



Paradise Town Council

January 3, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Paradise Town Hall, 9035 S. 100 W.

Council Members Present: Mayor Johnson, Doug Jewell, Devin Thomas, Whit Gale, Steve Gibbs, Alyssa Petersen (recorder)

Excused: None

Community Members Present: Diana Cannell (Allred and Jackson), Troy Fredrickson,

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance-** The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
- 2. Prayer/Invocation/Reading/Thought-** An opening invocation was given by Doug.
- 3. Swear in Council Member-** The new Council Member Steve Gibbs was sworn in as a new Town Council Member.
- 4. Minutes-** The Minutes of December 20, 2023, were emailed to the Council before the meeting. Whit made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Devin seconded that motion. All in favor.
- 5. Bills-** Devin read the bills. Whit made a motion to approve the bills as read, Devin seconded that motion. All in favor.
- 6. Audit Report-** Diana Cannell attended the meeting to discuss the Audit report and Financial Statements with the Council.
- 7. Public Comment-** Fire Chief Troy Fredrickson addressed the Council to discuss swearing-in of Ashely Smith as the new Fire Chief and Travis Hulme as the new Assistant Chief. Doug will be the Council member over Fire, Troy asked if Doug would meet with him and Ashley at the Fire Department and go through a few things. Ashley Smith is now the Chief of the Fire Department.
- 8. Purchase Requests –** There was one request for new Fire Chief Ashley Smith to attend training in Saint George from January 16 to January 19. The expected costs will exceed \$500.00. All council members approved the request.

9. Unfinished Business-

GBG & Green Waste- There was a discussion on green waste and what options we may have. So far Waste Management has not offered any green waste options. They may have dumpsters that we could rent and fill with green waste but pay dumpster rates. Devin will reach out to the County and see if they will be offering green waste services. Steve will check in with Nibley and see what they are planning for green wastes services. Stephanie Miller, the Mayor from Hyrum, reached out to Mayor Johnson to see what Paradise was planning for green waste. He will call her back tomorrow.

911- There had been some discussion on potentially moving the 911 dispatch center to the County instead of in Logan. The Council wondered if there had been any more talk of that move. Mayor Johnson will investigate this.

Lighting at Arena- Devin wondered about what the next move is for the arena and baseball lighting. For the 4 poles and 2 extra lights, Devin received a bid for \$27,000.00 for new fixtures only. This doesn't include installation and wiring. The fixtures included in this bid are in stock in Nevada. There may still be a possibility of finding used fixtures. There was discussion on reaching out to Cache Valley Electric to see if they would be willing to help with lighting. If CVE installs and wires the lighting, then the plans will need to be engineered. Doug will reach out to Kevin Norman to see about fixing up the baseball diamond by the Town Hall. The Council would like to move forward with purchasing the lights. They may need to be stored and then put on the poles when it warms up.

Dignity Dinner- There is a dinner for City representatives on January 13, 2024, discussing how to handle residents and working with people, preventing violence, etc. Doug and his wife will be attending. Doug sent it to the Youth Council but hasn't heard back from any of them. There is still room to sign up.

10. New Business- Mayor Johnson wondered when the Council could meet for the annual dinner. Alyssa will reach out to Maddox and see if they are able to get the entire Council and Planning Commission and their spouses a reservation on the 20th or 27th of January.

11. Council Reports-

- **Roads- Devin Thomas-** Devin reported that Ipaco has received the bracket for the snowplow. It should be ready to go tomorrow. Whit wondered about making a note in the newsletter about the snowplows and making sure things get out of the road. Alyssa will add that for the January newsletter.
- **Water-Whit Gale-** Lee reached out to Mike Olsen again concerning the land around the spring and working something out with that property. The Council discussed using a realtor to draw up the agreement and make sure it has absolutely everything included in it such as rights of way, legal descriptions, etc.
- **Community- Steve Gibbs-** The Council discussed the Youth Council and how it was formed and what things they are part of. Doug has compiled a list of projects to hand off to Steve.
- **Fire/Grants- Doug Jewell-** Doug will meet with Troy and Ashley tonight. We received a large bill from LN Curtis and Larry was not sure where to apply the expense. Doug will talk with Ashley about making sure we have a file of grants they have applied for and how much they are, when they will be expecting those grants to pay, etc.

12. Adjourn- Devin made a motion to adjourn, Whit seconded that motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourns at 9:10 p.m.

Larry Johnson, Mayor

Alyssa Petersen, Clerk