



# HOWELL TOWN NEWSLETTER

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### Upcoming Events:

Jul 4 <sup>th</sup>		Independence Day
Jul 9 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Mtg.
Jul 9 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Town Council Mtg.
Jul 12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup>		Howell Days
Jul 24 <sup>th</sup>		Pioneer Days
Jul 31 <sup>st</sup>		Deadline to sign up for high-speed internet

### Cemetery Concerns

Please read the two sections below. Due to flowers (real or plastic) being left for lengthy periods of time, they have become part of the trash problem we are having at the cemetery. Shepherd's hooks and other types of displays should be placed in the cement base of the headstone so as not to impede mowing of the lawn. If these displays are not in the cement base they will be removed.

#### **SECTION 8-4. DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.**

The cemetery superintendent shall have the general supervision and administration of the cemetery including but not limited to: (1) to dig or cause to be dug all graves required for the burial of the dead, (2) **removing floral pieces or displays left on any grave as deemed necessary to the appearance of the cemetery after 10 days of placement**, (3) improve the grounds, (4) recommend to the town council such additional rules and regulations as may be necessary for the operation, maintenance, use and protection of the cemetery, (5) file all permits with the town clerk.

#### **SECTION 8-14. LANDSCAPING BY PRIVATE PERSONS.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to plant, place, maintain or cause to be planted, placed, or maintained in the town cemetery any trees, shrubs, flowers

bushes, fences, foot markers, or any other obstruction or installation, excepting a headstone or marker. Any such obstruction in the cemetery shall be removed under the direction of the cemetery superintendent.

Nothing in this section shall prohibit the planting and maintaining of trees, shrubs, flowers, bushes, fences, and other installations by the cemetery superintendent in his official capacity.

### Road Concerns

It was brought up in June's town council meeting that when fences along the town's roads are replaced or repaired the old wire and posts are not removed. These items make their way to the edge of the road. In the tall grass along the roads they're not seen and end up in the mower.

We are asking those who replace or repair their fences to please clean up the old wire and fence posts.

### From June's Town Council Meeting

A public hearing was held to get public input of the Town's 2025 fiscal year budget. Other than the town council members and clerks there was only one person that came.

Mayor Hawkes reviewed the proposed 2025 fiscal year budget. There was a \$232.00 increase in property taxes due to the certified tax rate set by the county. This change increased the proposed revenues \$232.00.

After the public hearing Shelly Logan, Town Treasurer, gave her monthly financial report. We are close on our budget and if there are no major expenses we should be okay.

The town council passed two resolutions. Resolution R24-03 – Adopting the 2025 fiscal year budget as follows: General Fund \$287,593; Capital Project Fund \$25,000; Enterprise fund \$37,169. Resolution R24-04 – Approving the property tax rate for 2024 of .000550.

The council also approved Resolution R24-02 that established a turn on fee of \$50.00 when water had been turned off for non-payment of water bill.

Mayor Hawkes reported that Planning Commission Member DaKota Tuck has moved out of town. We need to find a new member. If there is anyone interested in serving on the planning commission, contact Mayor Brad Hawkes.

Mayor Hawkes also reported that the cemetery and park sprinkling systems have been worked on. Broken lines were repaired, and sprinkler heads replaced.

### **Sewer Liner bids**

Mayor Hawkes: We received two bids on lining the community Center sewer line.

Restore Pipe Systems for \$21,100.00  
Pipe Rehab Specialists for \$19,500.00

Restore Pipe Systems would line the sewer line full length. With their equipment they would go inside the liner and cut holes for each of the sixteen lateral lines coming into the main sewer line.

Pipe Rehab Specialists would line the sewer line to where they could not cut the liner for a lateral but would line that area with epoxy resin and continue with the liner.

After much discussion, the council was more comfortable with Restore Pipe Systems' bid even though they were a little more.

### **Mayor, Council Member Reports**

Mayor Brad Hawkes:

- We need to enforce our cemetery ordinance to see if we can keep the cemetery cleaner.
- Marie Payne would like to move the display she has for her son Rocky Payne who was killed in Iraq to be with the display in the community center.

Council Member Rex Nessen:

- He would like property owners whose property is long town roads clean up the old wire and materials when they replace or repair fences. The wire is hard on the mower.

Council Member Josh Anderson:

- Sandy Burton wanted to know if the town had any service projects the girls, she is over could do. It was suggested to pick limbs blown from the trees around the bowery.

Council Member Craig Hawkes:

- The new chlorination system will be here soon.
- We need a shed outside of the pump house to store the chlorine containers.

Council Member Mark Sorensen: Nothing

### **July's Utah Trivia Questions**

1. How many Utah farms contain more than one thousand acres?
2. What Utahn played the lead role in the television series *Father Murphy*?
3. What immigrant group preceded the Mormon pioneers into the Salt Lake Valley by a year?
4. Who painted two large murals in Kingsbury Hall at the University of Utah in 1937 depicting "the whole history of the arts in the western world"?
5. What athletic club, still going strong, was organized in 1912 near Second South and Tenth East in Salt Lake City?
6. What is the average annual snowfall in inches at Alta, Brighton, Powder Mountain and Snowbird ski resorts?

### **July 31, 2024 Deadline**

If you want fiber optics/high-speed internet installed in your house, you need to sign up before July 31, 2024.

### **Answers**

1. More than thirteen hundred
2. Merlin Olsen
3. Donner Party (in 1846)
4. Florence Ware
5. Salt Lake Tennis Club
6. Five Hundred