

2022 February Employee of the Month

Jon Lundell is our February 2022 Employee of the Month. He is being recognized for the exceptional work he does as our Santaquin City Engineer as he leads the city's Engineering Department.

Jon grew up just north of Santaquin near the orchards. Through those years, he gained a valuable work ethic that continues to serve him well today. That same work ethic also serves our city well. Jon graduated from Payson High School and received his bachelor's degree in 2011 from Utah State University (Go Aggies!!). He started working with Santaquin City in 2015 as a Planning Technician and Engineer in Training. In 2018 he acquired his PE (Professional Engineer) license, became the City Engineer, and then in December 2019 was promoted to the Engineering Director.

During his seven years with the city, Jon's responsibilities have included development reviews and project management. He chairs our development review committee (DRC), conducts walkthroughs and inspections on city and development projects, and so much more. When asked why he values his job, he stated, "I enjoy solving problems and seeing things be built. I like the challenge of creating a vision."

Jon has been married to his wife Nicole for sixteen and one-half years. They have lived in Genola for about six and one-half years. Jon & Nicole have four beautiful children ages five to eleven.

Nicole shared with us that, "He really enjoys doing anything outdoors, camping, horseback riding, hiking, etc. He loves to travel and will take us to our Disney destinations. He is very talented at being able to fix or build anything." Nicole also let us know that Jon does not really have hobbies because "...he doesn't really get time for that between my to-do-list and four kids."

Jon is a talented professional. He is very pleasant to work with and is respectful of everyone he interacts with. He treats residents, city staff, contractors, and developers, as well as property owners with the utmost respect and attention. Jon sets a great example for other city staff on how to work fairly with those that we interact with. When difficult situations arise, Jon works diligently to come to meaningful solutions that are in the best interest of our residents and our city.

Jon works well with other city directors and their departments as he helps to make our city the very best that it can be. With the significant growth that the city has experienced, Jon's workload is always busy, but he is able to keep up with all that is going on in the city as it relates to engineering and our existing and future public facilities. Jon works very well with the Public Works Department because he understands that all he oversees the creation of will, someday, be maintained and operated by our public works professionals.

Jon's professionalism along with his wide array of skills allow him to accomplish everything he sets his mind to. He is very smart and knowledgeable in all aspects of engineering with the designing and creation of the public infrastructure he works with each day.

Jon is such a valuable asset for the city as our Engineering Director and we look forward to having him on our team for many more years to come.

Thank you, Jon, for all the great work you do for our residents!