

Genola Newsletter

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

It's the beginning of fall and the time that signals change is in the air. It's now time where many of us are harvesting our gardens and prepare the land for winter. Like us our city leadership is also going through a time of change. We are grateful to Councilman Stan Judd and for the many years that he has served this community. He will be greatly missed in our Town, but we are excited for him and his many new adventures that are sure to come.

During our last Town Council meeting the council reviewed three letters of interest with two of the candidates available to be interviewed. The council voted, and Mr. Neil Brown was appointed to fill the vacant seat. Mr. Brown has previously served the community as a council member and as a mayor. We are grateful for his willingness to step in and help. He will be sworn in during the next council meeting on September 18th and serve in this appointed capacity until the next municipal election in November of 2025. Our community wouldn't be able to run without the constant help of those who step up to serve, including those who serve on planning commission, recreation depts, Miss Genola program, Fire department, and I'm sure I've missed many others who help make this community the wonderful place that it is.

The new tank and well has been certified for operation and should be running within the next 30 days. We know this project has been long, but we are excited to have a second water source available to all our residents.

UDOT has made us aware that they have reviewed and plan changes to the intersection of Hwy 6 and State Rd 141. It has been funded based on a budget of \$2,200,000. Bids will be accepted in March 2025 and construction should start in June 2025. We are certain that this project will make the intersection safer for all motorists.

The Council and Planning Commission have been busy working on updating the Town's Ordinances. The Planning Commission is currently working on updating the Conditional

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 2nd Office Closed – Labor Day

September 10th – Senior Citizen Luncheon

October 7th – Fire Dept Fire Prevention
Open House 6pm-8pm

October 8th Senior Citizen Luncheon

October 31st City Trunk-r-Treat 6pm sharp

November 5th Election Day

November 11th Office Closed Veterans
Day

November 28th Office Closed Thanksgiving

Planning Commission Meeting: 1st
Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of
each month at 7:00 p.m.

Genola Volunteer Fire Department
meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of every
month at 7:00 p.m.

**All meetings held at the Public Safety
Building 455 N Main St.**

Use ordinance to give it an update where it hasn't been updated in recent years. They are also working hard on getting the subdivision ordinance updated to meet the new state standards. The council recently put in a moratorium on any conditional use applications giving the planning commission the time to thoroughly work through and update the ordinance.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

This summer the fire department was awarded \$10,000 from the Utah Forestry and State Lands grant for a new pump for our tender. We strive to save the town money by seeking grants to help us get the necessary equipment.

October is Fire Prevention Month, and we would like to invite everyone down the Fire Station on Monday, October 7th from 6pm to 8pm, we will have information on fire prevention, fire safety, first aid, while you're there get your blood pressure checked, and more. We will have some fun things for the kids to do, we hope to see you all there.

We would like to remind R1-zoned residents that the fall open burn period this year will be between September 15 through October 30th. This date range is subject to weather conditions and the Clearing Index. R1 zones will be able to get a free burn permit online at air.utah.gov/OpenBurning/form/index.php. Please remember to always monitor your fire while burning, always have a way to put it out quickly if needed. You are not allowed to burn anything that is not grown on your property. When finished make sure it is fully extinguished before dark and never burn at night.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

If you haven't received the town's emergency notifications, please contact the town office and we would be happy to help you get signed up. You can also sign up online at Alerts.UtahCounty.Gov.

PARKS AND RESTROOMS

Recently the public works department has had instances where kids/people who are going into the bathrooms and causing large messes, including throwing all the paper towels all over the floors, leaving water on, etc. We ask that our residents please talk to their kids old and young about making sure that we take good care of our parks and facilities. Please remember to keep an eye on your children when you visit the park. Our Public Works Department takes great pride in trying to keep these facilities clean and open.

SENIOR CITIZENS

We are so excited to be starting Seniors Citizens again this month. We have definitely missed you. We will begin our normal schedule on the second Tuesday of every month on September 10th. We will be playing Bingo and be eating Taco Salad for lunch. Please either bring a dessert to share or a \$3 donation.

Schedule for the couple of months:

October – Soup Bar

November – Lasagna

ELECTIONS

The general election will be held on November 5th. There are several state and federal races, but there are no municipal elections held this year.

NATURAL GAS

Dominion Energy has now completed the installation of all main lines north of 800 South. If you have signed your contract with Dominion Energy and had your service line put in, your next step will be to get a Natural Gas Permit. Permits are \$150 and will cover your inspection fees. You can print your application online or you can come get one from the office. You will need to have your licensed plumber or HVAC contractor fill out the application and provide a piping diagram. Once the diagram has been approved you are then able to schedule your swap over with your contractor and schedule your inspection. Dominion Energy will do their best to try to come on the same day as your inspection. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Town Office or Tanner Williams with Dominion Energy @ 385-312-3002.

MISS GENOLA

The Miss Genola pageant is an opportunity for young women ages 11-19 from Genola to give service to our community, grow through personal development opportunities, and earn scholarships. Miss Genola (ages 15-19) and Junior Miss Genola (ages 11-14) sign-ups will open September 15th for the 2025 pageant. Registration will close October 30th. Stay tuned for Mini (ages 3-6) and Little (ages 7-10) registration after the first of the year!! For more information, or if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Laurel Bishop at MissGenola@gmail.com.

TRUNK-R-TREAT

Trunk-r-treat will be Thursday October 31st 6pm sharp. Doughnuts and Cider will be provided.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

The Bureau of Land Management has received and accepted a request from the Civilian Marksmanship Program to withdraw their application for a land conveyance known as the West Mountain Shooting Range Proposal. We appreciate your participation and feedback during the scoping process. This cancels the NEPA process.

RECREATION

Fall Soccer is in full swing. You can view the schedules on the Town's website. <https://townofgenola.org/parks-recreation/>. The Town of Goshen is offering girls volleyball

Registration Mid-August – September 30th. Practices on Thursdays in October

Games on Tuesdays in November

Jr. Jazz Basketball sign ups - Oct 1 - Nov 22

Practices in December

Games on Saturdays in Jan & Feb

(Kinder & 1st practice/games Thursdays)

The sign-up sheets are available in the office or can be printed from goshenutah.org and turned in at the Goshen office. Payments can be made by card in person or over the phone, or by cash or check.

Questions can email me at goshencouncilseat1@gmail.com.

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Now you can pay your bills online!!! As a way to offer you more choices in how you pay your bills, Genola Town now lets you make payments online. We have partnered with Xpress Bill Pay, the premier provider for online payment systems. It is simple to use, all you need is an internet connection. Once you sign up for your free account and start using this service, you'll wonder how you ever got along without it! Every month we'll send you a reminder email to let you know when your bill is online. Then, you just log into your account at xpressbillpay.com and view your bill. You can also see two years history of your account online, so you can compare your current bill to a previous bill.

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