

## HOWELL TOWN NEWSLETTER

# **MAY 2024**



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**Upcoming Events:** 

May 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting May 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. Howell Town Council Meeting

May 30th – Jun 3rd Annual Howell Clean Up Dumpster Days

Jun 6th 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Mtg. - High Speed Internet Info

The annual Howell Clean Up Days will begin May 30<sup>th</sup> and run until June 3<sup>rd</sup>. See the attached flyer for more information.

On June 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. there will be a meeting with Beehive Broadband at the Community Center to explain more about the high-speed internet. Everyone is invited to attend. You will learn about the costs, sign-up dates and when they will be in the valley. Please plan to attend.

From the April 9th Town Council Meeting: Deputy Sheriff Merkley was present at our

town council meeting. He reported that there were four extra patrols made in the town. There were no calls to come to the town. He did report that human remains had been found in various locations in the County.

Shelly reported on finances and the budget. We had another month with increased interest received. The overall budget is in decent shape. However, there are some areas in the park and Community Center budgets that need attention.

Nate Allen, Executive Director Utah Approves, gave presentation on improving voting methods. The one he discussed was "Approval Voting." There is a flyer attached that explains in detail what "Approval Voting" is.

Mayor Hawkes discussed increasing the milage rate for use of personal vehicles on town business. The current federal allowance is .67 cents per mile. Currently the town allows 50.5 cents per mile. This was adopted in 2008. By motion the town council approved increasing what the town pays to .67 cents per mile. A resolution will be

presented in the May town council meeting to adopt this change.

The town council has some projects that they would like to get funding for. (1) A new roof for the Community Center (2) a back up generator for the Community Center (3) extending the oiled portion of 14400 N west to the west canal. We are working with the Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) for funding. There are funds available through the State of Utah's Community Impact Board (CIB). It would be a loan at 2.5% interest. To start with we need to get cost estimates for each project.

Mayor and Council Member reports:

Mayor Hawkes did not have anything to report on.

Council Member Rex Nessen discussed our oiled roads. Instead of chipping them he would like to try slurry. It would be late summer or early fall before it can be done.

We will be able to get gravel from the County when they get a surplus to gravel some of our roads.

He has brine coming. (Note: It was applied Monday April 15<sup>th</sup>).

Council Member Craig Hawkes reported that he is working on getting someone to put in a new water line to replace the metal line to Val Nessen's house.

Since Council Member Mark Sorensen was not present, Craig discussed getting rock for the cemetery roads. The roads in the cemetery get muddy when rains. The old gravel on the roads

would be removed and replaced with a certain type of rock.

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM BEAR RIVER ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNEMENTS (BRAG)

#### WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM

Want to make your home more energy-efficient and comfortable? **BRAG's Weatherization program** is here to help!
Year-round assistance is available for eligible applicants in Cache, Box Elder, and Rich counties.

With federal and utility funding, BRAG provides a range of services, such as attic insulation, wall insulation, air sealing, and more, to improve your home's energy efficiency at NO COST to the applicant. Using federal and utility funding, our program offers a wide range of services, including:

- -Attic Insulation
- -Wall Insulation
- -Air Sealing
- -Repair or Replace Damaged Heating Systems
- -Evaluate to Replace Windows
- -Installing Ventilation Fans to meet ASHRAE Standard

To apply for the program, call BRAG at 435-752-7242 ask for WEATHERIZATION. or visit

https://brag.utah.gov/depts/weatherization-crisis/

Do not miss this opportunity to save on energy costs and enjoy a cozier home!

# **April's Utah Trivia Questions**

- 1. What Utah County town was first known as Mountainville?
- 2. What social problem was addressed in *The Child and the Beast,* a 1915 film based on a Salt Lake City's judge's cases?
- 3. Who was the first Japanese American elected to the Salt Lake County Commission(1990)?

- 4. Who grew up in Manti, wrote novels such as *Where Nothing Is Long Ago*, received two Guggenheim Fellowships, and married English writer Alec Waugh?
- 5. What three-time All-American track star at BYU ran in the 220-yard hurdles in Berlin in the 1936 Olympics?
- 6. For two years Marvel Lay Murdock of Heber City and Duchesne served as president of what national organization?

### Answers to April's Utah Trivia Questions

- 1. Alpine
- 2. Drunkenness
- 3. Randy Horiuchi
- 4. Virginia Sorensen
- 5. Dale Schofield
- 6. National Women's Auxiliary of the National Wool Growers Association.