

**MINUTES**  
**PARADISE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 PM – February 11, 2020**

**1. OPENING**

The Regular meeting of the Paradise Town Council was called to order by Mayor Bolin at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Council Chamber located at 5555 Skyway, Paradise, California who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. An invocation was offered by Vice Mayor Zuccolillo.

**COUNCIL MEMBER PRESENT:** Steve Crowder, Jody Jones, Melissa Schuster, Mike Zuccolillo and Greg Bolin, Mayor.

**COUNCIL MEMBER ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Town Manager Lauren Gill, Town Attorney Dwight Moore, Town Clerk Dina Volenski, Administrative Services Director Gina Will, Public Works Director/Town Engineer Marc Mattox, Assistant to the Town Manager Colette Curtis, Police Chief Eric Reinbold, Police Lieutenant Anthony Borgman, Community Development Director Susan Hartman

1a. Mayor Bolin presented a Proclamation recognizing February as Teen Domestic Violence Awareness Month; the proclamation was accepted by Justin Cantalupo, Catalyst Board Member.(180-40-27)

1b. Chief Reinbold presented the Police departments yearly awards and Assemblyman Gallagher's representative also provided Certificates of Appreciation to the awardees.

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| Police Officer of the year:    | <b>Officer David Akin</b>           |
| Dispatcher of the year:        | <b>Dispatcher Martha Besseghini</b> |
| Civilian employee of the year: | <b>AC Officer Mollie St John</b>    |
| VIP of the year:               | <b>"All 2019 Volunteers"</b>        |
| PASH Volunteer of the year:    | <b>Huibert Venema</b>               |

(Paradise Animal Shelter Helper)

PASH President, Ellen Michels also presented a plaque to retiring Veterinarian Dr. Art Colyer recognizing the years of service he has provided to the Paradise Animal Shelter.

1c. Mayor Bolin presented Town Council Recognition of Employees Service to the Town of Paradise for 2018 & 2019.

**2018**

**10 Years**

Shawn Jordan - Police Department

Carol Ladrini – Police Department

Dina Volenski – Clerk Department

John Wilkey – Police Department

Gina Will – Finance Department

**5 Years**

Helen Cheung - Finance Department

Colette Curtis – Town Manager and Business & Housing Departments

Rick Trent – Community Development Department

**2019**

**35 years**

Lauren Gill – Town Manager

**20 Years**

Robert Pickering – Police Department

**15 Years**

Deborah Cook – Community Development Department

Susan Hartman – Community Development Department

Robert Larson – Community Development Department

Kevin Peppas – Public Works and Engineering Department

**5 years**

David Akin – Police Department

John Alvies – Police Department

Matthew Gates – Police Department

Michael Houdek – Public Works

Jennifer Robbins – Animal control

Andrea Lui – Police Department

- 1d. Greg Eaton, Recovery Advisor, gave an update on The Hazard Tree Removal Program.

Fire Chief John Messina provided an update on Burning in the Town of Paradise.

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Ward Habriel commented on the culvert repairs and the significance of having the culverts cleaned out and ready for rain.

**MOTION by Zuccolillo, seconded by Schuster**, approved consent calendar items 2a-2c as presented. Roll Call vote was unanimous.

- 2a. Approved minutes of the November 12, 2019 Regular Town Council meeting.

- 2b. Approved January 2020 Cash Disbursements in the amount of \$2,408,070.27. (310-10-034)

- 2c. Received and filed an update on emergency culvert repairs. (910-30-004)

**3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR -None**

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

1. Ellen Michels was dismayed to see the new smoke shop in Town and does not support flavored tobacco products in Town.
2. Ward Habriel stated that he had a positive experience at the Building Resiliency Center and that there are still improvements that need to be made on properties in Town.
3. John Miller-George stated that he was not happy with the Town Council, it is not affordable for senior citizens to live in Paradise; the population is not coming back to live in Town and businesses will not have any business with the lack of population.
4. Bruce Lawrence appreciates the hard work the Town Council has done for the Town and asked for a policy to be put in place to save as many living trees as possible or start a tree planting program.

#### 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

#### 6. COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

6a. Consider approving the following budget recommendations:

Administrative Services Director Gina Will gave a comprehensive overview of the budget and the proposed recommendations to the Town Council.

**MOTION by Jones, seconded by Crowder** to approve the following:

1. Reviewed and approved the 2019/20 mid-year budget report and budget adjustments; and (340-40-016)
2. Approved recommended personnel changes; and
3. Approved job classification descriptions for Capital Projects Manager and Surveyor; and (610-10-17)
4. Approved updated salary pay plan with revised position control authorized positions, and, (610-10-18)
5. Conditionally approved North Valley Community Foundation grant for Grants Administrator position accepting first year funding and conditionally accepting second and third year funding if the Town has enough funding available to cover the match requirement, and, (530-10-259, 395-25-006)
6. Authorized the Town Manager and Town Attorney to enter into an agreement with Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) and others that protects the Town's interest in the insurance proceeds for the Paradise Community Village rebuild. (510-20-260) Roll call vote was unanimous.

Mayor Bolin recessed the meeting for a five minute break at 7:51 p.m.

Mayor Bolin reconvened the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

6b. Community Development Director Susan Hartman and Code Enforcement Officer Rick Trent presented an overview of proposed Ordinance No. 592 and Code Enforcement issues that are happening in Town. Chief Reinbold commented on the Police Departments ability to address non permitted RVs.

1. Mark Fallon stated that he has followed all regulations, but is not in compliance because he has three RV's on his 20 acre piece of property, all family members; asked that Council look at issues on a case by case basis.

2. Brandy Ventara Kristiansen, Zone 11 representative, asked Town Council to consider safety, need laws and ordinances that work. Have repeated offenders in the area, in last six weeks have seen a shift in Town. Suggest property owners fill out "No Trespassing" paperwork that would help Police Department save time.

3. Ward Habriel has spoken with individuals that have paid \$75 and think they can do whatever they want on their property and there's nothing the Town can do about it.

4. Michael MacCarthy is part of Zone 11 and agrees with everything the representative stated and is concerned with unauthorized individuals living on property and how Police Department can enforce.

6. Jed Bear just purchased property in Paradise thinking he could live on property in RV while builds home, was not impacted by the fire and is concerned with changes in the ordinance. He brings his RV up on weekends and does not live there full time, is just doing until he can build.

7. Pamela Moseley lives next door to Jed Bear who is camping there with no water, no power, no septic, no building permit, cutting down trees, rides dirt bikes and also lives across the street from a horder who will not clean up their property. She doesn't think it's fair that she had to pay for everything to begin the rebuild process and that someone else can come in and not pay for anything; may leave Paradise.

8. Cass Stevens thinks this is a difficult situation, can't make everyone happy, but need to embrace people trying to stay in Paradise.

**MOTION by Crowder, seconded by Jones,** 1.Waived the reading of entire Town of Paradise Urgency Ordinance No. 592 and Adopted Town of Paradise Ordinance No.592 "An Urgency Ordinance Relating to Interim Housing and Accessory Building(s) Inside the Camp Fire Area"; with Council directing staff to make changes regarding electrical and septic hook ups. Roll call vote was unanimous.

Council was informed that there is \$20,000 in an established abatement fund.

## 7. COUNCIL INITIATED ITEMS AND REPORTS

7a. Council initiated agenda items – None

7b. Council reports on committee representation

Council Member Crowder joined the Chamber of Commerce on a business walk stated he received positive feedback from the businesses.

Council Member Shuster announced that a presentation will be made at the March Council meeting regarding a plaque on the Mars Rovers and that Star Wars Toys have been donated to the children of Paradise and will be distributed after the March Town Council meeting.

Vice Mayor Zuccolillo attended the PID Liaison meeting.

7c. Future Agenda Items – Councilmember Schuster asked that a proposed vaping ordinance be placed on the March meeting agenda.

## **8. STAFF COMMUNICATION**

Town Manager Report – None

Community Development Director – Two applications have been submitted for temporary use permits for private tree processing at Skyway & Clark Rd and are currently being reviewed by commenting agencies, Debbie's Restaurant will reopening. Community Events: Gold Nugget Days, Wildflower Bike Ride, Chocolate Fest and Party in Park. The Town and NRWS received a grant to replace recycling and garbage cans throughout Town.

## **9. CLOSED SESSION - None**

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

10a. Adjourn to February 18, 2020 at 1:00 p.m., Paradise Town Hall, 5555 Skyway, Paradise, California 95969 for the purpose of holding a Regular Adjourned meeting pursuant to Government Code Section 54955.

Mayor Bolin adjourned the Council meeting at 9:16 p.m.

Date Approved: April 14, 2020

By: \_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Greg Bolin, Mayor

Attest:

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Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk