



TOWN COUNCIL Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM – May 09, 2023

1. OPENING

The Regular meeting of the Paradise Town Council was called to order by Mayor Bolin at 6:03 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 Council Member Lassonde.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Crowder, Steve “Woody” Culleton, Ron Lassonde, Rose Tryon and Greg Bolin, Mayor

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Interim Town Manager and Public Works Director/Town Engineer Marc Mattox, Town Attorney Scott E. Huber, Town Clerk/Elections Official Dina Volenski, Community Development Director Susan Hartman, Community Development Director Tony Lindsey, Recovery and Economic Development Director Colette Curtis, Business and Housing Manager Kate Anderson, Recovery and Economic Development Project Manager Brian Solecki, Engineering Division Manager Ashley Stanley, Capital Projects Manager David Kehn, Information Systems Director Luis Marquez, Police Chief Eric Reinbold, and Battalion Chief Rick Manson.

- 1a. Mayor Bolin presented a proclamation to John Little, Vice President of the California Unit of Mennonite Disaster Services, on behalf of MDS. (180-40-27)
- 1b. Calli-Jane West presented an update from the Butte County Fire Safe Council via Teams
- 1c. Camp Fire Recovery Updates - Written reports are included in the agenda packet. (110-60-061)

Colette Curtis, Recovery and Economic Development Director - Recovery Projects, Advocacy, Economic Recovery and Development, Communications and Emergency Operations.

Marc Mattox, Public Works Director/Town Engineer - Infrastructure and Sewer Update

Tony Lindsey, CDD-Building and Code Enforcement - Code Enforcement Update

Kate Anderson, Business and Housing Manager - Business and Housing Update

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Lassonde, approved consent calendar items 2a through 2h. Roll call vote was unanimous.

- 2a. Approved the Special and Regular minutes of the April 11, 2023 Town Council meetings.
- 2b. Approved April 2023 Cash Disbursements in the amount of \$4,790,015.52. (310-10-034)
- 2c. Adopted Resolution No. 2023-18, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Paradise accepting the work performed under the CDBG Sidewalk Infill Project Contract 9417.CON performed by All-American Construction, Inc." (510-20-361, 950-40-068)
- 2d. 1. Waived the second reading of Town Ordinance No. 625 and read by title only; and, 2. Adopted Town Ordinance No. 625 "An Ordinance Amending Text Regulations within Paradise Municipal Code Title 17 [Zoning] Relative to Short-Term Rentals". (540-16-194)
- 2e. Adopted Resolution No. 2023-19, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Paradise Adopting a List of Projects for Fiscal Year 2023/24 Funded by SB 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017." (950-40-034)
- 2f. Adopted Resolution No. 2023-20, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Paradise acknowledging receipt of a report made by the Fire Chief of the Paradise Fire Department regarding the inspection of certain occupancies required to perform annual inspections in such occupancies pursuant to Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 of the California Health and Safety Code." (440-50-001)
- 2g. Adopted Resolution No. 2023-21, "A Resolution of the Town Council of Town of Paradise accepting the work performed under the On-System Roadway Rehabilitation Project –Skyway (Phase 1) Contract 7303.1 CON performed by Baldwin Contracting Company, Inc. dba Knife River Construction." (510-20-346, 950-40-054)
- 2h. Re-appointed two Planning Commissioners, Lynn Costa and Carissa Garrard, whose terms expire on June 30, 2023 for one 4-year term effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. (760-45-012)

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR - None

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

- 1. Rich Gowins spoke about potential funding to repair private roads and advocated for evacuation routes on private roads.
- 2. John Gillander spoke on the fence code and fee schedule.
- 3. Jon Remalia spoke on violators of burn permits.

4. Carrie Max said she received a visit from Code Enforcement and Paradise Police Department asking her what her plan was for rebuilding after Council had extended the urgency ordinance.

5. Ward Habriel spoke about the Paradise Garden Club tour of six local gardens.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5a. Town Attorney Scott Huber provided an overview of the requirements for the police department to maintain military equipment, including an annual review of the ordinance by Town Council and a public hearing.

Mayor Bolin opened the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

1. Ward Habriel spoke in favor of the renewal of Ordinance No. 615.

Mayor Bolin closed the public hearing at 6:54 p.m.

MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Crowder, approved the continued use of military equipment and the renewal of Ordinance No. 615. Roll call vote was unanimous. (540-16-184, 480-05-013)

6. COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Mayor Bolin recused himself from the dias at 6:55 p.m. due to a potential conflict of interest.

6a. Recovery and Economic Development Director Colette Curtis provided an overview of the proposed professional service agreement with the Butte County Fire Safe Council for the implementation of Phase II of the Category 4 Hazardous Tree Removal Program.

1. Ward Habriel spoke in favor of this item.

2. Jon Remalia spoke in opposition to this item.

MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Lassonde, 1. Concurred with staff's recommendation to partner with the Butte Fire Safe Council to implement the Phase II Removal Process for the Category 4 Tree Removal Program; and, 2. Approved Professional Services Agreement with the Butte County Fire Safe Council; and, 3. Authorized the Town Manager to execute the contract upon full FEMA approval of the Phase II Scope of Work and obligation of funds for Phase II. Roll call vote was unanimous with Bolin absent and not voting. (510-20-381, 420-25-009)

6b. Engineering Division Manager Ashley Stanley provided an overview of the proposed Paradise Sewer Project Owner's Agent recommended firm and agreement.

MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Lassonde, 1. Concurred with staff's recommendation for the Paradise Sewer Project Owner's Agent; and, 2. Authorized the Town Manager to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with the recommended firm, HDR, contingent upon approval by the Town Attorney; and, 3. Adopted Resolution No. 2023-22, "A Resolution

Of The Town Council Of The Town Of Paradise Designating Authority To The Paradise Town Manager To Execute Individual Task Orders Under The Resultant Master Agreement For RFQ 2023-001 Paradise Sewer Project On-Call Owners Agent Up To The Maximum Contract Aggregate Amount Of \$5,000,000 To Expedite And Facilitate The Paradise Sewer Project, Initial Design And Progressive Design Build Process.” Roll call vote was unanimous with Bolin absent and not voting. (510-20-382, 960-70-004)

Mayor Bolin returned to the dais at 7:21 p.m.

- 6c. Town Attorney Scott Huber presented on the aspects of creating an arts commission. Council Member Culleton clarified that when he had asked for this item to be placed on the agenda, he was referencing more of the design review process and a way for Paradise to become an art destination with murals in Town.

1. Kathy Dysert explained her understanding of the City of Orland’s process concerning the arts commission and community funding.
2. Jon Remalia would like to see a partnership between the Town and those in the arts community applying for grants.

Council provided direction to staff to come back at a future meeting with options on how to augment the existing design review process to potentially include murals and public art. All Council concurred.

- 6d. Mayor Bolin presented on the request and invitation from the Natural Resources Committee to testify in Washington DC.

1. Ward Habriel spoke in favor of this item and donated \$100 to help fund this trip.

Council Member Culleton also donated \$100 to help fund this trip.

Town Attorney Huber stated, for the record, that two \$100 donations had been given to the Town Clerk for safe keeping and will be given to the Finance department tomorrow.

A third member of the public, Rich Gowins, contributed an additional \$100 for the purpose of this trip, after the close of the meeting.

MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Tryon, Approved of a proposed trip to be taken by Mayor Bolin to Washington DC, at the request of the Committee on Natural Resources, to testify in front of the House Natural Resources Committee on Wildfires and assign a budget adjustment, to fund the trip from the Town Council budget. Roll call vote was unanimous. (340-40-016)

7. COUNCIL INITIATED ITEMS AND REPORTS

- 7a. Council initiated agenda items – None

7b. Council reports on committee representation:

Council Member Culleton attended the solid waste committee meeting; Gold Nugget Days; and various meetings with PG&E subcontractors regarding the undergrounding efforts.

Vice Mayor Tryon attended the solid waste committee meeting; testified in Sacramento on AB1500 and AB556; attended BCAG and Butte County Air Quality Management meetings; and the Gold Nugget Days parade.

Council Member Crowder participated in a follow-up meeting with After the Fire; participated in the interview process for Finance Director; attended the Moose Lodge groundbreaking and kickoff dinner for the Silver Dollar Fair; shared that Achieve Charter School was honored with the title as a California Distinguished School; and attended the Paradise Recreation and Park District Liaison Meeting.

Council Member Lassonde attended the Chocolate, Wine and Brew Fest and the Silver Dollar Fair kickoff dinner.

Mayor Bolin attended the monthly LAFCo meeting and will participate in Town Manager interviews on May 10th.

7c. Future Agenda Items - Vice Mayor Tryon would like to discuss insurance options in the Town of Paradise and how to move forward in the current climate.

8. STAFF COMMUNICATION

8a. Interim Town Manager Marc Mattox announced a save-the-date for June 15th for a full-scale Emergency Operations Center exercise.

Community Development Director Susan Hartman reported that the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on a general plan amendment and rezone application from Paradise Irrigation District, as well as a hearing to revoke a temporary use permit. Ms. Hartman shared that environmental health gave clearance to the new sushi restaurant and that the Community Development Department will help host a community meeting for a new multi-family housing project.

9. CLOSED SESSION - None

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bolin adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Date approved: June 13, 2023

By:

Attest:

_____/s/_____
Greg Bolin, Mayor

_____/s/_____
Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk