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**Upcoming Events:**

March 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting
March 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Town Council Meeting
May 29 <sup>th</sup> – Jun 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Howell Clean Up Days-Dumpster at Old CC & Brad Hawkes
June 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup>		File Declaration of Candidacy (Mayor/ 2Council Members)

**NOTICE:**

After April 8, 2025, Howell Town will need a new town clerk. If you are interested in this position, you can get a request a copy of the job description by going to the town’s website <https://howelltown.utah.gov> , select Public Notices icon, then select job description file or send an email to [office@howelltown.org](mailto:office@howelltown.org) or by calling or texting 435-279-6499.

The 2024 Consumer Confidence Report on our water system is available here at the town office and it is also available on the town’s website.

**From the February Town council Meeting Public Comments**

The Howell Boosters would like to oversee the Howell Days Celebration. They would like to hold it for only one day – July 12, 2025.

**Shelly Logan, Town Treasurer– Financial Reports**

Shelly gave the monthly budget report. Currently there are no budget concerns.

**Mayor Brad Hawkes: Community Plan for Sustainable Growth**

It was decided to wait and see what the Planning Commission does. Planning Commission Member Chris Hawkes who authored this document was not present at the planning commission meeting to review this document.

**Mayor Brad Hawkes: Emergency Preparedness Coordinator**

Mayor Hawkes reported that he has visited with Claine Burt about being our emergency preparedness coordinator. Claine accepted. Claine will get with the Box Elder County emergency preparedness manager and get things up to date.

**Council Member Craig Hawkes: Increasing Town Wages**

Council Member Hawkes discussed increasing wages. Our town clerk will be leaving in April and at \$16.00 per hour we will not get anyone to apply for the position.

Mayor Brad Hawkes stated the road fund and water fund have sufficient funds for a pay increase. He is concerned about administrative and post office. He asked Clerk H. Leon Kotter to gather information on four areas: Roads, Water, Administration and Post Office and present it in March’s town council meeting.

**Key for Community Center when rented**

It has been hard to get a key to those who rent the Community Center. A key lock box has been installed next to the bulletin board by the main door. The key will be placed in the box. A code will be given to the renter. Enter the code, open box, remove key. When finished put key back in the box and close the door.

## Mayor, Council Member Reports

Mayor Brad Hawkes:

- In April, the power will be off here in the community center for two days while Rocky Mountain Power and Geary Electric are doing electrical work to change out meters.
- Due to unexpected changes in our application for a Community Development Block Grant, we cancelled our application. The estimated cost of our road project was over four hundred thousand dollars. The CDBG has a cap of two hundred thousand dollars.

Council Member Rex Nessen: Not Present

Council Member Josh Anderson:

- The memorial cabinet for Sgt. Rocky D. Payne who was killed in military action cannot be mounted on a wall. It must be set on a cabinet. He is looking for a cabinet.
- The shelving in the area where the town council meets needs repairs. The shelving top new needs new Formica. The shelving face will be cover will dry wall and painted.

Council Member Craig Hawkes:

- We are waiting for engineering so that we can finish the shed that will house the chlorine tanks for our water system.

Council Member Mark Sorensen: Nothing

## March's Utah Trivia Questions

1. For whom was Bingham Canyon named?
2. For what use did Harry Bowring offer his unfinished home in the fall of 1859?
3. What crime did "mountain common law" in pioneer times often treat as justifiable homicide?
4. Salt Lake City Resident Mattie Clark Sanford, recognized by the Photographic Society of America as the top woman in the world in stereo photography in 1960, pursued what other career for forty-five years?

5. What pass in football was called the "Utah" pass after it was used by the University of Utah against Army in 1957?
6. What is the largest manmade excavation on earth?

## Answers to March's Utah Trivia Questions

1. Sanford and Thomas Bigham, who ran cattle in the canyon.
2. As a theater
3. One's killing a man who had seduced one's close female relative.
4. Teacher
5. Shovel Pass
6. Kennecott Bingham Canyon Mine

## Tiny Thoughts

Your choices determine your trajectory.

An imperfect solution that exists outperforms a perfect one that doesn't.

Facebook wasn't the first social network – it was just the one that kept iterating and showing up. The Wright brothers weren't the most educated aviation pioneers, but they were the ones who got a plane off the ground.

What you build matters more than what you could have built.

Tom Brady (lightly edited) on how the right people in your life double the pleasure and divide the pain:

*"Things happen in life that you don't want to happen—whether you lose a game, things don't go well at work, or something happens with your child. There are many moments in our personal and professional lives that don't go the way we want. How do you deal with them? Do you handle them with class and integrity, with courage and resilience? Are you able to share your emotions with others?"*

*Do you have people in your life who can help you through those challenges? I'm blessed to have had people walk through those moments with me. They always say, "Double the pleasure and divide the pain," and that's what relationships are all about. When you care for and love those around you, they give back—and that's where the reward comes."*

