

## HOWELL TOWN CORPORATION

Minutes of the Howell Town Council Meeting held December 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sgt. Rocky D. Payne Memorial Center.

Present:	Brad Hawkes	Mayor
	Rex Nessen	Council Member via telephone
	Josh Anderson	Council Member
	Craig Hawkes	Council Member
	Mark Sorensen	Council Member

Others Present:	H. Leon Kotter	Town Clerk
	Shelly Logan	Town Treasurer

Call to Order: Mayor Brad Hawkes

Welcome, roll call, prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, Approve the Agenda.

Mayor Hawkes welcomed everyone to the Howell Town Council Meeting.

Prayer: Council Member Josh Anderson

Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Mayor Hawkes

Approve the agenda:

MOTION Council Member Mark Sorensen moved to approve December 10, 2024, Howell Town Council meeting agenda. Council Member Craig Hawkes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve minutes of the Howell Town Council Meeting.

MOTION Council Member Craig Hawkes moved to approve the minutes of November 12, 2024, Howell Town Council Meeting. Council Member Mark Sorensen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Follow up to the minutes.

None

Box Elder County Sheriff's Office

None

MOTION Council Member Craig Hawkes moved to close Town Council meeting and go into a public hearing on Ordinance 2024-01 - Amending Howell Town's subdivision ordinance – Chapter 16. Council Member Josh Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There were no town residents present. There was no discussion on the ordinance.

MOTION Mayor Brad Hawkes moved to close the public hearing and to return to the Town Council regular meeting. Council Member Mark Sorensen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Shelly Logan, Town Treasurer– Financial Reports

Shelly gave her monthly financial report. There are no issues with the budget.

Ordinance 2024-01 Amending Howell Town’s Subdivision Ordinance – Chapter 16

There was not any discussion on the ordinance.

MOTION Council Member Mark Sorensen moved to adopt Ordinance 2024-01 – Amending Howell Town’s Chapter 16 – Subdivision Ordinance. Council Member Josh Anderson seconded the motion.

Council Members Voting “Yes”

Brad Hawkes  
Rex Nessen  
Josh Anderson  
Craig Hawkes  
Mark Sorensen

Council Members Voting “No”

None

Council Members Not Present

None

The motion passed.

Nolan Fonnesbeck: Water Connection

Nolan Fonnesbeck did not come to the council meeting.

Results of CDBG 1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing

Mayor Hawkes reported that no one came to the public hearing. A bid proposal has been sent to the Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) to be reviewed.

Schedule Howell Town Council and others dinner in January

Mayor Hawkes: We need to set a date and time for the annual Town Council and Planning Commission and partners dinner. January 17, 2025, was selected at 6:30 p.m. here at the Community Center. Council Member Josh Anderson was put in charge to make the arrangements.

Resolution R24-06: Amending Compensation for Snow Removal

Before reviewing Resolution R24-06 Mayor Hawkes gave Justin Douglas time to present information on what Box Elder County would charge for snow removal.

Box Elder County would provide either a one-ton truck with an eight-foot blade or a ten-wheeler with blade. The cost for a ten-wheeler and driver is \$113.00 per hour. The cost for a one-ton truck and driver is \$83.00 per hour. If salt is needed it is \$75.00 per ton. Salt is not used on graveled roads. On graveled crossroads, sand is used. School bus routes are a priority and would be pushed first.

MOTION Council Member Josh Anderson moved that Mayor Brad Hawkes contact Clint Grant to see if he would continue pushing snow for \$100.00 per hour. If not, then contact Box Elder County. Council Member Mark Sorensen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Craig Hawkes: With the increase in snowplow work, we need to look at all equipment costs.

Council Member Craig Hawkes: Since we are not going to increase the snow pushing rate, we can wait to review other equipment costs.

Clerk H. Leon Kotter: Which new email Address should the town us? [Howelltown.gov](mailto:Howelltown.gov) or [howelltown.utah.gov](mailto:howelltown.utah.gov)

The information Technology Act (UCA 63D-2-104) mandates that all municipalities in Utah transition to a .gov domain by July 2025. Why transition to.gov? A .gov domain ensures a secure, easily recognized, and trusted online presence for your municipality. It enhances credibility, improves cybersecurity, and aligns with state and federal requirements.

If we go with .gov domain then we are responsible for its upkeep. If we go with .utah.gov domain all the upkeep is done by the state.

MOTION Council Member Josh Anderson moved that the town goes with.utah.gov. Council Member Craig Hawkes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) personnel will be helping us transition over to the new .utah.gov domain.

Mayor, Council Member Reports

Mayor Brad Hawkes:

- The Planning Commission is holding a public hearing in January 2025 to re-zone some property.

Council Member Rex Nessen: Nothing

Council Member Josh Anderson:

- He has an individual who will install new flooring in the Post Office for \$1,500.00 and the town must pay for the flooring.

MOTION Mayor Hawkes moved to install new flooring in the Post Office. Council Member Mark Sorensen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Council Member Craig Hawkes:

- Source Protection for Hillside Springs is about to be completed.
- Replaced five water line valves.
- A cement pad for the shed housing chlorine tanks has been poured.

Council Member Mark Sorensen: Nothing

#### Approve Payment Vouchers and Bills

Payment Vouchers and Paid Bills were reviewed.

MOTION Council Member Mark Sorensen moved to approve vouchers and paid bills. Council Member Craig Hawkes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Adjournment

MOTION Council Member Craig Hawkes moved to adjourn. Council Member Mark Sorensen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjourned at: 9:00 p.m.

Approved: January 14, 2025



H. Leon Kotter, Town Clerk

