# Newton Town News



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Newton Town Corporation

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#### **Newton Town**

Office Hours:
Monday & Wednesday
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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 Newton Town office staff, 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 the Newton Town office.

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# From the Mayor

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As we move through the heart of summer, I can't help but appreciate the month of July. It is a time to count our blessings for the freedom and liberty we are fortunate to enjoy in this land. It's also a time to remember our heritage and honor those who built the foundation of our state and our beloved community. Each year, our town celebrates the pioneers and early residents who toiled and sacrificed to make it possible for us to enjoy the blessings of living in this beautiful place. I invite each of you to attend our town's celebration on July 25th and 26th. Let's come together as neighbors and friends to honor the past and enjoy the present.

I want to acknowledge that this summer has been particularly hot and dry. We all want healthy, green lawns, and I want to share a friendly reminder about water conservation. Watering in the middle of the day is not only inefficient, but it also wastes water due to high evaporation rates. For your lawns and plants to truly benefit, and to help our town conserve this precious resource, please water in the early morning or late evening.

I want to extend a sincere thank you to the many residents who have taken their time and effort to clean up our town's right-of-way (property along the streets). Your commitment to keeping Newton beautiful does not go unnoticed and is deeply appreciated. These efforts contribute significantly to the pride we all feel in our community. For those who haven't had a chance yet, please remember that the right-of-way should be clear of junk, farm equipment, trailers, fences, and debris. Your cooperation helps ensure our town looks the best for everyone.

Thank you for everything you do to make Newton a wonderful place to live. Enjoy the rest of the summer, and I look forward to seeing our community thrive.

Regards, Mike Benson, Mayor

# New Playground equipment on its way

New playground equipment will be installed beginning July 21 at Newton Park. We ask for your cooperation in keeping children away from the area during installation. The equipment will be expanded as more funding is available.

## Newton Library



The Library Book Sale and Newton Phone Book Sale will be held during

the Town Celebration in front of the Town Hall on July 25-26. Phone books will be available inside the library after this date.

The summer reading program is going on now. Kids keep track of minutes and get prizes for reading or being read to. Adults and teens read or listen to books and enter our prize drawings. Prizes include book sets, games, diamond art, picnic bag, candy, and gift cards. The closing party is August 4th at the park from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Lots of prizes will be handed out. Everyone can pick a free book. There will be treats and fun activities for all. Everyone is welcome to attend even if you did not participate in summer reading. Come to the park and have fun as a family.

Teen Activities for ages 12-18 will be July 14, July 21 and July 28. Tween Activities for ages 8-11 are every Tuesday at 10:30 in July.

#### **Fire Department:**

Firefighter
Training: Michael
Duncan has
received training and
certification in Hazmat
Awareness and Hazmat

Operations. Kayden

Jorgensen has received training and certification in Hazmat Awareness, Hazmat Operations, and Firefighter 1. We appreciate the time and effort that they put into receiving this training and the benefit it provides to our department and the community.

Fire Hydrants: All fire hydrants should easily be seen from the street and free from obstructions. In other words, parked vehicles, signage and landscaping should not be in front of or near a fire hydrant. In an emergency, every second counts. That's why all fire hydrants must be visible and easily accessible. Fire code also requires a minimum of three feet of clearance around the fire hydrant so firefighters can turn the valve which opens the fire hydrant.

#### Fireworks Safety:

Here are a few safety tips from the National Council on



Fireworks Safety

- Use fireworks outdoors only.
- Obey local laws. If fireworks are not legal where you live, do not use them!
- Always have water handy (a hose or buckets of water).
- Only use fireworks as intended. DO NOT try to

- alter them or combine them.
- Never re-light a "dud" firework (wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water).
- Use common sense
   when using fireworks.
   Spectators should keep a
   safe distance from the
   fireworks. The person
   lighting the fireworks
   should wear safety
   glasses.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix! Have a "designated" person light fireworks.
- Only persons over age 12 should be allowed to handle sparklers of any type.
- DO NOT ever use homemade fireworks or illegal explosives; they can kill! Report illegal explosives to the fire or police department in your community.

In addition, when conditions make the risk of wildfire extremely high, many areas will not allow firework use of any kind. All unincorporated areas in Cache County are restricted.

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Information about our town can be found on this website. We will be changing to an all-digital newsletter soon. The newsletter will be posted on our website. To have the newsletter emailed or mailed to you quarterly, please send us your address at <a href="mailto:newton@newtonutah.gov">newton@newtonutah.gov</a> or

call the town office 563-9283.

# 2025 NEWTON TOWN CELEBRATION

# "A PLACE WHERE THE PRESENT REMEMBERS THE PAST"

<ul> <li>Dinner: Pizza Stop - Fundraiser for Playground Equipment. Pizza and Drink.</li> </ul>	5:30-7 pm
<ul> <li>Free Ice Cream Provided by Local Newton Farmers through Dairy West</li> </ul>	6:30-8 pm
T-shirt Sales: Julie Christiansen	6-8 pm
<ul> <li>Town Phone Books and Library Book Sale: On Town Hall Lawn</li> </ul>	5:30-9 pm
Merry and Bright Fundraiser	6-9 pm
• Cornhole Tournament: Sign-up via text, \$5 team fee, Dennis Ferguson 801-597-7214	6:30 pm
<ul> <li>Newton Outstanding Citizen Award and The Heritage Award Presentation</li> </ul>	7:15 pm
<ul> <li>9-square games, Karaoke, Face Paint (\$1), and the movie "The Wild Robot"</li> </ul>	7:30-9:30 pm
Fireworks: Newton Boys	9:45 pm

#### Saturday, July 26th

•	Dam Run: Christine Phelps Hamp (\$1:00 per	person, register Friday night)	7:00 am		
•	Breakfast: Jed Woodward - Fundraiser for Playground Equipment.				
•	Flag Ceremony: Newton Youth Council		8:30 am		
•	DUP Bake Sale:		8:30 am		
•	Parade: Contact Kim Parkinson	9:30 a.m. Line up for participants,	10:00 am		
•	Car Show: Newton citizens from the parade will park their cars on the South side of the Church.		10:30-Noon		
•	Lunch at the Pavilion: Jody and Brett Larson		11-3 pm		
	<ul> <li>Cheeseburgers, Brats, Hot Dogs, and Nachos</li> </ul>				
•	Bounce Houses/Water Slides \$7.00 per wrist	band	11-3 pm		
•	Dunk Booth: \$1.00 for 3 balls		11-2 pm		

### Free Kids Activities: Saturday

•	Fire Truck Tours: (Located at the Town Hall)	11-12:30 pm
•	Pioneer Games & Activities: DUP Cabin-Cabin Tours	11-2 pm
•	Candy & Water Balloon Catapult: Parent Supervision Required! Baseball Field	2:00 pm
•	Firetruck hose water spray:	3-3:30 pm

## **Saturday All Day Events**

- Volleyball: to sign up at team contact Todd or Susie Maughan, \$10.00 per team 435 760-7746
- Horseshoe Tournament: sign-up contact Roland or Ben Griffin, Roland 435-770-4658
- Town Phone Books and Library Book Sale: On Town Hall Lawn
- Cotton Candy: Newton Youth Council Fundraiser
- T-shirt Sale: Available until sold out!
- Merry and Bright Fundraiser

Special thanks to: Our many volunteers, donors, Local Newton Dairy Farmers with Dairy West, and Newton Market.

Cash, Checks, and Credit/Debit Cards (with a \$1 per transaction fee) will be accepted.

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