

WALLSBURG TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

May 7, 2026 - 7 pm

1. Call to Order 7:00PM

- a. Pledge of Allegiance - Completed
- b. Prayer – Rohn Hortin
- c. Roll Call – Peter Nielsen, Rohn Hortin, Celeni Richins, Terri Eisel, Mary Piscitelli, Alisha O’Driscoll,

Jeremy Kee (Bartlett Roofing), Jonelle Fitzgerald (Wasatch County Health Dept.), Coleen Nielsen (Wasatch County Health Dept.)

2. Consent Calendar: Be it hereby moved that the following consent calendar items stand approved:

- a. Agenda of the May 7, 2026 Town Council Meeting
- b. Minutes of the April 9, 2026 Town Council Meeting

Items stand approved.

3. Approve Budget

- a. April Budget and Check Register (and any questions)

Celeni Richins asked Mary Piscitelli if the weed spray at the Cemetery is what she expected it to cost, Mary Piscitelli confirmed. It was what was quoted and fairly close to last years cost. Celeni Richins commented that as we get close to the end of the fiscal year, we are noticing a lot of the departments getting close to 100%. Peter Nielsen commented except Street Maintenance (snow plowing). He will contact them again to get potholes filled. Celeni Richins commented that the garbage is a little low too.

Motion: Terri Eisel moves to approve the April budget and check register **Second:** Rohn Hortin **Vote:** Unanimous

- 4. **Public Comment (5 minutes):** This is the public’s opportunity to comment on items that are NOT on the agenda. Please come up to the table, state your name and address before making a comment, and speak loudly to assure comments are recorded properly. If you have specific questions or comments regarding items that ARE on the agenda, please contact the Wallsburg Town Council or Clerk after the meeting has adjourned.

None heard.

5. Agenda Items:

- a. **Main Canyon Road Project, CDBG Application Updates – Information and Discussion Only**

- i. Troy Ostler (CivCo Engineering) will discuss status Main Canyon Road Phase II & 2025 CDBG applications

Troy Ostler was not able to attend the meeting this evening. Sent written update: Main Canyon Road – The signage (Stop Signs) has been fixed. The work to be completed in the spring of 2026 will be as follows: 1. Profile grinding to smooth out the roadway (especially at the joints and in the section along the church) coming into town. 2. Chip Seal the entire roadway. 3. Final paint on the roadway. The project is scheduled in the spring (June 15, 2026, for chip seal) to be complete by June 30, 2026. I met with the contractor last week and verified that we are still on schedule. Peter Nielsen commented they will try to come earlier. Celeni Richins commented to not have them come before June 6th – the Utah Valley Marathon.

CDBG Grant Application – The environmental document for the stormwater study has been approved. As soon as we receive the contract from the state, this project will begin. The contract was received today in our office; we are working on analyzing the data for the stormwater analysis program. I am attaching the first draft of the Stormwater Master Plan for your review. We are still doing the in-house reviews with our engineering Staff. We anticipate providing you with the final draft to review before next month’s council meeting. We are working on the environmental clearance for the construction segment of the project. The State has determined that we need to request consultation from Native American Tribes concerning potential cultural sites, this request was sent to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe on February 26, 2026. They have 30 days to respond and then the environmental document. No response was received so the State has determined that we have no cultural sites within the project limits. Brandon Clark with the State has determined that he will not approve this environmental document until the master plans have been complete. This will be ready for him to approve in June. Once the environmental document has been approved, we will need to get the Mayor’s signature on it.

Wallsburg Town Cemetery Waterline – I have sent the draft bid document to Peter Nielsen to review. I will make any changes that he recommends. Peter Nielsen received it and is going to send for some additional specs to be included before posting. Peter Nielsen will also follow up with Troy Ostler on options for the road in front of the Fire Station in the meantime.

NO UPDATE: Joint Highway Committee – We were successful in getting funds for the City Streets in our request to the Joint Highway Committee. We were awarded \$873,000 (\$813,900 grant / \$59,100 local match) in FY 2029. These funds will not be fully secured until the complete Joint Highway process is followed, which will be on the first of October. However, once the funding request has been approved at this point, it has never been rejected. What this means is the design of the project can start on FY 28 (October of 2027) with construction in October 2028.

b. Health Department Annual Report – Information and Discussion Only

i. Wasatch County Health Department will make their annual report

Jonelle Fitzgerald thanked the Town for their time tonight. It is a requirement to do the annual report, but it's nice to get out in the valley to let everyone know what is going on. A few highlights from this past year. Mission to promote and protect the health and well being of individuals, families, and our community. A couple of board changes, but thankful for a full board. Coleen Nielsen as a local Wallsburg community member, background in EMS, and connection to schools gives valuable insight to the community. Basic overview – birth, death, marriage certificates, emergency preparedness department works closely with the county, medical reserve corps- retired medical professionals and trained ready to help members of the community, provide first aid at events, etc. open to volunteers. Environmental health department, waste water, air, food safety, lodging inspections. Epidemiology – disease tracking. Nutrition and physical activity promotion, substance abuse preventions, nursing, immunizations, dental clinic, baby your baby, WIC, etc. Love that nutrition education and clinical services are part of the WIC counseling. High Risk community member counseling, education. Working on a new falls prevention workshop with senior citizen community. Flu clinics. Budget – more than half of the income to the health department is from federal and state grants, next is taxes, then fees. A little over a \$4 million budget for the year. Over 100 health indicators that are watched closely to see how we are doing. Some of the sources are old and phone surveys are not as reliable in smaller communities. Takes a few years to combine data to be reliable. Watching things like life expectancy, general health, no health insurance, adults with diabetes, depression prevalence, adult obesity. Most are lower than the state average but always on the lookout. **Coleen Nielsen** Sharp Survey – this is offered to all 6th, 8th, 10th, and 12th graders to take. Used to have to opt out if you didn't want to take the survey, now you have to opt in. The number of kids taking the survey has gone down- but would love to get the word out to everyone how important it is to let the kids take the survey. Parent sign up on back to school night. Celeni Richins commented to add it to social media during back to school prep. Coleen Nielsen continued that it is 100% anonymous- helps create data to talk to kids, grandkids, etc about how to talk to them about their worries. This data came from the average last 3 years. Top 3 concerns- 1 is others using alcohol and drugs. 2 is suicide, they see a lot of depression and it just takes one for everyone to be worried about it. 3 is gun violence. Some of the trends seen are steroids are higher than national average, prescription drug use higher than state average, vapes and cigarettes are decreasing, chewing tobacco and nicotine patches are on the rise. Important for this information to go out so parents can look for this kind of thing. Awareness helps people see what to look out for. Mary Piscitelli asked how to get this out to the public. Coleen Nielsen explained that you can see things from Wasatch Behavioral Health- caring community coalition will go through this data and also consider the context and how to help the community be aware. You can see these results online. Celeni Richins commented that she wishes the survey could be done at home rather than at school. Jonelle Fitzgerald commented how that could create a bias and misunderstanding information and the purpose to raise awareness. Mental Health – we all know what a big problem this is becoming. Screentime is getting in the way of sleep, family, schoolwork. Social Media contributes to feeling worse about their bodies. Feel left out. Moderate depression on the rise. Bullying remains consistent. Suicide attempts have decreased across the state. Wasatch County youth report healthier body weights and more daily physical activity- new sports programs at Wasatch County helps with good friends, good mental health, new interests – helping across the board in addition to helping parents talk to their kids. Alisha O'Driscoll will gather and post more information about the Sharp Survey on social media.

c. Bartlett Roofing – Information and Discussion Only

i. Jeremy Kee with Bartlett Roofing will report on Town Hall roof inspection for hail damage

Jeremy Kee introduced himself, he is the contractor that has been helping replace roofs in Town. Severe hail storm in October last year. Since that storm he has successfully gotten approval from 43 property homeowners insurance to replace roofs. Has taken a look at the Town Hall roof- it is like a lot of the rest, hit very hard. Shared some photos from his walkthrough. Hundreds of hail marks in the roof, the roof isn't protected from sun and the elements, it will rapidly deteriorate now. From speaking with Peter Nielsen, this roof is now 12 years old- 30 year shingles will now be cut in half. In 5-7 years you'll be looking at a new roof. Recommends jumping on it now, the only cost to the people of Wallsburg would be the deductible on the property- which is substantially cheaper than the cost to replace the roof. Terri Eisel asked if he has visited the park. There are 3 shingled buildings. Jeremy Kee will look at them. Celeni Richins asked about the process. Jeremy Kee commented that he doesn't believe in shingle over shingle jobs. To move forward, set up a time with whoever would be best to call the insurance provider- Celeni Richins commented that would be her or Alisha O'Driscoll. Jeremy Kee continued, sitting down to get the process rolling with the insurance company. Adjuster will come out and do a full inspection, Jeremy Kee will meet the adjuster and make sure they see everything he sees. Full tear off, decking inspection, new materials. Peter Nielsen asked if he looked at the shed. Jeremy Kee hasn't yet. He will look at it. He commented that Traveler's insurance is a great company to work with. Regarding the question to if the rates will be raised for making a claim- Jeremy

Kee did 8 properties for an insurance agent last year and he got to know the gentleman, he was the one that let him know that insurance companies can not penalize you for filing a natural disaster claim. He has seen both from customers- letting him know that rates have gone up or down, the reason for that is that the roof is the #1 thing that protects the rest of the structure. Replacing that sets them to not have to look at it again for 40 years. Celeni Richins commented that she's happy to have them look at the options. All agreed it would be good information to have and projected costs, etc. Jeremy Kee reminded that the statute of limitations is 1 year from the storm. Just to make the insurance company aware of it within one year, work can be done up to 1 year after approval. Celeni Richins asked if they sub out the work or do it themselves. Both. Crews go through training with Owens Corning – technically sub contracted, but they don't allow their crews to do work for other contractors. Jeremy Kee will inspect the Town Hall shed, Park buildings this week. Alisha O'Driscoll will call Teran our insurance agent this week to get the ball rolling.

d. America's 250th, Summer Activities – Information and Discussion Only

i. Review activities for summer and celebrating America's 250th

Talked about moving kids baseball from Mondays and Wednesday to Thursdays. Miscellaneous discussion back and forth. Reviewed draft of calendar: Wallsburg Summer Calendar (DRAFT):

May 2026

Saturday May 9th: Mother's Day Flower Pot Painting (11am-12pm). \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided (Pot, Paints, Soil, Flower)

Wednesday May 20th: Youth Cemetery Cleanup (Time? PM) Youth of all 3 wards

Monday May 25th: Memorial Day

No Activity – Town puts flags on headstones

Friday May 29th: Summer Kick Off Party at the Park.

(5pm-7pm) Hamburgers, buns, fixins provided- bring a side or dessert to share. America's 250th Coloring Contest

June 2026

Wednesdays in June - 1:00PM

Library Storytime at the Park: Stories, Songs, Craft, Snacks

Thursday June 4th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10am)

Activity TBD \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided

Tuesday June 9th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10am)

Activity TBD \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided

CHANGE DATE Thursday June 11th: Trash Cleanup Activity (Time? PM) Walk to the park and clean up trash along the way.

Hotdogs, buns, fixins, smore's provided

Sunday June 14th: Fly Your Flag Day

No Activity – Town hang flags on Main Street

Celeni will get flags for the park, cemetery, flag poles

Friday June 20th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10am)

Fathers Day Craft TBD \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided

Wednesday June 24th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park(10am)

Amy Defa/USU Extension Nature Journals (FREE?)

CHANGE DATE Thursday June 25th: Flag Retiring and Outdoor Movie (Time? PM) Families can bring flags that need to be retired, coordinate with scouting for ceremony. Outdoor movie sponsored by the library. Sandlot? An American Tail? Popcorn/Peanuts. Coloring Contest.

July 2026

Wednesdays in July - 1:00PM

Library Storytime at the Park: Stories, Songs, Craft, Snacks

Thursday July 2nd: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10am)

Activity TBD \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided

Saturday July 4th: 4th of July Breakfast at the Park

(Time? AM) Breakfast, Fun Run? Amp it up a little.

Tuesday July 7th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10AM)

Activity TBD \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided

Wednesday July 15th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10AM)

Amy Defa/USU Extension Animal Tracks, Compasses, Fishing Activity (FREE?)

Wednesday July 22nd: Youth Park Cleanup

(Time? PM) Youth of all 3 wards

Thursday July 23rd: Community Dinner, Silent

Auction/Raffle – Ask 24th Committee

More details to come

Friday July 24th: 24th of July Celebration

More details to come

Thursday July 30th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10AM)

Activity TBD \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided

August 2026

Thursday August 6th: Kids Craft Activity at the Park (10AM)

Activity TBD \$5 Per Kid, All Supplies Provided

6. Department Reports

a. To discuss continued agenda items, assignments

i. Buildings (Peter Nielsen) Starting next month on the road punchlist. Peter Nielsen will follow up on the Town Ditch to Cemetery bid package – needs more details. Sprinkler system is programmed and going. Gordy is going to put in the landscape edging. It might have been ordered and at the town hall, will check on that. Order if not.

ii. Roads (Peter Nielsen) Terri Eisel commented that we could use rotomilling at the park if there is any during the project. Mary Piscitelli asked about potholes. Peter Nielsen will work with the county on that – they haven't returned his calls. Miscellaneous discussion about the Town responsibilities to mark, etc. how it all works. Rohn Hortin asked about the carpet in the gym. Would it be worth having someone come and clean the carpet? Miscellaneous discussion on removing the carpet and resurfacing the wood floor.

iii. Cemetery (Mary Piscitelli) Repaired cemetery road from sprinkler break. 6" deep ruts from water running all night by mistake. Sprinkler head repaired, road repaired with a load of road base- and they'll plan to not have that happen in the future, not running water overnight. Darla and Doyle Gardner headstone cleanings on Saturdays through Memorial Day. Talked to them and they worked on the pioneer white headstones. They are willing to help anyone learn how to do it. Need to get some sod to replace settled burials from last year, not before memorial day. Youth Cleanup on the 20th- question on the refreshments. Wards shouldn't have to foot the refreshments bill. Can the Town use the youth money for refreshments. Celeni Richins will get flags. Leave them up all summer for the 250th. Might want to do some more brackets for poles.

iv. Park (Terri Eisel) Porta Potty will be there until the 15th. Will turn water on in the bathrooms that weekend. Heard back from Jon Provost about arena material. County has a pile of dirt they've taken out of the arenas, welcome to have any of it that we need. Will come help calculate sand needed. Will catch up with Heath to coordinate getting some dirt. Will talk to others for help as needed. Park sprinklers are doing well, a few replacements to make here and there. Park looks really good.

v. Water (Rohn Hortin) Need to write a letter for users that have sprinklers hooked to culinary water to contact Rohn Hortin. He will work with each of them to get backflow in place. Alisha O'Driscoll will draft a letter for Rohn Hortin to approve and get sent out. Miscellaneous discussion on water usage requirements from the State. Peter Nielsen has been talking to Senator Stratton's office trying to get a public meeting set up for SB258. Will update with more.

vi. Mayor (Celeni Richins) Nothing to add.

vii. Clerk (Alisha O'Driscoll) Nothing to add.

b. Call for Agenda items for May Town Council Work Meeting (Expected May 14, 2026)

Budget review- move back to 7PM.

c. Call for Agenda items for June Town Council Meeting (Expected June 4, 2026)

Public hearing for Budget. Regular session. Troy Ostler update, Adopt next fiscal year budget. Anything else that comes up.

Terri Eisel spoke to the deputies about kids on 4wheelers causing problems. Any damage seen or suspected, call them back out.

Motion: Rohn Hortin moves to close public meeting and moved to closed session

Second: Peter Nielsen **Vote:** Unanimous

Time: 9:00PM

7. **Closed Session** to discuss private items, as allowed by Open and Public Meetings Act rules and regulations.

8. **Adjourn**

Motion: Terri Eisel moves adjourn

Second: Rohn Hortin **Vote:** Unanimous

Time: 9:15pm