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Upcoming Events:			
Mar 5 th		Republican Caucus Mtg	
Mar 5 th		Democrat Primary	
Mar 10 th		Daylight Savings Begins	
Mar 12 th	6:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Mtg.	
Mar 12 th	7:00 p.m.	Town Council Mtg.	
Mar 19 th	-	First Day Spring	
Mar 31sst		Easter Sunday	
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Reminder

Again "Thank You" to those who have turned in their lead, copper water line survey. There are still some who haven't submitted their survey. If you have misplaced your survey form, please contact Town Clerk Leon Kotter (435-279-6499) for a new one.

February Planning Commission meeting

Representatives from Revkor Holding met with the Planning Commission and presented what they would like to do in Howell Town. They proposed building manufacturing/warehouse facilities in two phases in the southeast portion of the town. They would employ over a thousand people in each phase.

If approved, it would require a zoning change from Agriculture A20 to commercial.

Questions were asked and answered about the project.

Planning Commission Chairman Gary Burton asked for a motion to re-zone. A motion was made. The Planning Commission members unanimously voted against re-zoning.

From the Town Council February meeting Deputy Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff Merkley reported that there were nineteen calls made to Howell in January. There have been extra patrols also.

<u>Shelly Logan, Town Treasurer– Financial</u> <u>Reports</u>

The town received over \$300.00 in interest in the general fund and over \$700.00 in the PTIF Fund. Budget-wise we are on track.

Brian Craver: Bear River Association of Governments has staff that can assist towns in applying for grants and state funding

Russ Price came in place of Brian Carver. Russ is the Local Administrator Advisor. His role is to assist towns write grants and prepare applications for funding.

The USDA Rural Development has funding. The deadline to apply is April 2024

Putting a new roof on the Community Center and paving a mile of the town's roads are two areas the town is seeking funding.

Beehive Broadband Project: Fiber Optics

Town Clerk Leon Kotter reported that Greg Stevens, Head of Engineering, for Beehive Broadband is scheduled to be at the March Town Council meeting to present their plans for getting high-speed internet to each residence. They will be here in the town in July or August.

Gary Burton, Chairman: Howell Town Planning Commission Report

Chairman Gary Burton reported on the Planning Commission's meeting in which Revkor Holdings. They wanted to build a manufacturing/warehouse facility. This would require a zoning change. The re-zoning motion did not pass.

<u>Council Member Josh Anderson: Use of</u> <u>Community Center Gym</u>

Councilman Josh Anderson yielded his time to Tim Douglas as he was going to talk about the same thing.

Tim Douglas: Wrestling Mats in the Community Center

Tim Douglas, head coach of girls wrestling at the Bear River Junior High School, would like to rent the gym for their spring wrestling training. They would need the gym two nights a week. They would start with a banquet March 1, 2024.

Council Member Mark Sorensen: New gravel for the cemetery

Council Member Mark Sorensen reported that the gravel needs to be replaced at the cemetery. It was quite muddy for the last burial.

He is to check around and get prices.

Town Policy P22-11, Facility Rental policy update

Mayor Brad Hawkes stated that we need to update our Facility Rental Policy to reflect what we are doing. The gym is the primary rental area, and the upper area is available when the gym is scheduled. If the gym is available and people want to use the upper area, then the gym would be rented also.

A motion was made and passed to update Town Policy P22-11 to reflect the above change.

Mayor, Council Member Reports Mayor Brad Hawkes:

Reported that we need to appoint a new member or re-appoint the current member, Rex Nessen, to the Box Elder County Mosquito Abatement Board. Council Member Rex Nessen, who is with us via Zoom accepted the re-appointment.

Council Member Rex Nessen: Nothing

Council Member Josh Anderson:

He is getting estimates on replacing the gym floor covering.

Council Member Craig Hawkes:

Replaced broken meter lid.

We need to replace the metal water line to Val Nessen's house.

We need to get more of the lead, copper surveys in. Council Member Mark Sorensen:

Nothing

March's Utah Trivia Questions

- 1. In the late 1800s which Toole County town had an underground department store, café, and hotel?
- 2. What small town was the birthplace in 1922 of actress Marie Windsor, born Emily Marie Bertelson?
- 3. What presidential candidat4e came to Utah in the 1992 election?
- 4. What state-of-the-art facility opened in 1993 with a major exhibit of Etruscan art and artifacts from the Vatican?
- 5. What natural feature in Zion National Park gets its name from elaborate cable works that lowered timber to the canyon floor?
- 6. What feat brought international fame to pilot Russell L. Maughan of Cache County on June 21, 1925?



Answers to March's Utah Trivia Questions

- 1. Ajax
- 2. Marysvale
- 3. Bill Clinton
- 4. Museum of Art at Brigham Young University
- 5. Cable Mountain
- 6. First nonstop dawn-to-dusk flight from New York to San Francisco