

Wasatch Hollow Community Council
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Minutes for the meeting of June 24, 2026

Anderson-Foothill Library, 1135 So 2100 E, Salt Lake City, UT 84108

Board members present: Dan Jensen, 1st Vice Chair; Marley Bramley, 2nd – 15 community members in attendance

Key Outcomes

The meeting covered four main topics: community input on the Colonial Hills Church property sale, a citywide bee art installation project, police and safety updates, and city announcements including tree watering, fireworks restrictions, and a 4th of July drone show. The Colonial Hills Church property is now approved for listing, with a 30–40 day offer window expected soon. Community preference strongly favors converting the 2.5-acre site into park/nature space.

Decisions Made

- May minutes approved by motion and second
- Colonial Hills property survey results shared: top preference is incorporating the full 2.5 acres into the neighboring nature park.
- City confirmed it cannot purchase the property outright due to budget constraints, but wants a seat at the table if partial acquisition becomes possible.
- Fireworks ban confirmed for all areas east of 9th East; the City cannot impose a citywide ban due to state law.

Colonial Hills Church Property — Key Facts

- Property located at 1700 East and 1455 South; sale approved by the LDS Church real estate department
- CBRE will list the property; church and CBRE will jointly select the accepted offer — not necessarily the highest bid.
- 86 survey responses collected; ranked-choice results:
 1. Incorporate entire 2.5 acres into nature park (*overwhelming preference*)
 2. Build 4–6 homes, preserve back section as park entrance
 3. Keep building in use (e.g., ward sharing)
 4. Keep southern parking lot open
 5. Large homes for tax revenue (least popular)
- David Harris is in regular contact with the church group and expected to submit survey results.

Bees Around the Block Art Project

- 7 five-foot bee sculptures representing Salt Lake City's 7 council districts, to be installed on Main Street (South Temple to 600–700 South)
- Inspired by a Manchester art project; bees reflect Utah's state symbol
- Target installation: September–October; sculptures remain for a year, then returned to each council.
- \$1,000 artist stipend available; seeking a local artist from the Wasatch Hollow area
- Sponsorships sought; sponsor packs sent to council board with tiered recognition plaques
- **Community asked to submit ideas on what represents Wasatch Hollow; click [here](#) to take survey.**

Police Update

- Primary concerns: transient activity near foothills and elevated fire danger; recent encampment cleared at Bonneville Shoreline Trail.
- E-bikes/e-motorcycles a growing safety issue citywide; new state law classifies bikes over 20 mph as motorcycles requiring endorsement.
- Under-18 riders and no-pursuit rules for vehicles limit enforcement options; motors unit running targeted operations.
- Residents urged to report suspicious activity via the police app.

Tree Watering & Urban Forestry

- Trees need more water than assumed — no deep taproot to water table; recommended 3x per week this summer.
- Do not place mulch, landscape fabric, or water bags directly at trunk base.
- Landscape fabric discouraged; causes soil/air/moisture problems and doesn't suppress weeds long-term.
- Salt Lake Urban Forestry offers free tree planting (parking strips); planting resumes in November; call to get on the list.
- Sycamore anthracnose fungus spreading in the valley — details on Urban Forestry website.
- Jordan Valley Conservation Garden (13th West) offers workshops on drip irrigation and xeric landscaping.

City Announcements

- Drought: Voluntary 10% water reduction requested; City also reducing usage by 10%+; report waste via mobile app; water before 8am or after 8pm.
- 4th of July Drone Show: July 3rd, 8pm, Jordan Park; 500 drones, live music, free \$15 food vouchers for first 1,500 attendees; 24th of July show at Liberty Park.
- CDCIP Board Opening (District 6): Weekly meetings Oct–Mar; 3-year term; contact Hannah for details.
- Recycling Events: Hard-to-recycle/e-waste drop-off at Sorenson Community Center (June 27) and NeighborWorks building through end of June.
- Blood donation: ARUP requesting summer donations.

Open Questions

- Noise ordinance for crowing hens — resident raised issue; suggestion to add crowing hens to existing rooster ban; Hannah to look into ordinance options.
- Whether apartment building owners can participate in the city tree planting program (owner commitment required)
- Material/anchoring specifics for bee sculptures — Chloe to confirm with Landon.

7:45 Adjourn

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2026.