

Genola 2021 Candidate Profiles

We invited all the candidates to submit a candidate profile.

Candidates for Mayor



Giala Murdoch - Hi I am Giala Murdoch i have been married to Jay for 17 years we have lived in Genola for almost 16 years. I have worked for Dominion Energy GAS Co for 12 years and have been a substitute bus driver for Nebo district off and on for the last 12 years. We have 7 children between the two of us and have 19 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. I enjoy animals and the peace they offer by being around them. We enjoy camping and horseback riding. We enjoy being with family and watching them succeed in their lives.

I am looking forward to giving back to the community that has helped me grow into the person I am today.



Marty Larson – I would like to introduce myself Marty Larson as a candidate for Mayor. I have lived in Genola for 25 years and have grown to really love the area and especially the people. I am married to Belinda with 4 wonderful children. I have served as a planning commissioner, town councilperson, and currently as Mayor. I would like to serve one more term as Mayor. Many have asked why you

would ever want to do that, you're crazy! I have enjoyed serving. Some of the positions I serve on in representing Genola include Chairman of Mt. Nebo Water Agency which serves to evaluate supply and use of water and infrastructure in our region. South Utah Municipal Water Association which has contracted with Central Utah Water Service District to bring water to nine south Utah cities. I also serve on a grant committee (CDBG) which issue funds that serve our area. Mountain Land Association of Governments, and with the help of Mayor Stahlie of Goshen and Mayor Hunsaker of Santaquin we have identified along with many other projects the widening of HWY 6 with a climbing lane and turn lane on the south end of town. The County Association of Governments which considers county issues. My strongest desire has been to protect agriculture and natural resources such as water. Some of the issues above can lead to great debate and sometimes contention. I feel that by implementing the laws and vision of those who have served before, along with working together, sometimes more listening than talking, we will benefit more by collaboration and unity.

I believe the solution to solving most problems starts at the level of neighborly love and compromise. I always believe we should obey the laws and ordinance adopted in our area. This is hard, many people, even lawyers, interpret laws so differently. I would like to take extra effort to pass laws that are not ambiguous and do not provide contention in a non-intended requirement. I believe when law and mercy sometime butt heads, the law should prevail, but this does not require the putting away of love and caring and civil communication.

I believe we should for the most part be positive, uplifting and solution oriented. I choose to think the best about my neighbor and sometimes be wrong, than always think the worst of them and always be right.

Candidates for City Council

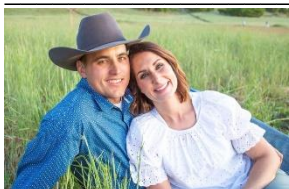


Hale Robison - I have lived in Genola for over 49 years and for the last several years I served on the City Council. During that time, I was over roads and water. My passion and motivation for the roads and water is to make our small town a better place. I would like to see new paved roads all the way to the north end of Genola and to keep all other roads chipped and sealed.

Leadership on the City Council is about identifying the challenges we face and then bringing solutions to the table to solve problems. I have been influential in providing proven decision-making skills to the City Council in dealing with notable issues facing Genola today. This is a special town with good people in it. I enjoy working with other members of the City Council and look forward to serving again. I hope to have your vote and I will do my best to serve you well.



Grant Lundberg - I am running because I want to participate in our community and help plan for its future. I want to grow responsibly and maintain our rural way of life.



Daron Hughes – Is a born and raised Utah native. He grew up in Spanish Fork before moving six years ago to Genola with his wife and children. Daron's formative years were spent on the family farm where, at an early age, he learned the value of hard work, commitment, and perseverance. He has been riding horses since he could walk and has served on numerous riding clubs and associations as a member, office, and served on several Board of Directors. He loves Genola, its small-town atmosphere, wide open spaces, and wants to preserve its uniqueness and serve the residents as their elected council member.