



## HOWELL TOWN NEWSLETTER

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#### Upcoming Events:

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| Nov 5 <sup>th</sup>  |           | BE SURE TO VOTE  |
| Nov 12 <sup>th</sup> | 6:00 p.m. | Public Hearing - Amending Town's Subdivision Ordinance           |
| Nov 12 <sup>th</sup> | 6:30 p.m. | Planning Commission Meeting                                      |
| Nov 12 <sup>th</sup> | 7:00 p.m. | Town Council Meeting   |
| Nov 19 <sup>th</sup> | 7:00 p.m. | Community Development Block Grant 1 <sup>st</sup> Public Hearing |
| Nov 28 <sup>th</sup> |           | HAPPY THANKSGIVING   |

**NOTE: The Community Center is scheduled for November 28<sup>th</sup>.**

#### There will be two public hearings this month.

The first one will be held by the Planning Commission on November 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. to inform town residents about amending the town's subdivision ordinance which is required by the State Legislature.

The second one will be held by the Town Council on November 19, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. to get input from town residents for projects that the town can apply for a CDBG - Community Development Block Grant.

#### More from the October Town Council Meeting

Sgt. Shane Braegger, Box Elder County Sheriff's Office, was not able to be present. He did email the following incident report:

Agency Assistance 1, All Animal Complaints 1, Citizen Assist 2, Community Policing 1, Death Investigation 1, Extra Patrols 2, Assist Fire Department 1, Illegal Burning 1, Juvenile Problem not Runaway 1, Motorist Assist 1, Civil, Subpoena, Summons, etc. 1, Traffic Accident no injuries 1, Suspicious Circumstance 1, Traffic Hazard 1, Trespassing 1. Total incidents for this location: 17.

#### Shelly Logan, Town Treasurer- Financial Reports

Shelly gave her monthly financial report. There are no budgets concerns.

#### Ratify approval Justin Topham application for a water hook up.

On September 16, 2024, council members were contacted by telephone, and in person visits to approve a water connection for Justin Topham. Mayor Hawkes asked the council members to ratify this action. This was done by motion.

#### Council Member Rex Nessen: Emergency Preparedness

Council Member Nessen reviewed a checklist from the American Red Cross that would help town residents get prepared for an emergency. With the disasters happening in the country, we need to be prepared when one occurs in our area.

#### Cemetery Rates for Opening and Closing Graves

Clerk Leon Kotter wanted to know if the rate of \$600.00 to open and close graves applied to non-residents also. The council stated that it did. It was not known for sure if the funeral home was aware of this fee. Leon was instructed to send a letter to Rudd's Funeral home letting them know what we charge.

#### Concerns about the power lines in the valley with the irrigation pivots being installed.

Mayor Hawkes stated that the biggest percentage of the power line in the valley are the original lines that were installed in 1947. He was concerned with the irrigation pivots that are installed if the line would manage the load. There

have been reports of electric appliance motors burning out.

Mayor Hawkes is to contact the Farm Service Agency (FSA) who approves these pivots. Council Member Nessen is going to contact Rocky Mountain Power.

#### Mayor Hawkes: BRAG Grant

Mayor Hawkes reported he attended a Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) meeting about applying for a grant. We would like to put a new roof on the community center. He said that since we have the contract post office and town offices in the building it would not qualify. We need to hold a public hearing to get input from the town residents as what projects they would like the town to apply for. It was decided to hold a public hearing on November 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

#### Mayor, Council Member and Clerk Reports

Mayor Brad Hawkes:

- The Planning Commission needs to hold a public hearing on the subdivision amendment.
- We have had problems with our water lines being broken by the company installing the fiber optics conduit.

Council Member Rex Nessen:

- 18000 West south of 12800 N (road to Munks) will be closed for 2 or 3 days to install culverts.(Note: This project is completed).

Council Member Josh Anderson:

- Carpets in the Community Center need cleaning. It would be done after November 2, 2024. It would cost \$1,000.00. The Boosters would pay half. He was given the okay to have it done.

#### NOVEMBER UTAH TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. Two mining towns built by the Utah Copper Company were named for what U.S. presidents?
2. What musical instrument did Thomas Giles, a blind man from Wales, earn his living playing in pioneer Utah?
3. What was Utah's first federal reclamation project?
4. J. Cecil Alter, founding editor in 1928 of the *Utah Historical Quarterly*. Held what federal position in Salt Lake City for many years?

5. In what canyon are the Brighten and Solitude ski resorts?
6. In what year did state governors first meet, in Utah, to discuss conservation of natural resources?

#### QUOTES

- Other things may change us, but we start and end with the family." - Anthony Brandt
- The family is the first essential cell of human society." - Pope John XXIII
- Family is a life jacket in the stormy sea of life." - J.K. Rowling
- We think too much and feel too little. More than machinery, we need humanity. More than cleverness, we need kindness and gentleness." Charlie Chaplin
- I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou
- You can accomplish by kindness what you cannot by force." Publilius Syrus
- I would rather make mistakes in kindness and compassion than work miracles in unkindness and hardness." Mother Teresa

#### Answers to November's Utah Trivia Questions

1. Garfield (James A) and Arthur (Chester A)
2. Harp
3. Strawberry Valley project, completed in 1922
4. Chief of the National Weather Service region office.
5. Big Cottonwood
6. 1908