower coloring books available if you need a reminder of summer. They are her original line drawings of local wildflowers, ready to be brought to life with your own colors. Cost is \$10. She also has a larger coloring book for \$20. Please let me know (barbaracameron@hotmail.com) if you would like to get a book via US Mail.

Finally, thanks to each of you for your courage in these complex times. A lot of good news is sprinkled in the daily reports with research, medicine, and supply chains that are responding to quickly changing needs. Brighton has proved to be a resourceful, active community with the endurance and character to survive these challenging times.

Stay Strong, Stay Creative, Stay Bright-on!

Barbara