MINUTES
ALTA TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 4:00 PM
Alta Community Center, 10351 E. Highway 210, Alta, Utah

PRESENT:	Mayor Roger Bourke Councilmember Carolyn Anctil (attended virtually) Councilmember John Byrne (attended virtually) Councilmember Elise Morgan Councilmember Dan Schilling
STAFF PRESENT:	Chris Cawley, Town Manager Mike Morey, Town Marshal Jen Clancy, Town Clerk (attended virtually) Molly Austin, Assistant Town Manager Brooke Boone, Deputy Town Clerk Craig Heimark, Treasurer
ALSO PRESENT:	Cameron Platt, Legal Counsel

1. **CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

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Mayor Bourke called the April 9, 2025 Alta Town Council meeting to order.

2. **CITIZEN INPUT**

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Mark Haik stated that they had submitted written comments and exhibits regarding the quantity and location of municipal water in the Town of Alta on several occasions, including in September 2024, December 2024, and February 2025. Haik questioned whether anyone had reviewed these submissions. He referenced a 2017 inspection of water sources in Albion Basin conducted by representatives from Salt Lake City Public Utilities, including Martin, Kirkham, Nelson, and the firm Hansen, Allen & Luce. The results of this inspection were submitted to the State Engineer's office in 2020 and were later cited in a water change application in September 2024. Haik expressed concern that Town of Alta representatives were not present during the 2017 inspection, despite past commitments from former officials, including Pollard and Sondak, to collaborate with Salt Lake City Public Utilities and former town employee Briefer. Haik questioned whether the Town of Alta intended to review both the September 2024 change application and the 2017 inspection and advocated for a public staff report on these matters. Additionally, Haik raised concerns that new construction at the Supreme lift could impact nearby spring sources and mine tunnels, including one associated with Burr. Haik urged the council to review the inspection findings and the related report from Hansen, Allen & Luce.

Creighton Hart expressed support for ACE's proposal to purchase the Our Lady of the Snows building. Hart stated that ACE, formed in 1995 and granted 501(c)(3) status in 1997, had been a tenant of the building since nearly its inception and would be a strong steward of the property moving forward. Hart argued that ACE, as a private nonprofit, would face fewer regulatory hurdles than the Town of Alta and could manage the building more effectively. They suggested that town funds would be better allocated to addressing deferred maintenance needs at both the current community building and Alta Central. Hart also criticized the idea of constructing a public restroom at the Our Lady of the Snows site, citing safety and location concerns due to its proximity to a narrow section of the canyon road and UDOT's public safety presence. Instead, they recommended considering other town-owned land or property near the Tom Moore building, which could be tied into the sewer system and support a multi-stall, ADA-compliant facility. Hart offered support in moving forward with alternative plans and concluded by distributing a written statement outlining their position.

Paul Lippert stated that they had maintained the Our Lady of the Snows building since its dedication. They shared that they had communicated with Town staff, Sara, and the Diocese regarding necessary repairs and issues with the building that would need to be addressed by any future owner.
Lippert provided historical context, noting that the initial funding to build the church came from an insurance settlement related to a chapel originally built by the Episcopalians. The building later transitioned to Catholic ownership under the Diocese. Lippert emphasized that Our Lady of the Snows is one of the few parishes in the diocese with a positive bank balance and no debt, describing it as a financially viable property. Lippert referred to the church as a "diamond in the rough" and expressed the desire for any future owner to preserve and build upon its legacy. While acknowledging that the Town of Alta could manage the property, Lippert stated a preference for ACE as the most suitable entity to take it over.

Sara Gibbs, representing Alta Community Enrichment (ACE), addressed the council and read a statement authored by Alta resident Cliff Curry. In his statement, Curry urged the Town Council to support ACE's effort to purchase the Our Lady of the Snows (OLS) building from the Catholic Diocese of Salt Lake City. He argued that local ownership by ACE would bring greater benefits to the community than a town purchase, including the potential for a public restroom at a major trailhead. Curry noted that Alta resident John Byrne had offered to cover the purchase cost through a donation to ACE, meaning the acquisition would not financially burden the town. Curry expressed concern that the town lacked the financial capacity to take on additional operational responsibilities and stated that any surplus funds should be returned to taxpayers. He emphasized that ACE had served the community for over 28 years with institutional integrity and credibility comparable to that of the town. He encouraged dialogue between the town and ACE to address any concerns about governance and suggested potential collaborative arrangements, including a right of first refusal and cooperative agreements for the property's use and maintenance. Curry also called for transparency, urging the town to keep meetings open and the public fully informed. He concluded that the town should support ACE rather than assume control of the property. After reading Curry's statement, Gibbs asked when a public hearing would be organized so that residents could have more than ten minutes to share their views on the matter.

3. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS CENTER

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Councilmember Schilling acknowledged the high level of community interest and emotion surrounding the topic. He noted that no decisions had been made and emphasized the intent to initiate dialogue, even if the allotted 15 minutes might prove insufficient. Sara Gibbs expressed disappointment that the town had not previously communicated that this meeting would include an open dialogue, stating that more community members would have attended had they known. Schilling responded that the town should schedule a future meeting specifically for that purpose and explained that real estate matters often required closed sessions. He added that the opportunity to consider the OLS purchase had only recently come before the council, giving them limited time for evaluation. Councilmember Morgan clarified that the council first became aware of the matter in February when Gibbs addressed them during a meeting. She underscored that the council had only been considering the issue for a little over two months. Gibbs added that town staff had known about the OLS opportunity since December, although she recognized that this information had not reached the council. She also stated that ACE had submitted a bid on February 18 and had offered the town a right of first offer at fair market value in case ACE could not fulfill its obligations. She noted that this offer had not been accepted by the council. Schilling responded that the February 18 submission followed the council's initial discussion, aligning with their timeline of awareness.

John Byrne then addressed the council, providing financial context related to the potential purchase. He stated that if the town acquired OLS at appraised value (estimated total cost of around $800,000), it could complete the transaction. However, Byrne cautioned that this would significantly reduce the capital expenditures (CapEx) fund—potentially lowering it to under $100,000 through 2026. He expressed concern over declining revenue, increasing expenses, and downward pressure on transfers from the general fund, projecting lean years ahead if the town moved forward. Byrne reiterated that while the purchase was possible, it would constrain the town's ability to take on additional projects in the near future. He also pointed to declining liquidity and potential concerns for future borrowing. Cawley expanded on Byrne's comments, suggesting that the town's long-term capital needs—such as replacing any of the town's current buildings—would likely require the use of debt or grants rather than savings. He supported the idea that spending down the CapEx fund would reduce flexibility for other projects and emphasized the importance of strategic planning.

Schilling highlighted that ownership of OLS would provide community-wide utility value and commended the town for publishing a public pros-and-cons list. He argued that the funds would be used toward something beneficial, not lost. Morgan noted that during the January council retreat—prior to learning about the OLS opportunity—the council had already discussed the need for alternative funding mechanisms for major projects. Byrne agreed, stating his memo was intended to provide data, not definitive answers, and that operating with a lean CapEx fund might be acceptable depending on priorities.

Schilling concluded that regardless of who ultimately acquires OLS, the discussion highlighted growing pressures on the town's infrastructure. He encouraged stakeholders to revisit the January retreat discussions, which he found informative, particularly regarding the challenges Alta faces as visitor numbers grow.

4. **ALTA SKI AREA UPDATE, MIKE MAUGHAN**

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Mike Maughan noted the nearing end of the ski season, highlighting that Alta was wrapping up its 87th season. He mentioned efforts to capture photos for the 88th season's promotional materials. Despite no significant storms on the horizon, he noted the recent great powder skiing and anticipated spring conditions moving forward. Maughan projected that the ski season would rank as the third best in Alta's history in terms of ski visits and finances but mentioned that IKON and Snowbird visitation was down, as well as day ticket sales. However, Alta had seen an increase in season pass sales and noted that many visitors were first-time skiers at Alta.

Maughan shared concerns about economic uncertainty affecting future season pass sales, mentioning a general decline in sales for major ski areas, such as IKON and Epic, with many people waiting to see how the economy fares. Maughan said the ski area is anticipating a softer season next year based on the trends mentioned. He also mentioned upcoming summer projects, including plowing to the Supreme lift base area by mid-May for construction and working closely with the US Forest Service on campground water systems.

Maughan invited the community to a business recap event scheduled for April 17, 2025, at Our Lady of the Snows from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m., where the ski area would discuss this season's outcomes and summer plans. He also noted that Alta's reservation system continued to receive positive feedback but would be adjusted next season to address issues such as increased no-shows. To monitor the system more accurately, they were considering installing cameras to track every vehicles exiting Alta.

Elise Morgan inquired about any status updates for the cross-tow project. Maughan confirmed the joint project between the ski area and town would involve placing high pressure snowmaking lines and updating the town's water system. He also shared that power outages this year had revealed a lack of a power link between the Albion and Wildcat bases, and part of the summer project would involve installing a new power line. The project would take most of the summer and would involve extensive trenching across the rope tow area, with work beginning at the Wildcat base and moving east. Mayor Bourke and other councilmembers expressed appreciation for the partnership and the joint effort between the town and ski area.

5. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-R-6 APPOINTING PAUL MOXLEY TO THE ALTA PLANNING COMMISSION**

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Mayor Bourke introduced resolution 2025-R-6 to appoint Paul Moxley to the Alta Planning Commission, following Rob Voye's 17-year term. He praised Voye for his service and noted that Moxley, a former town council member, was well-suited for the role. The Mayor also explained that the Planning Commission requires expertise in planning, architecture, environment, and business, with Maren potentially covering the business role that Voye previously filled leaving the at large seat to be filled by Moxley.

Paul Moxley introduced himself as a long-time resident of Blackjack Condos and a former town council member. He shared a bit about his 53 years of legal experience, specializing in SEC law and criminal insider trading cases. He highlighted his involvement in several significant cases in the community, including representing goldminers during the 1985 crash and handling a residency matter in state court. Moxley also represented the town in the Shrontz litigation. He expressed appreciation for the appointment and hoped the council would approve him for the Planning Commission.

MOTION: Dan Schilling motioned to approve Resolution 2025-R-6. Elise Morgan seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mayor Bourke – yes, Councilmember Schilling – yes, Councilmember Morgan – yes, , Councilmember Byrne – yes, Councilmember Anctil – yes, Resolution 2025-R-6 appointing Paul Moxley to the Alta Planning Commission was unanimously approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

Carolyn Anctil left the meeting.

6. **QUESTIONS REGARDING DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

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John Byrne praised the piece Jen wrote on the OLS issue, noting it fairly represented both sides of the argument. He also commended Chris for his excellent work on the crosstow project and expressed excitement about its progress. Regarding the financials, Byrne acknowledged the changing financial landscape, mentioning a potential decrease in revenue by a couple hundred thousand dollars and an increase in expenses by about $300,000. He cautioned that while the days of significant surpluses might be over, the financials were well-done and comprehensive.

7. **APPROVAL OF MARCH 12, 2025 ALTA TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 2, 2025 SPECIAL ALTA TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES, MARCH STAFF AND FINANCE REPORTS**

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MOTION: Elise Morgan motioned to approve the March 12, 2025 Alta Town Council meeting minutes, April 2, 2025 Special Town Council meeting minutes, and March staff and finance reports. Dan Schilling seconded.

VOTE: All were in favor. The March 12, 2025 Alta Town Council meeting minutes, April 2, 2025 Special Town Council meeting minutes, and March staff and finance reports were approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. **MAYORS REPORT**

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Mayor Bourke began by praising the Little Cottonwood Canyon Road Committee as a successful collaboration between multiple agencies, such as UTA, UDOT, UFA, and others, in maintaining the safety and functionality of the Little Cottonwood Canyon road. He described this effort as a model of government cooperation, with Mike Morey leading the group effectively. He then addressed a recent legislative change that prohibits public entities from adding fluoride to water. Bourke clarified that the town's water supplier, District Number 3, has never added fluoride, and the natural fluoride level in the water is much lower than the CDC's recommended level. He explained that fluoride at the recommended concentration helps reduce cavities, particularly in young children, without causing adverse effects.

Mayor Bourke also mentioned that he and Chris would attend the Utah League of Cities and Towns Mid-Year Conference, which he finds valuable for both improving his role and networking with other government officials. He highlighted the Resort Community Caucus, where resort community leaders share experiences and insights.

Lastly, Mayor Bourke reminded everyone that the next town council meeting is scheduled for May 14 at 4:00 PM.

9. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE, SHELLEY TEUSCHER & CAMERON PLATT**

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Shelley Teuscher provided an update on several key pieces of legislation from the recent session. She began with the increase in the state's transient room tax by 1%, bringing it to 1.32%. She noted that this could influence discussions about the town's potential increase of its own transient room tax. A portion of this increase (0.25%) goes to the Expo Center in Sandy. Teuscher also highlighted the passing of the traction control bill, which empowers UDOT to implement traction control measures during both predicted and existing weather conditions. She promised to monitor any future rulemaking on this matter and keep the council informed.

Teuscher then discussed the short-term rental bill, which allows the town to use short-term rental listings as evidence of illegal rentals, but with the stipulation that it cannot be the only evidence. Cameron Platt clarified that additional proof would be required, such as tax records or testimonials. The bill also permits the town to require owners to obtain a business license and allows the town to request short-term rental sites to remove illegal listings.

On the land use front, Teuscher mentioned a significant bill that addresses various land use issues, including the maintenance of public amenities by private entities, the submission of private landscaping plans, and the implementation of deadlines for reviewing applications. One of the key provisions is that public hearings will no longer be required for variance requests or land use appeals, which could reduce contentious hearings. Another bill addressed the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI), mandating that towns adopt specific building code standards related to fire safety. If the state adopts new standards, towns must comply within two years, or they may lose state funding for firefighting.

Teuscher also touched on the town's new data privacy requirements, which include training for employees and notifying the public when personal data is collected. The town must also report data breaches and could face audits of its privacy practices. A new process was introduced for individuals deemed to be threatened, allowing them to make modifications to their homes without going through the standard plan approval process, provided the changes comply with fire codes.

Regarding staffing, Teuscher mentioned that the town has until January 2026 to hire or contract with a qualified building official, a requirement the town is already in compliance with. Other legislative changes included new rules around the dismissal of town managers, the need for a quorum at truth in taxation hearings, and the ability for individuals to substitute community service for criminal fines. She also mentioned bills that did not pass, a bill that would have allowed significant community impact projects without local consent, one that would have required municipalities to allow residential development in commercial zones, one related to the sale of fireworks where they cannot be legally used, and finally one proposing a state park in the Cottonwood Canyons.

Cameron Platt continued by highlighting additional legislative updates of importance to the town. He began by mentioning HB 20, which provides relief for property tax payments and exemptions for active and deployed members of the armed forces. He also discussed changes to the fireworks code, which will come up in the meeting later that evening. The new statute takes effect on May 7, and the town's notice resolution needs to be submitted by May 1. Platt explained that the changes mainly concern the type of fireworks the town can regulate, requiring updates for future years.

Platt also covered HB 64, which mandates bonding for public officials and officers. He noted that the town already has criminal coverage that meets the statute's requirements, so they will only need to pass an ordinance setting the bonding or insurance limits. Additionally, there were two changes to the Government Records Access Management Act (GRAMA). One change reclassifies voter information as either public or protected, limiting what public officials can access and share. Another change puts government officials under the same obligations as the public when making requests for voter data.

A particularly noteworthy bill, HB 77, addresses flag regulations. The legislature now restricts the flags that can be flown on public property, limiting them to a list of approved flags such as the U.S. flag, military flags, and flags of educational institutions. He mentioned that a flag for the town, such as the ACE Community flag if approved, could still be displayed as long as it was officially recognized.

There was also a bill related to water rates, HB 274, which requires rates to encourage conservation. This would likely affect the town's tiered water pricing system, with higher rates for higher usage to discourage wastefulness. Platt mentioned other bills, including one about regulation of real estate open houses (HB 422), and another on conflict-of-interest disclosures for municipal candidates (HB 504), which mirrors a requirement from last year.

Finally, Craig Heimark brought attention to an important amendment in SB 195 that directly impacts the town of Alta. The amendment requires UDOT to implement their gondola project in phases, ensuring that each phase is completed before moving to the next. Heimark noted that this would likely delay the construction of the gondola and may lead to a reevaluation of the project, especially considering UDOT's budget constraints.

10. **FACILITIES MASTER PLAN UPDATE, CHRIS CAWLEY**

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The town council discussed a mix-up on the agenda regarding the inclusion of Facilities Master Plan update. The agenda mistakenly listed it for the current meeting, but it was clarified that the item should be rescheduled for the next month. Jen Clancy pointed out that a specific date needed to be given for the rescheduling, which was confirmed as May 14. Chris Cawley expressed his hope that the project would be finished by then so he could present it, and everyone agreed to the new date.

> **MOTION**: Dan Schilling motioned to move the item to the May 2025 council meeting, specifying May 14. Elise Morgan seconded the motion.
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> **VOTE:** No vote was called.

11. **FY2026 PROJECTS UPDATE, CHRIS CAWLEY**

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Chris Cawley provided an update on key projects and budget planning efforts for the upcoming fiscal year. The presentation served as a progress report on current initiatives and a preview of projects under consideration for the next fiscal year. As part of the annual budget development process, the council is preparing to review and approve a tentative budget at the May 14 meeting. One budget committee meeting has been held, with two more scheduled in the weeks leading up to the council's budget consideration.

Cawley reported on the Crosstown Waterline Project, noting that the council recently approved a contract with Newman for the procurement of materials and the section of the project not being completed by Alta Ski Area. The total estimated project cost is now approximately $620,000—well below the original engineer's estimate of $900,000. Financial arrangements between the town and the ski area are still being finalized. The budget was amended to show $400,000 in current (FY25) fiscal year expenses, reducing the water fund balance to nearly zero. A general fund loan to the water fund is anticipated in FY26 for the remainder of the project's cost, projected at close to $300,000.

The town's Water and Sewer Master Plan remains incomplete. Cawley reported that while a preliminary list of capital improvement recommendations has been received, a full draft is still pending. Additional updates will include utility extension options for areas like West Grizzly and Emma Heights and guidance on infrastructure replacement. Most of the existing system is about 50 years old, and while still functional, will require phased replacement planning. The Facilities Master Plan, led by FFKR, is also still in development. It will include space planning recommendations, very basic massing renderings of potential future structures, and cost estimates for facility upgrades. A facility condition assessment was completed in the fall of 2024 and will be finalized as the project concludes, although the Tom Moore Historic Structure Report has been delayed due to snow coverage.

Looking ahead to fiscal year 2026, Cawley outlined several potential projects. These include targeted safety and code compliance upgrades across the town's three major buildings—Alta Central, the community center, and the main town building. Proposed upgrades include electrical improvements, installation of ground fault indicator outlets, and door replacements, particularly at Alta Central. Roof safety systems are also a focus, following recent manual snow removal due to structural concerns with the building's snow load capacity.

Cawley discussed the expanding needs of the Alta Marshal's Office, including the need for additional space to accommodate a fifth deputy. A proposed solution involves converting an existing large room at Alta Central into two smaller rooms at an estimated cost of $7,000. An additional proposal includes constructing an ADA-accessible interview room in the northeast corner of the building, which would be combined with the installation of a dedicated internet connection for the Town of Alta. The estimated cost for this combined project is $15,000.

In preparation for future facility development, the town will undertake as-built surveys, geotechnical evaluations, and environmental assessments to determine the most viable site for potential new construction. While town ownership of the land is confirmed, public record inconsistencies remain at the assessor's office. Avalanche studies were discussed but will be deferred until the design phase to avoid redundant costs. One of the primary objectives for the next fiscal year is to make a decision about whether to replace a building and which building to prioritize. If that determination is made, the following year would include planning for a design-build process and related funding efforts.

Schilling emphasized the importance of making a significant decision in the coming year and highlighted that recent retreats have served as preparatory groundwork. Morgan added that a mid-summer retreat—ideally in July or August—should be scheduled to address upcoming planning efforts such as the facility plan, the water and sewer master plan, and overall strategic planning. Schilling and Morgan agreed that such a meeting should take place before winter.

Cawley then transitioned into updates on various infrastructure and administrative projects. He reported progress and renewed confidence in executing a major water line project and expressed appreciation for prior funding support. He noted that a separate effort to install remote-read water meters was ongoing. Cawley also emphasized the need to reassess capital projects and update the town's capital plan.

In planning and land use, Cawley advocated for retaining budget allocations for consulting roles and emphasized that the town's land use code and general plan are outdated. He suggested a comprehensive review for functionality and compliance with state law and proposed initiating a general plan update in fiscal year 2027. Cawley also discussed the adoption of the WUI (Wildland Urban Interface) code and anticipated a busy year for the Planning Commission. He outlined goals for GIS improvements, including updating parcel data and migrating mapping systems to ArcGIS Online.

On building and development matters, Cawley mentioned the need to revise the building permit fee schedule and begin work on an impact fee facilities plan. He also discussed the town shuttle program, one of the largest budget items. Although popular, the future years' shuttle programs may depend on possible changes in UTA ski bus service. He noted that resident contributions to the program had not increased in over a decade and might be revisited to supplant increased expenses associated with providing the service.

Cawley brought attention to a draft of the employee handbook, the first in nine years, which will require council input due to its implications for compensation and benefits. He also raised succession planning for Marshal Mike Morey and the hiring of a fifth deputy to support operational continuity.

Regarding public safety and emergency management, Cawley praised a grant won by Deputy Spencer for mental health resources. He acknowledged the outdated emergency operations plan and laid out key areas needing updates, such as mutual aid agreements and evacuation plans. A potential NIMS training session in the fall could kick off this project.

Cawley also discussed the unresolved issue of civil code enforcement, specifically the lack of an administrative backend and a hearing officer; Cawley indicated that funds remain in the budget to address it. He and Morgan agreed that a strategic planning meeting in late summer or early fall would be appropriate to evaluate outcomes of ongoing master planning efforts. Cawley encouraged council participation in League of Cities and Towns conferences to broaden perspectives, particularly as turnover occurs on the town council.

In the final moments, Byrne raised concerns about the lack of planning around the potential purchase of OLS. The council agreed that a public meeting should be the next step to move forward. Cawley acknowledged that capital fund expenditures for the purchase could limit flexibility for future facility upgrades. The discussion closed with agreement on the importance of completing that planning work before advancing any related actions.

12. **<u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT THE MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLANNING PROGRAM REPORT FOR 2024</u>**

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Cawley stated that the municipal wastewater planning program report, which must be adopted annually due to the town operating a wastewater collection system, had previously been submitted in a flawed format through a Google form. Many of the survey responses were not included in the document provided to the council. A corrected version was prepared by Molly. While Cawley initially expressed disagreement with some responses in the report upon further review, he no longer had concerns. The main issue involved whether projected capital improvement reserve funds were sufficient for the next five years. Cawley confirmed they were, based on a review of the capital account and sewer rate tool, which projected a $500,000 sewer project in FY27 and indicated the Town's current rate is consistent with longer-term projections designed to increase capital reserves. He noted the cost of addressing a sag in the Goldminers lot is uncertain, but current projections align with the capital plan. He recommended adopting the report unless there were further questions.

MOTION: Elise Morgan motioned to approve the 2024 municipal wastewater planning program report, and Dan Schilling seconded.

VOTE: All in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

RESULT: APPROVED

13. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-R-7 UPDATING THE BUDGET COMMITTEE CHARTER**

02:01:15

Cawley explained that the town has made significant changes to employee compensation over the past few years. A consultant specializing in public sector compensation benchmarking was hired, providing access to a robust database used by many public entities in Utah. The town had implemented changes to improve retention and recruitment. Cawley acknowledged that during the development of the wage study framework a comprehensive compensation strategy had not been developed with the council. Rather than creating a new compensation committee, staff proposed empowering the existing Budget Committee to recommend an annual or long-term compensation strategy. Schilling, Byrne, and Mayor Bourke all expressed support for the resolution and praised the decision to use the existing committee rather than forming a new one.

MOTION: Dan Schilling motioned to approve Resolution 2025-R-7. Elise Morgan seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmember Morgan – yes, Councilmember Schilling – yes, Mayor Bourke – yes, Councilmember Morgan – yes, Councilmember Anctil – not present, Resolution 2025-R-7 updating the Budget Committee Charter was unanimously approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

14. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-R-8 REGARDING FIREWORKS RESTRICTIONS**

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Mayor Bourke confirmed that fireworks are disallowed in town, and Schilling noted that the wording of the restriction remained unchanged from the previous year. Platt clarified that while state law permits fireworks around July 4th and 24th, the town's resolution prohibits them entirely during those periods due to wildfire risk.

MOTION: Dan Schilling motioned to approve Resolution 2025-R-. Mayor Bourke seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmember Byrne – yes, Councilmember Morgan – yes, Councilmember Schilling – yes, Mayor Bourke – yes, Councilmember Anctil – not present, Resolution 2025-R-8 restricting fireworks was unanimously approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

15. **NEW BUSINESS**

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Schilling shared that a book signing event would be held on Friday at Snowbird Center featuring Dick Fluey, whose memoir recounts his experiences in the 1950s, particularly related to the Columbus

Consolidated and the Wasatch drain tunnel. He encouraged those interested in Alta's history to attend, describing the book as an important firsthand account of local mining life.

16. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO COMMENCE A CLOSED MEETING TO DISCUSS A MATTER AUTHORIZED BY UTAH CODE SECTION 52-4-205(1)(a)**

02:08:00

MOTION: Dan Schilling motioned to commence a closed meeting to discuss a matter authorized by Utah code section 52-4-205(1)(a). Mayor Bourke seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmember Byrne – yes, Councilmember Morgan – yes, Councilmember Schilling – yes, Mayor Bourke – yes, Councilmember Anctil – not present, a closed meeting was authorized.

RESULT: APPROVED

17. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

John Byrne did not reenter the public meeting.

MOTION: Dan Schilling motioned to adjourn, and Elise Morgan seconded.

VOTE: All in favor. The meeting was unanimously adjourned.

RESULT: APPROVED

Passed this 14th day of , 2025

Jen Clancy

Jen Clancy, Town Clerk