

**MINUTES  
PARADISE TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 PM – October 14, 2014**

**1. OPENING**

The October 14, 2014 Regular Meeting of the Paradise Town Council was called to order by Mayor Scott Lotter at 6:00 p.m.in the Town Council Chamber located at 5555 Skyway, Paradise, California. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, Council Member John Rawlings offered an invocation.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Greg Bolin, Steve “Woody” Culleton, Jody Jones, John J. Rawlings and Scott Lotter, Mayor.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Town Clerk Joanna Gutierrez, Town Manager Lauren Gill, Town Attorney Dwight Moore, Finance Director Gina Will, Community Development Director Craig Baker, Building Official/Fire Marshal Anthony Lindsey, Town Engineer Marc Mattox, Public Works Manager Paul Derr, Housing Supervisor Kate Anderson, Human Resources Manager Crystal Peters, Assistant Town Clerk Dina Volenski, Battalion Chief Curtis Lawrie and Police Lieutenant Steve Rowe.

Town Engineer Marc Mattox updated the Town Council on the Downtown Paradise Safety Project, displaying a power point showing construction progress, project objectives, collision data baseline, speed reduction, and signal coordination. Mr. Mattox also provided a commute travel time comparison that indicates wait times at the signals have decreased except for one evening commute and that time added 24 seconds to a commuter’s travel time through the downtown.

Rotary President Justin Miley showed a power point that displayed a plan that would be part of the downtown beautification effort wherein the Paradise Rotary Club would donate street furniture and planters to the Town Council and the Town of Paradise.

1. David Church stated that he would like a list of costs for various needs for the downtown beautification, such as the cost of a bench.

Council concurred with the Town Manager’s suggestion that she form a committee regarding the matter of beautification of the downtown. Council Member Jones and Council Member Rawlings volunteered to participate on the committee.

Building Official Anthony Lindsey discussed the volunteer efforts of Alliance Kingdom Builders (AKB) and Cal Fire of the Fire Station 81 re-roof, a Make a Difference Day project, and Mayor Lotter presented certificates of recognition to volunteers.

The Proclamation in Honor of Arlan Hudson - Make a Difference Day – was accepted by Jim Clarkson, current owner of Hudson’s Appliance store.

The Proclamation recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month was accepted by Rose York on behalf of Catalyst Domestic Violence Services.

**2. ITEMS DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS** – None.

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOTION by Jones, seconded by Rawlings**, approved the following consent calendar items as submitted. Roll call vote was unanimous.

- 3a. Approved the minutes of the September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting.
- 3b. Approved Cash Disbursements for September 2014 in the amount of \$1,158,316.51. (310-10-30)
- 3c. (1) Waived the second reading of Ordinance No. 549 and approved reading by title only; and, (2) Adopted Town Ordinance No. 549, "An Ordinance Amending Section 8.08.210 of the Paradise Municipal Code Relating to the Collection of Recyclable Solid Waste." The intent of the ordinance is to prevent the unauthorized removal of recyclable solid waste from Town of Paradise solid waste receptacles. (940-10-28 & 540-16-118)
- 3d. Ratified and accepted the donation of materials and labor to the Town of Paradise Fire Station #81 reroof project from Mathews Readymix LLC - \$294.55 worth of ready-mixed concrete, McGregor Rock Yard - \$230.00 worth of ready-mixed concrete and DPI Welding - \$1,300.00 worth of welding labor for the foundation and structural steel work. (395-50-13 & 440-65-021)

**4. PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE**

The Town Council has adopted the following procedure for public hearings:

- a. Staff report to Council (15 minutes total maximum)
- b. Mayor or Presiding Chair opens the hearing for public comment in the following order:
  - 1. Project proponents or in favor of (15-minute time limit)
  - 2. Project opponents or against (15-minute time limit)
  - 3. Rebuttals - when requested (15-minute time limit or 3 minutes per speaker)
- c. Close hearing to the public
- d. Council discussion
- e. Motion
- f. Vote

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None.

## **6. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

1. Ron Wolfe stated that although conditions have improved on the Trailway relating to litter and people picking up their dogs' dropping, he and his wife are encountering homeless/transient people who sit on the benches along the Trailway, drink beer, smoke cigarettes, and mock their efforts to clean the Trailway and intentionally litter with cigarette butts as they pass in front of them. Mr. Wolfe stated that he would like law enforcement to support their efforts and to make the Trailway a priority.
2. Jim Clarkson, Planning Commissioner, informed the Council that he has been visiting the businesses along Skyway between Vista Way and Pearson in the downtown project area, that he hears reports of more foot traffic to the businesses because people now feel safe getting out of their cars after parking due to the widened parking spaces, and that he plans to visit the businesses again and report back to Council.

## **7. COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

- 7a. Finance Director Gina Will reviewed the budget status, and following a **MOTION by Bolin, seconded by Culleton**, the Town Council approved general fund budget adjustments in the amount of \$15,439 as presented. Roll call vote was unanimous. (340-40-13)

## **8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION (Council Initiatives)**

- 8a. Council oral reports of their representation on Committees/Commissions.

Council Member Rawlings attended a police officer swear-in, went on a ride along, attended a meeting at the Feather River Hospital, participated in an LCC phone conference for the LCC policy committee, and attended the Blues & Brews school fundraiser during Johnny Appleseed Days weekend.

Council Member Culleton attended Johnny Appleseed Days and reported that 850 pies were sold; attended the Brews & Blues school fundraiser, the BCAG and BCAQMD meetings in Gridley and the October 14<sup>th</sup> groundbreaking for the Butte County B-Line transit center in Chico on Huss Lane.

Council Member Jones attended the committee meeting relating to blight issues and that an ordinance will be coming to the Council in November, attended all three information public forums regarding the budget and Measure C, participated in a conference with David Bosh of Placer County regarding their sewer pipeline, attended the bi-annual Police Department meeting, the police officer swear-in and Johnny Appleseed days.

Mayor Lotter attended Johnny Appleseed Days, the Blues & Brews school fundraiser, the police officer swear-in, and acknowledged the efforts of the Institute of Local Government in hosting the informational forums relating to

Measure C. Mayor Lotter reminded the Council of the December 6 Shop With A Cop event and encouraged participation.

8b. Discussion of future agenda items – None.

**9. STAFF/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION**

9a. Town Manager Gill reported that the truck parade planning is in progress as well as the opening of the ice rink at the Paradise Recreation and Park district.

9b. Community Development Director Baker updated Council on the progress of the Dollar General store, the Verizon cell tower at Pentz and Wagstaff, the Safeway relocation plans, and the opening of the Big 5 sporting goods. The abandoned Egg Roll Express building that was located in the K-Mart shopping plaza has been demolished; the three buildings on the corner of Pearson and Skyway are scheduled for demolition pending removal of utilities by PG&E; the ownership of the Skyway Lodge has been transferred by court order to a new owner; and, the Town’s solid waste franchisee Northern Recycling and Waste Services expansion of their used oil facility at 920 American Way is in progress.

**10. CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:35 p.m. Mayor Lotter announced that pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1), the Town Council will hold a closed session with the Town Attorney and the Town Manager relating to the following pending litigation: Town of Paradise, a Municipal Corporation, vs. Rose E. Kallunki; Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Doe 1 through Doe 50, inclusive, Butte County Superior Court Case No. 161781.

Mayor Lotter reconvened the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Town Attorney Moore announced that no action was taken in closed session.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Scott Lotter adjourned the Council meeting to November 12, 2014 due to the Veterans Day holiday on November 11, 2014.

DATE APPROVED: November 12, 2014

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

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Joanna Gutierrez, CMC, Town Clerk