

**Paradise Town  
Town Council Meeting  
March 1, 2023  
7:00 p.m.**

**Council Members Present-** Mayor Larry Johnson, Jason Winn, Doug Jewell, Whit Gale, Alyssa Petersen (recorder)

**Excused-**Devin Thomas

**Community Members Present-** Danny Swett, OD Miller, Paradise Public Works Director Lee Atwood

1. **Pledge of Allegiance-** The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
2. **Prayer/Invocation/Reading/Thought-** White gave an opening invocation.
3. **Minutes-** The Minutes of February 15, 2023, were emailed to the Council before the meeting. Jason made a motion to approve the Minutes of February 15, Whit seconded that motion. All in favor.
4. **Bills-** Whit read the bills. Whit made a motion to approve the bills as read, Jason seconded that motion. All in favor.
5. **Public Comment-** None at this time.
6. **Purchase Requests-** Mayor Johnson submitted one purchase request for parts for the snowplow. The bill was for \$927.59 to "Motion and Flow." Doug made a motion to approve, Whit seconded that motion, all in favor.
7. **Planning and Zoning**
  - Kyle and Jocelyn Smith- New Home- 54 W. 9300 S.- The Smith's submitted a complete application for a new home and a shop. Their application was approved at the Planning and Zoning meeting held February 27, 2023. The lot is non-conforming because it is smaller than another conforming 1.25-acre lots in Town. The lot was created before the Town adopted zoning ordinances; therefore, the lot is considered to have a "grandfathered" status. Doug made a motion to approve the application, Jason seconded that motion, all in favor.
  - Scott and Audrey Thompson- New Home- 8445 S. 450 W.- The Thompsons submitted a complete application for a new home and shop in the Sam's Town subdivision on lot 16R, the driveway is restricted to a 50 f.t. area on the lot. The plan shown on the application reflected the driveway placement in the correct area. The application was approved at the Planning and Zoning meeting held February 27, 2023. Doug made a motion to approve, Jason seconded that motion, all in favor.
8. **Millers - Hydrant Repair-** OD Miller attended the meeting to address the repair of the hydrant located at 293 E. 8800 S. He reported that the hydrant was buried in the snow and did not have a flag on it making it difficult to see. The hydrant repair cost was \$10,463.75. The hydrant valve box was installed crooked or at some point got hit and the box then ended up crooked and it made it difficult to get a key into it and turn it off and on at the hydrant. This was fixed when the new hydrant was put in. The Council and Public Works Director Lee Atwood discussed what percentage of the replacement cost is OD's responsibility. The breakdown of the bill was \$4750.00 for labor, bolts for \$37.25, Fire Hydrant for \$4495.00, 13 tons of crushed road base \$25.50, dump truck fill for \$650.00 and a thrust block for \$200.00. The Council and the Millers will work through the Insurance companies to get the issue resolved.
9. **Unfinished Business -**
  - New Truck Lease Potential- Jason reported that he had a contact for the gentleman that works with Ken Garff and works with the County on truck leases.
  - Impact Fee Report- Doug is working on the Impact Fee study. He is working on potential project costs and how those could affect impact fees. He will meet with Lee again to get specifics on upcoming projects.
  - Drain at Fire Department- Lee will call the plumber and have the plumber re-route the drain, instead of trying to fix the old, clogged drain.
  - Roads- Notices went out to property owners with vehicles, trailers, or other items sitting in the Town rights-of-way.

Cache Waste Consortium- Mayor Johnson did some investigating and found out that Providence, who had previously backed out of the consortium, is not going to use ACE as a provider. The thought was that there was a possibility to use ACE if they would be in the Cache County area picking up trash in other Cities. ACE's bid originally came back cheaper, but they had a clause that would charge the customer \$10.00 per gallon for fuel. Waste Management had slightly higher prices, but not as much for fuel surcharges. The concern with Waste Management was the fees they were going to charge for items that aren't supposed to be put in the garbage cans, and that they would like the Municipalities they service to pass an ordinance that would not allow residents within the municipality to use any other providers for large dumpsters or roll-off dumpsters. A representative from Waste Management can come to a Council meeting to address the Council's concerns if they would like. Mayor Johnson will reach out to the Waste Management representative. The Consortium is trying to negotiate a better price for dumpsters and roll-offs with Waste Management and will potentially talk to other providers if they cannot lower their prices. The County attorney will submit a red-lined version of the contract to the consortium on Friday. They would like the transition to take place this fall. Waste Management will provide an option for green waste, or the Consortium will investigate other options. Logan City has said they will only provide green waste services for another 6 to 9 months.

#### **10. New Business-**

DNR Rebate Program- The Department of Natural Resources will be offering a rebate program for residential and commercial property owners who replace grass with water-efficient landscaping. The city would need to adopt an ordinance for new development that included no lawn on parking strips, and no more than 50% of front and side yard landscaped. There was a discussion on requiring developers to put weed barriers and cobble rock in the swales or something water efficient that would keep the swales looking nice instead of weeds taking over swales, which has happened in some areas around town. There are changes currently taking place within a variety of other agencies within the state due to a program Governor Cox has implemented to help the Great Salt Lake fill. The Council would like to send something out to property owners and see if they would be in favor of this rebate program or not.

Bear River Health Department proposed an Onsite Wastewater Standard Ordinance Change. The Council reviewed proposed changes to the onsite water standard changes through the Health Department. The proposal would require that any single -lot development within 300 feet of municipal sewer systems, or subdivisions within 150 feet of municipal sewer systems, will hook into the sewer system at the expense of the developer or homeowner.

Flood Discussion- Whit has had a few people question if the Town is preparing for potential flooding. There has been a lot of snow this year and it is now supposed to warm up. The Town has sandbags in the Town Shed. The bags will last if they are protected inside. Lee reported that he will order some more sand as we get a little warmer. Whit wondered about writing something to the wards in Paradise to see if they could have young men available when the time comes to fill sandbags. The Council discussed Emergency Operations for the Paradise Area and working with the Church in the area. Whit will start the discussion with the church and surrounding wards. The Council discussed hosting an emergency preparedness fair this summer with some hamburgers or hotdogs for residents.

#### **11. Council Reports**

- Roads-Devin Thomas- Devin was not at the meeting, nothing at this time.
- Water-There was a discussion on adding some additional charges to water overages, especially if there is a cross-connection put in place.
- Community-Doug Jewell- Doug reported that there was a Trout and Berry days kick-off meeting he attended. The T&B Days Chairman Fred Summers would like to tie in some community projects along with T&B Days. Doug suggested that the Council think of projects that may need to be done during that time.
- Fire/Grants- Jason Winn- Troy would like to make sure the steps and landing at the Fire station get shoveled regularly. Martell Lowe contacted Jason about some concerns with the backstop at the baseball field.

**12. Adjourn-** Whit made a motion to adjourn, Jason seconded that motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourns at 10:21 p.m.