

October 2022



Newton Town Corporation

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Newton Town Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 9:30 to 11:30 AM PHONE: 563-9283

Newton Town Council – Meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Newton Town Hall.

Newton Planning Commission – meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Newton Town Hall.

To place items on either agenda, please contact Karla Ferguson, Town Clerk, at least three days prior to the scheduled meeting.

To place items in either the Town Newsletter or Town Bulletin Board at the Post Office, contact Karla.

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# Notes From the Mayor:

Another summer has come and gone and despite the continued drought we were blessed to have timely rains and enough water for our crops and gardens this year. My thanks go to those that cut back their water usage both in and outside their homes. Our springs that provide our culinary water have continued to slow as the drought persists. We should expect next year to be much the same. Now is a good time to start thinking about what things we might do next summer to cut back our water usage. Let us hope that the drought ends soon, but also let us be prepared in case it lingers on for a few more years.

As the summer has come to end and winter approaches, the town plans to mow the streets one last time before snow arrives. Please make sure that you remove any items from the street rightsof-way. This includes such things as green waste, vehicles, equipment, temporary fences, or any other items that would prevent or hinder the town from getting the mowing accomplished.

Speaking of the street rightof-way, the Newton Planning Commission is going to be reviewing our town ordinances that pertain to the right-of-way. They will be making recommendations to the town council of any changes or adjustments that need to be made, or if the current ordinances reflect the town general plan. After the Town Council has reviewed the recommendations, there will be an opportunity for public input. Once this process is completed and agreed upon by the town council, the ordinances will be enforced.

- Mayor Mike Benson

# Vaccination Clinic

Bear River Health Department will conduct the clinic on <u>Monday</u>, <u>Oct.</u> <u>24, 6:00 to 8:00 pm</u> at the Newton Town Hall.

Flu shots will be available for ages 6 months and older. The COVID booster shot for those ages 12 years and older will also be available. The booster is for those who have already had at least two doses of the COVID vaccine. Please bring your insurance card. All major insurances are accepted. The flu shot is \$30 without insurance.

If you are unable to attend the clinic, you may visit the health department in Logan. Health Department Clinic hours are Monday - Thursday 8am - 6pm and Friday 8am - 1pm. If you are strictly homebound (in Newton), please contact Raelyn Rigby directly at 563-9293 for home service.

# **Election voting**

Election Day is November 8<sup>th</sup>. Cache County will soon begin mailing out ballots. If you are an active registered voter, you will automatically receive a ballot in the mail. An official ballot drop box is located outside on the north end of the Newton Town Hall for voted ballots with the signed envelope. For voter information, please go to vote.utah.gov

Some important election dates:

- October 18th Ballots Mailed to Voters
- October 28th Last day to register and receive a ballot in the mail
- November 1st -4th -Early Voting at the Cache County Admin Building from 8am - 5pm
- November 8th Election Day Voting held at the Cache County Event Center from 7am - 8pm



and hot cocoa

17 West Main Street, Newton By the Newton Youth Council



### <u>Newton Town</u> <u>Library</u>

The library has many resources and items to check out. Looking for a book, movie, audiobook, Wi-Fi hotspot, or even a telescope? Come to the library to check something out.

The Library Book Club will meet on Oct. 20th to discuss the book 'Beneath a Scarlet Sky' by Mark T. Sullivan. November's book will be 'The Lions of Fifth Avenue' by Fiona Davis. January's book will be 'The Aviator's Wife' by Melanie Benjamin. February's book will be 'Major Pettigrew's Last Stand' by Helen Simonson. We meet in the library at 7:00 pm, on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Books are available at the library for checkout.

Come join us at the library for our annual KUED Reading Marathon in November. If you read each day, come join the fun and then celebrate with a Super Reader Party in January. Story Time at the Library is every Thursday at 10:30 am. Come and join us for lots of fun.



Santa will be at the library November

30th from 6:30-7:30 pm. Please bring your families and enjoy some treats and caroling.



HELP WANTED: The fire department could use your help! If interested in joining the fire department, please contact Greg Jorgensen at 435-890-5329.

As a reminder, when you change your clock on Sunday, November 6 for daylight savings, change your batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors too. It could save your life.

#### HALLOWEEN:

Kids love the magic of Halloween, but costume



and traffic safety are essential for trick-or-treaters. These tips can help make a safe and happy holiday for everyone.

# **Costume Safety:**

- Before Halloween arrives, be sure to choose a costume that won't cause safety hazards.
- All costumes, wigs and accessories should be fire-resistant
- If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags, or give them glow sticks
- Opt for nontoxic Halloween makeup over masks, which can obscure vision; always test makeup in a small area first to see if any irritation develops
- Remove all makeup before children go to bed to prevent skin and eye irritation

# When They're on the Prowl:

Keep these tips in mind when your children are out on Halloween night:

- A responsible adult should accompany young children on the neighborhood rounds
- If your older children are going alone, plan and review a route acceptable to you

- Agree on a specific time children should return home
- Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home or car
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home, and take care to <u>avoid any food</u> <u>allergies</u>
- Children and adults are reminded to <u>put</u> <u>electronic devices</u> <u>down</u>, keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.

# Safety Tips for Motorists:

Additional safety tips for parents – and anyone who plans to be <u>on the road</u> during trick-or-treat hours:

- Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully
- At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing
- Discourage new, inexperienced drivers from driving on Halloween

# Newton Holiday <u>Tree Lighting</u>

November 30, 2022, 6:00 p.m., outside Newton Town Hall. We will have a countdown to turn on the lights. A short program will follow, and we will welcome Santa. Santa will then be at the library from 6:30 -7:30 pm for a visit.



Our Merry & Bright Night is fast approaching. In order to keep our tree lighting and Santa welcome "Merry & Bright" the community needs your help. We need your help in either two ways: 1. Funds or 2. Folks who would be willing to help. If you would like to donate, it could be sent to: Newton Town, Attn: Merry & Bright, PO Box 146 or in the payment drop box at the Town Hall. We would be so happy to accept your help as a committee member. If interested, let Annette Benson 563-5422 or Sue Petersen 760-0937 know. Whatever we can do, we hope it helps to make the Christmas season more special for all of you.

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