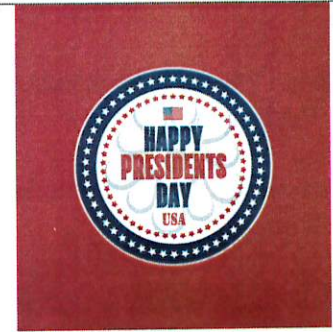


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Upcoming Events:

Feb. 10 th	6:00 p.m.	Howell Planning Commission Meeting
Feb. 10 th	7:00 p.m.	Howell Town Council Meeting
Feb. 14 th	All Day	Valentine's Day
Feb. 16 th	All Day	President's Day
Feb- March	5:00 p.m.	Bingo Every Saturday in February and March

From the January Planning Commission Meeting

No meeting was held in January.

From the December Town Council Meeting

Swearing in of New Mayor and Council Members
Bruce Morris swore in as Mayor and signed the oath of office.

McKenzie Sorensen swore in as Council member and signed the oath of office.

Drew Sorensen swore in as Council member and signed the oath of office

Box Elder County Sheriff's Office

Here are the stats from 12/09/2025 to 01/13/2026 1.

Agency Assistance - 1 2.

Citizen Assistance - 1 3. Community Policing - 1 4.

Extra Patrols - 6 5.

Civil Summons - 1 6. Welfare Check - 1 At this time there are no threats to the public.

Public Comments

Dirk Anderson- BRAG will be a liaison for the community.

Christi Anderson - booster club review of items they do during the year.

Shelly Logan, Town Treasurer- Financial Reports

PTIF earned \$628.67 in interest

General fund earned \$188 in interest

Mayor, Council Member Reports

Mayor Bruce Morris

- ❖ Going over job descriptions, graders need to be on town property not individual property, Roads are a work in progress and need repaired, road will need repaired to county standards. McKenzie Sorensen has water duties; she will need to go to the water conference and get her to level 1. Drew Sorensen will be over the Cemetery. Josh Anderson will remain over the Community center. Rex will remain over the roads.

Council Member Rex Nessen

- ❖ Not Present

Council Member Josh Anderson

- ❖ Purchase smart Thermostats for gym and upper section. A motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ Cupboard will be purchased for the post office, and a motion was passed unanimously.

Council Member Mckenzie Sorensen

❖ Nothing.

Council Member Drew Sorensen

❖ Nothing

February Utah Triva Questions

1. The Carter Road across the Unita Mountains connected which two military installments?
2. What Salt Lake City building was erected in 1852 was used for such activities as dances, concerts, plays, and choir rehearsals?
3. What Salt Lake native and leader of the radical Industrial Workers of the World is buried in Kremlin Wall?
4. As a result of their interest in orthographic reform, what did the Mormons create?
5. When was the first known game of chess played by telephone in Utah?
6. What lawyer, businessman, naturalist, and writer served as a first president of the Utah Audubon Society in 1912?

Tiny Thoughts

What looks like success is often just patience.

Mastery is the revenge of the patient on the privileged.

Most people self-sabotage with self-defeating attitudes and behaviors long before anyone stops them.

The Dalai Lama on being honest:

"If you are honest, truthful, and transparent, people trust you. If people trust you, you have no grounds for fear, suspicion, or jealousy.

Steve Jobs on living:

"Your time is limited, so don't waste it living someone else's life... have the courage to follow your heart and intuition... Remembering that I'll be dead soon is the most important tool I've ever encountered to help me make the big choices in life."

Michelle McMahon on standing up for yourself:

"If you're in a situation of conflict ... you can't hold yourself responsible for their feelings. Regardless of how they handle the situation, you need to speak your truth. You need to do it in a respectful way and then walk away knowing that you stood up for yourself."

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Bipartisan bill would grow water recycling effort

By: Jennifer Yachnin | January 28, 2026

A bipartisan pair of Western senators wants to extend a large-scale water recycling program through 2032, in a bid to extend water supplies in the drought-stricken Colorado River Basin.

Nevada Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto (D) and Utah Sen. John Curtis (R) on Tuesday introduced the "Large-Scale Water Recycling Reauthorization Act," to extend a five-year program created in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act in 2021.

The proposal comes as the seven Colorado River Basin states struggle to reach agreement over future operations of their waterway, which supports some 40 million individuals and 5.5 million acres of farmland.

The current operating plan, along with a series of short-term agreements among the states -- Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming -- to reduce water use, expires this year. A new plan must be in place by Oct. 1, which marks the start of the 2027 water year.

"For the millions that rely upon the Colorado River Basin, water scarcity is a daily reality," said Curtis. "Large-scale water recycling is one of the most effective, forward-looking tools we have to stretch limited supplies, support growing communities, and protect our environment. Extending this bipartisan program will help states like Utah and our neighbors in the West invest in reliable, innovative water solutions that strengthen our economy and secure our water future."

February Utah Trivia Answers

1. Fort Bridger, Wyoming and Fort Thornburg, Utah
2. Social Hall
3. William D. "Big Bill" Haywood
4. Deseret alphabet
5. 1881 (between players in Odgen and Salt Lake City)
6. Claude T. Barnes