

APRIL 2026

MANILA MATTERS:

YOUR TOWN, YOUR UTILITIES, YOUR NEWS

Town Newsletter

Stay informed about everything happening in our community! Visit the Town of Manila website or simply scan the QR codes posted around town to access the latest edition of our newsletter. It's packed with valuable updates and important information you won't want to miss.



Landfill Hours Change Friendly Reminder

Effective April 1st, the Town of Manila Landfill will start its spring hours of operation:

Open Hours:

Every Monday 10am-3pm, Tuesday 8am-11:30, & **EVERY** Saturday of the month 7:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Important Notice:

All loads must be tarped and securely tied down to ensure the highway remains clean and safe for all drivers. **Please plan to be out of the landfill by 11:30 a.m. so the gates can be closed by noon.**

For full details and pricing, visit:
<https://manilautah.com/public-works/landfill-information>

Thank you for your cooperation!

Closure of RV Dump Station

You may have noticed that the RV Dump Station next to the Town Office has been closed. Effective **immediately**, the station is no longer in service, and the water hydrant, guardrail, and signage will be removed.

The Town of Manila has secured grant funding and entered into a contract to construct a new RV Dump Station, pending approval of a zone change by the County. The new facility will accommodate two trailers at a time, improving efficiency and cleanliness.

Due to significant damage to the existing building, the station will be relocated. Interior upgrades to the building are nearly complete, with new siding and roofing scheduled to begin in the coming weeks.

We appreciate your patience and support as we work toward providing better services for our community!



Cement blocks were added to prevent the hydrant from being damaged repeatedly.



Garbage Pickup

Garbage pickup is on **Mondays at 7:00 a.m.** Please have your garbage cans on the street by that time to ensure timely and efficient collection.

Helpful Reminders:

- **Place your garbage can on the street.** If it's not curbside, it may be missed. Public Works will return your can to the fence line after pickup to prevent it from blowing away.
- **Do not hang garbage bags on trees or fence posts.** These will not be picked up.
- **Double-bag fish waste.** In warmer months, especially if you are disposing of fish guts, please double-bag them. This helps prevent bags from breaking and stops maggots from ending up on the street.
- **Secure your dogs.** If dogs are not properly secured, Public Works will not collect your garbage for safety reasons.

Public Works appreciates all residents who continue to bring their cans to the street. Your help and support make a big difference!

Thank you for helping keep our community clean and safe.

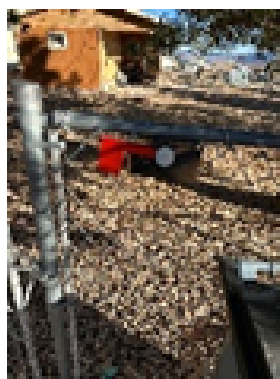
A few months ago, we shared a photo (left) of a resident who placed a red flag on their garbage can to alert Public Works that it needed to be emptied. The Town has since purchased red flags (below), and an employee who was on light duty has been placing them on garbage cans where they are clearly visible. When you set your garbage can out, please raise the red flag to indicate that it needs to be emptied. If you would like a flag, please contact the office at 435-784-3143. There is no charge for this service.



Here is an example of how one resident lets Public Works know they have trash ready for pickup.

Two years ago, Public Works collected garbage using a dump trailer, which took 5-7 hours and required several trips to the landfill, involving 2-3 staff members. About a year ago, the Town purchased a garbage truck, reducing collection time to approximately three hours with just one trip to the landfill.

Now, since every can does not have to be checked for garbage, collection time has been reduced even further, to about two hours, while still requiring only one trip to the landfill.



THANK YOU!

UNLEASHED DOGS

The Town Administration has received reports of dogs running at large within town limits. For everyone's safety, we would like to remind residents that Manila Municipal Code 6.05.030 states that dogs are not permitted to run at large within the town.

The Code further states in Section 6.05.050, Violation and Penalty: "Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be punished by a fine of not less than \$10.00, imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

Please ensure that dogs are kept on a leash at all times.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping keep our community safe for both residents and their pets.

IMPORTANT Summer Landfill Hours

Summer weekly landfill hours are:

Monday: 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The gates will be locked promptly at closing times to allow the garbage to be properly buried and prevent it from blowing around.

REMEMBER: If it's too windy to fish on the lake, the landfill will likely be closed as well.

Utility Bill Reminder

Water and sewer rates will increase **effective July 1, 2026**. If you are enrolled in auto pay, please double-check your account to ensure your payment amount has been updated. This will help prevent past-due balances.

When submitting a payment by check and mailing it to the Town Office, please include all postcard stubs or clearly note all account numbers associated with the payment.

As a reminder, if you use auto pay, please check the expiration date of the credit card on file. While we will notify you, notification does not occur until the account balance reaches \$500.00 or more. If you are behind on your account, we can set up a payment plan. The best practice is to update your payment method as soon as you receive a new credit card to avoid any interruption in payments.

Address Verification

It is required that all homes be clearly identified with their legal house number. This is mandatory under IRC code and ensures that, in case of an emergency, emergency personnel can quickly locate your address. It also assists utility workers, visitors, FedEx/UPS deliveries, and Blue Stakes in finding your property without issue.

Effective **immediately**, if the Town is required to put or assign a house number to your property, a \$25.00 fee will be added to your utility bill. Please note that Bridger Valley, Union Wireless, and Public Works will no longer provide services to your properties that are not properly numbered. Thank you for your cooperation. The following is directly from the International Residential Code (IRC):

Section R319: Site Address



R319.1: Address identification. INSIGHTS

Buildings shall be provided with *approved* address identification. The address identification shall be legible and placed in a position that is visible from the street or road fronting the property. Address identification characters shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numbers or alphabetical letters. Numbers shall not be spelled out. Each character shall be not less than 4 inches (102 mm) in height with a stroke width of not less than 0.5 inch (12.7 mm). Where required by the fire code official, address identification shall be provided in additional *approved* locations to facilitate emergency response. Where access is by means of a private road and the building address cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means shall be used to identify the structure. Address identification

Monthly Town Meetings – Get Involved!

Have questions about new construction, road maintenance, utility rates, or town policies? You're not alone, and we encourage you to get involved!

Planning & Zoning Meetings

When: 1st Monday of each month at **5:30 p.m.** (Unless otherwise posted)

Great for questions about building permits, zoning, and land use.



Town Council Meetings

When: 2nd Thursday of each month at **5:30 p.m.** (Unless otherwise posted)

Ideal for discussions on ordinances, resolutions, and town-wide decisions.

Reminder:

If you visit www.utahpublicnotice.gov, you can sign up to receive notifications about Town and County meetings on a weekly or monthly basis.

Residents are always welcome to attend. If you'd like to speak or raise a concern, you can **fill out a brief form** and address the appropriate council.

Your voice matters, come be a part of the conversation shaping our community!

We'd also like to thank those of you who have been attending our meetings. It's wonderful to see more community members getting involved and engaged.

Open Public Meeting

There will be a meeting on **April 10th at 10:00 a.m.** with Trona Valley Credit Union to explore the possibility of establishing a small office in Manila for our residents. The meeting will be held at the Seniors Center, and all are welcome to attend. If you are able, your attendance and support for this potential community amenity would be greatly appreciated.

Online Water Usage Access

Monitor Your Water Usage from Home

We have made it possible for you to view your water usage from home as well.

Some older water meters need to be replaced because they cannot be read by the antennae. If you reside full-time in the Town/County and would like to monitor your water usage, a computer has been set up at the Town Office to assist you with signing into your account.

We are rolling out online access so **every** water user can easily track their usage and catch potential leaks before it's too late.

How to Set Up Your Customer Account:

1. Go to: <https://TownofManila.my360-app.com>
2. Click "Create Account."
3. Check the box confirming you have read and accepted the website's terms and conditions, then click Continue.
4. Enter the following information as written on your statement:
 - Your account number (no dashes or dots)
 - Full name on the account
 - Property address
5. If you do not know this information, please contact the Town Office at 435-784-3143 and we will help you enter the correct details.
6. Click Continue.
7. Choose your security question and provide your answers.
8. You will receive an email to verify your account. Open the email, accept it, and sign in.

If you have any questions at any point, do not hesitate to call us. We are excited to offer this new feature to better serve our valued customers.

Road Update – Asphalt Millings

We've got an update on road improvements! Over the past month, the Town has been spreading asphalt millings on select roads to help reduce ruts and improve driving conditions. This follows last year's successful project on 2nd East, where UDOT graded and placed millings to address heavy equipment traffic.

We've been able to acquire more asphalt millings and will continue spreading them over the coming weeks. While we don't yet know how many roads we'll be able to cover, this is a positive step toward improving conditions wherever possible.

We appreciate your patience as crews work throughout the town. Please watch for equipment in your area, and thank you for your continued support as we maintain and enhance our roads!

Thank you!

Senior Center Activities

Please see the attached calendar for activities at the Senior Center. You'll notice that on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the space is open for exercise. The workouts are low-impact, and the group continues to grow!

If you do not receive the reminder for the meals, please contact the Town Office, and we will get your phone number added to the RSVP list for meals.

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Senior Center Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
				9:00 AM Exercise 11:30 AM Card Games		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Happy Easter		9:00 AM Exercise		9:00 AM Exercise 11:30 AM Card Games		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	RSVP to 801-916-9156 for Wed. Dinner	9:00 AM Exercise	5:00 Dinner	9:00 AM Exercise 11:30 AM Card Games		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		9:00 AM Exercise		9:00 AM Exercise 11:30 AM Card Games		
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
		9:00 AM Exercise		9:00 AM Exercise 11:30 AM Card Games		
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Wellbeing Survey

Utah State University's Institute of Disability Research, Policy and Human Services, along with the College of Agriculture & Natural Resources, has launched a Wellbeing Survey and has invited the Town of Manila to participate.

This month, 29 cities and towns are conducting surveys, following over 30 communities that participated in March. Our town's survey must be completed by the end of April. Currently, Vernal has the highest number of responses, with 1,146.

Please share the attached flyer with your neighbors, and note that the information will also be posted around town. Your participation helps ensure our community's voice is heard!

How is life in

Manila
Home of the Flaming Gorge

Manila?

Please, take the Utah Wellbeing Survey!

Manila is one of many towns participating in USU's Utah Wellbeing Project. Your participation in this **10-minute survey** will inform the town's planning processes and better understanding of wellbeing across Utah.

Please share this survey with friends and family (age 18+). **Participate with this link or QR code.** Available in Spanish (Disponible en Español).

For Wellbeing Project information, please contact courtney.flint@usu.edu.

<https://tinyurl.com/Manila2026>

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