



Paradise Town Council

August 6, 2025

7:30 p.m.

Paradise Town Hall, 9035 S. 100 W.

Council Members Present: Mayor Larry Johnson, Devin Thomas, Doug Jewell, Whit Gale, Steve Gibbs, Alyssa Petersen-Recorder

Community Members' Present: City Manager Lee Atwood, Kent Stratford, Paradise City Attorney Jonathan Jenkins,

1. **Pledge of Allegiance-** The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
2. **Prayer/Invocation/Reading/Thought-** Whit offered an opening invocation.
3. **Minutes-** The Minutes of July 16, 2025, were emailed to the Town Council prior to the meeting. Devin made a motion to approve the bills, Whit seconded that motion. All in favor.
4. **Bills-** Devin read the bills. There was discussion on what the paint for the arena from Bennett's Paint was for, and Lee reported that it was for the barrels at the park. Devin made a motion to approve the bills as read. Whit seconded that motion, all in favor.
5. **Public Comment-** None at this time.
6. **Purchase Requests-** There were 3 bids from different electrical contractors to remodel the lighting at the pickleball courts. The cheapest of the 3 bids was Line Electric in the amount of \$19,699.80 or \$21,799.80 depending on what light placement works best for the court lighting. The Council would prefer to do the lighting around the outside and not try to cut the concrete and place poles inside the courts. The lights should easily cover 40 feet so if the lights were around outside of the courts the courts should be lit well. The other two bids came in at \$26,905.00 and \$44,530.00. We were awarded \$30,000.00 RAPZ funds for the pickleball lighting project. Doug made a motion to approve the Line Electric \$19,669.80 bid, Whit seconded that motion. All in favor.
7. **Planning and Zoning**
 - **Kent Stratford- Boundary Line Adjustment- 8660 S. 300 W.-** The Stratford's applied to combine 3 lots that had previously been configured as one lot, back into one lot. The property had been broken into 3 after ordinances were created resulting in a non-conforming, restricted lot. The Planning Commission approved the application at their meeting July 31, 2025. Whit made a motion to approve, Devin seconded that motion, all in favor.

Whit made a motion to close the regular meeting and open the executive session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Devin seconded that motion. Votes to close meeting and open executive session. Whit-aye, Devin-aye, Steve-aye, Doug-aye, Mayor Johnson-aye. Meeting closes at 8:07 p.m.

-Executive Session- Strategy Session to Discuss Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation. Executive session opens at 8:07 p.m.

Regular meeting opens at 8:32 p.m.

8. Unfinished Business-

RAPZ Reimbursement- The 2024 RAPZ reimbursement request for 2024 is ready and will be sent to the County this week. There was discussion on potential RAPZ projects.

Engine Brakes Restricted Signs- There was discussion on if we received the "Engine Brakes Restricted" signs that had been discussed in previous meetings. Whit wondered about when we could get them installed. Grover Excavation is coming to repair a leak and could possibly dig a few holes to plant some posts for signs.

Rodeo- The Rodeo Committee submitted a bid for stock contractor Diamond H. The bid was for \$15,000.00. There is still a question if the bid is good for the two rodeo nights or just one night.

Nuisances on Property- There was discussion on nuisances on property.

9. New Business-

Baseball field fencing and mow strip- Lee reached out to some residents that work in concrete and found some that were willing to donate some labor to install a mow strip under the fencing to help with weeds and mowing. The Council discussed a mow strip and potential costs.

COG- The Council held a public hearing to discuss the COG project which is the realignment of 9200 S. The Town Engineer created some drawings to submit and came up with a potential cost estimate for the project. When the Mayor and Lee talked with the COG engineer today, it was brought to their attention that COG was going to require complete engineering of the project, geo tech survey, etc. It would cost \$8000.00 to \$10,000.00 for the engineering and various things to get done to submit the application for some funding through COG. They asked if they could switch the letter of intent to a different project, but the time for a change has passed.

10. Council Reports-

- **Roads- Devin Thomas-** Nothing at this time.
- **Water- Whit Gale-** Whit reported that there was a revised bid for the last part of the spring project. This project will be bigger than the work done last year and expected to cost around \$103,500.00. The plan is still to get Grovers up the canyon working by September. The spring is running at about 90 gallons per minute now. The fencing may need to wait until next year depending on when Grover's can get this last part of the spring redevelopment done.
- **Community- Steve Gibbs-** Movie in the park is coming up on August 15, there was discussion on everyone's responsibility for the Movie in the park and for Trout and Berry Days.
- **Fire/Grants- Doug Jewell-** Doug has had a few discussions with the Fire Department over the last few weeks. They discussed some purchase requests for different items the Department is buying. The County Fire District has been formed and will be taxing Cache County residents as of 2025. It may take a few years to get the district up and running and to find out exactly what their responsibilities will be. Doug received a report on what calls the Fire Department has received this year.

11. Adjourn-

Doug made a motion to adjourn, Devin seconded that motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourns at 10:39 p.m.

Alyssa Petersen, Clerk

Larry Johnson, Mayor
