

Paradise Town Council
October 4, 2023
7:30 p.m.

Council Members Present- Mayor Johnson, Devin Thomas, Jason Winn, Doug Jewell, Whit Gale, Alyssa Petersen (recorder).

Community members Present- Kevin Norman, Jason Summers, Krystal and Adam Newman,

1. **Pledge of Allegiance-** The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
2. **Prayer/Invocation/Reading/Thought-** Doug gave the opening invocation.
3. **Minutes-** Doug made a motion to approve the Minutes of September 20, 2023, Jason seconded that motion. All in favor.
4. **Bills-** Devin read the bills. Whit made a motion to approve the bills as read, Devin seconded that motion. All in favor.
5. **Public Comment-** None currently.
6. **Purchase Requests-** There was one purchase request for the Fire Department in the amount of \$617.17 for radio cables from Air Comm. Devin made a motion to approve the purchase request, Jason seconded that motion. All in favor.
7. **Kevin Norman- Baseball Fields Discussion-** Kevin addressed the Council to discuss the baseball fields at the new park. Kevin reported that there are multiple teams now playing from Paradise. Kevin suggested that the Council look at the field by Providence Elementary and we mimic what they have done with their field. Dura Edge is a company that does dirt work for the surrounding cities, but Kevin reported that they are expensive. He found a slightly cheaper company from Idaho. He thinks that to get both the fields able to play on would take almost \$200,000.00. Kevin found a private donor that will donate \$40,000.00. Kevin is looking for grants that could help. There was discussion on the cost of maintenance once the fields were finished. Kevin feels like if the fields were done there would be games out here. There has been a question as to if people would come play out here or not even if the fields were finished completely. There would also be some money from RMSB that pays to play on different fields. There was talk about not doing lights out there at this time or waiting to get the fields done and then worry about lights later. Doug suggested that we could add this to the next RAPZ application, if Kevin would help with some information to include in that application and form a good plan.
8. **Fire Chief Position Discussion-** There was discussion on how to interview potential Chiefs and if Fire Department input is important. The Council discussed questions to ask candidates. The Fire Department operating procedures say that the Fire Department picks the Chief, but the Council decided it would be best if they interview the Chief candidates and then pick the best candidate.
9. **Parking Citations- Justin Murphy, Tom & Teresa Jewkes-** Both these residents received a parking violation, but both reached out to the Council because the trailers that were parked on the rights-of-way were moved by the 11th of

September. The letter that was sent specified that the trailers be moved by September 11th, but citations were not issued until the 24th of September. Both residents had parked the trailers on the right of way for a short amount of time on the 24th and were issued a citation. The Council is ok dismissing the tickets written to both properties.

10. Truck Bids- There were two sealed bids received. Both were for the 91 yellow plow truck. The Council discussed keeping the 1997 Red ford and plowing with it. The two bids came in at: \$4125.00 and \$4111.00. The winning bidder will be called tomorrow.

11. Planning and Zoning-

- Davis- High Tunnels- 425 W. 8600 S. – Doug made a motion to approve, Whit seconded that motion. All in favor.
- Newman- New Home- 2950 S. 200 E.- Doug made a motion to approve the clearance application for a new home, Jason seconded that motion. All in favor.
- Elizabeth Jenkins- Renew Zoning Clearance- Doug made a motion to approve the application to renew the zoning clearance, Devin seconded that motion. All in favor.

12. Unfinished Business-

Our Attorney is drafting a letter to AT&T concerning the checks they have quit sending and the \$14,000.00 they owe us after not paying us since January 2023. Devin reached out to Rocky Mountain Power about the power poles they are donating. Rocky Mountain suggested that we get all 9 poles now since they can't be sure when they can donate poles again so we will take all 9 poles now. Dirt should be coming at the end of this week for the arena.

13. New Business- Jason reported that the signs and posts are done and ready to go. There are "yield" signs, and "engine brakes prohibited" signs. Whit wondered about buying a large blow-up screen to put up for movies in the park and wondered about renting the screen out when not being used by the Town. There was discussion on where to store it.

14. Council Reports-

- Roads-Devin Thomas- Johnsons should be coming to patch potholes next week.
- Water-Whit Gale- Whit would like to get bids this fall to get the spring project started first thing in the spring. There are a couple large overages that will need to be fixed by the property owners.
- Community-Doug Jewell- Waste Management started picking up the garbage this week. There has been confusion due to Waste Management sending out incorrect information by mail. Jason Summers submitted information on a company that built chutes for \$4000.00 per piece back east and then would ship them here.
- Fire/Grant Winn- Mayor Johnson got some clarification on some bills for the FD. Jason has two people that want to help sponsor next year's rodeo. The Chiefs retirement open house will be either the 14th or 16th of

November 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to come meet with Troy and tell him congratulations on retirement.

15. Adjourn- Whit made a motion to adjourn, Doug seconded that motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 9:52 p.m.