



Town of Leeds

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Newsletter

Second Quarter

2026

Mayor's Message

Dear Fellow Leeds Residents,

The Annual Leeds Easter Egg Hunt will take place at 8:30am on Saturday, April 4 in the Town Park.

A good time was had by those who attended the Grillin' and Chillin' Town event on March 20, although the end of winter was accompanied by non-chillin' temperatures. Monthly Town Cookout Dinners will be held on the third Friday of each month during the second quarter at 6:30pm at the Peach Pit Pavilion in the Town Park behind Town Hall. Details on how these dinners will work are provided on page two of this newsletter. Please join your Leeds neighbors at these community events on April 17, May 15 and June 19.

Almost all of Leeds has been designated by the State as High Risk Wildland Urban Interface ("WUI") Properties for fires. Going forward, those properties so designated will be required to pay an annual fee to the State for the cost of the program to assess properties and maintain the official State WUI risk map. Properties that have hardened construction and better managed vegetation will pay a lower fee than other residences of similar size. We have arranged for, provided he is not out on assignment, Battalion Chief Dave Harmon of the Hurricane Valley Fire Special Service District to make a presentation and answer questions on High Risk WUI at the Town Council Meeting on Wednesday, May 13 at 7pm. How you respond to the WUI risk your property faces will potentially impact the cost and availability of homeowner's insurance. Please see the WUI and Becoming Firewise information at the top of page two of this newsletter.

Facebook users, please follow the new Facebook Group: Leeds Utah Official Notifications. The Town Clerk/Recorder is administering Leeds Utah Official Notifications.

If you ever have any questions, please contact me via email at Mayor@Leeds.Utah.gov, or by phone at Town Hall on (435)879-2447 or at home on (435)767-9145.

Best Regards, *Wayne*

Town Clean Up Volunteer Opportunities—Showing We Care About Our Town

A Town Clean Up will be held on Saturday, May 2, from 8am until noon. We will be working to clean up the Town's cemeteries in advance of Memorial Day. Bring your rake, gloves and weeding tools and join your fellow Leeds residents in these efforts. The Town will provide trash bags and water. If May 2 conflicts with your calendar, additional work will be done on Saturday, May 23 at 8am. If neither date works, please consider emailing Clerk@Leeds.Utah.gov to volunteer for a small clean up project from a list the Town has.

CURRENTLY SCHEDULED

Wednesday, Apr. 1 @7pm
Planning Commission

Saturday, Apr. 4 @8:30am
Easter Egg Hunt

Wednesday, Apr. 8 @7pm
Town Council

Friday, Apr. 17 @6:30pm Town
Cookout Dinner

Wednesday, Apr. 22 @7pm
Town Council

Saturdays, May 2 & 23 @8am
Town Clean Ups

Wednesday, May 6 @7pm
Planning Commission

Wednesday, May 13 @7pm
Town Council

Friday, May 15 @6:30pm Town
Cookout Dinner

Wednesday, May 27 @7pm
Town Council

Wednesday, June 3 @7pm
Planning Commission

Wednesday, June 10 @7pm
Town Council

Friday, June 19 @6:30pm Town
Cookout Dinner

June 19 & 20 Dumpster Days

Wednesday, June 24 @7pm
Town Council

Wildland Urban Interface (“WUI”) and Becoming Firewise

Utah House Bill 48 (HB 48), titled “Wildland Urban Interface Modifications”, was passed during the 2025 General Legislative Session in Utah. HB 48’s primary intent is to increase awareness of wildfire risk and encourage property owners to share the responsibility of reducing that risk in the WUI. Under HB 48, property owners in the high-risk WUI may request lot assessments to develop personalized risk mitigation strategies. A property fee, which will apply whether or not you have an assessment done, will help support these assessments. This and other important information about the WUI may be found at <https://ffsl.utah.gov/wuirisk/> . Lot assessments have not begun, but at the bottom of that webpage is a link that allows you to be put on the waitlist for a lot assessment once the program goes live.

One of the objectives in the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands Strategic Plan is to build communities’ understanding of the risks of wildfire and ensure they know how to reduce risk to life and property. One of the strategies to meet this objective is to increase the number of Firewise USA recognized communities. Firewise is a program of the National Fire Protection Association (“NFPA”). Information about this NFPA program may be found at: <https://www.nfpa.org/education-and-research/wildfire/firewise-usa> .

Some of our residents may not be physically up to doing the work to make their property Firewise. If you require assistance, or would be willing to volunteer to provide assistance to those who need it, please contact the Town Clerk/Recorder at Clerk@Leeds.Utah.gov or (435) 879-2447.

New Unincorporated Washington County Land Use Zone

The Washington County Planning Commission recommended a Planned Development Multi Family zone (“PDMFZ”) be available on 5-acre or larger parcels in unincorporated Washington County between I-15 mileposts 16 and 31, within one mile of either side of the Interstate. Maximum density of 18 residential units per acre, with a maximum height of 40 feet, and at least 0.5 miles between PDMFZs with 100 or more residential units in the PDMFZs, were details of the recommendation. Before approving the zone the County Commissioners eliminated the west side of I-15 from availability for PDMFZs, reduced the maximum density to 15 residential units per acre, decreased the maximum height to 35 feet, and required 0.5 miles between PDMFZs, regardless of number of units. Thanks to all of the Leeds residents who spoke up on this issue.

Town Cookout Dinners

Join your Leeds neighbors at the Peach Pit Pavilion at 6:30pm on Apr. 17, May 15 & June 19. The Town will provide a charcoal fire for cooking, water, lemonade and cups. Bring your own entrée to grill, plate and cutlery, and a side dish or dessert to share.

Vegetation Encroaching on Leeds Roads

Residents are responsible for vegetation growing within the road right-of-way alongside their properties. While vegetation’s roots can help stabilize and protect the edge of the road, growth extending into the pavement area can become a navigation hazard. Please prune vegetation growing over the pavement back to the edge of the road and consider volunteering to help others.

Bring Proof of Residency to Dumpster Days

The Second Quarter Dumpster Days will be on June 19-20. Please note that the dumpsters may not be delivered until late afternoon on June 19. Please bring proof of Leeds area residency to Dumpster Days. Concerns have been raised that large volumes of materials have been brought to the dumpsters from outside the Leeds area.

Rock Walls of Leeds

The Silver Reef Foundation and the Washington County Historical Society are sponsoring an all-volunteer project to create a historical record of the rock walls (a.k.a. stone walls) of Leeds. The objective of the Rock Walls of Leeds project is to create a visual and, if known, written historical record of as many of the rock walls as feasible. This project is designed to be interactive with the property owners of Leeds who wish to participate. For additional information please go to: <https://www.backroadswest.com/blog/rock-walls/>

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