



**Town of Paradise**  
**Public Council Meeting Minutes**

**January 7, 2025, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Council Chambers**

Council Present:      Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Chairperson  
                                 Glen Carew, Councillor  
                                 Tommy Maher, Councillor  
                                 Patrick Martin, Councillor  
                                 Deborah Quilty, Councillor  
                                 Larry Vaters, Councillor

Council Absent         Kimberley Street, Deputy Mayor

Staff Present:           Lisa Niblock, CAO  
                                 Tina Auchinleck Ryan, Director of Recreation and Community  
                                 Services  
                                 Alton Glenn, Director, Planning & Protective Services  
                                 Chris Milley, Director, Infrastructure & Engineering  
                                 Nelson Whalen, Director of Public Works  
                                 Angelina Richards, Executive Assistant  
                                 Diane Keough, Manager, Communications

Staff Absent:           Terrilynn Smith, Director, Corporate Services

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**1.      Calling of Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bobbett at 6:00 pm.

**2.      Safety Moment**

Mayor Bobbett brought forward a safety moment for Council and residents.

**3.      Adoption of Agenda**

a.      Adoption of Agenda

**Resolution No. M25-001**

**Moved by** Councillor Vaters  
**Seconded by** Councillor Martin

**To adopt the Agenda for the January 7, 2025 Public Meeting.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**4. Conflict of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest declared at this meeting.

**5. Adoption of Public Council Minutes**

**Resolution No. M25-002**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty  
**Seconded by** Councillor Carew

**To adopt the Minutes of the December 17, 2024 Public Council Meeting.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

a. Business Arising from the Public Council Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**6. Infrastructure and Engineering Committee**

Council Lead - Deputy Mayor Street

a. Decision Notes

*There were no decision notes for this meeting.*

**7. Administration and Corporate Services Committee**

Council Lead - Councillor Vaters

a. Decision Notes

1. Director of Planning and Protective Services Appointment

**Resolution No. M25-003**

**Moved by** Councillor Vaters  
**Seconded by** Councillor Carew

**Be it resolved that Kim Blanchard be appointed to the position of Director of Planning and Protective Services as of February 10, 2025. I so move.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

b. Committee Report

Councillor Vaters brought forward a report from the Administration and Corporate Services committee.

As the Administration and Corporate Services Committee did not meet since the last Public Council Meeting, we want to remind residents that the 2025 Budget was passed at the December 17 Public Council Meeting. The \$44.6 million dollar budget maintains the mil rates for 2025 at 7.4 and 11.5 for residential and commercial respectively along with no changes to the water and sewer fees. Full details on the budget are available on the website at [paradise.ca/budget](http://paradise.ca/budget).

The new Town app was launched on December 18 and is available to download from the Apple and Google app stores. To date, 700 users have downloaded it. At launch there were some minor issues with certain email addresses and with Android devices, both of which were quickly rectified. The app offers the Town's garbage and recycling collection calendar and information on Town events and news.

The app is the latest part of the Town's work to enhance resident communications. In addition to the app, residents can subscribe to the resident notification system which allows users to receive updates and information through text message, email, or phone call. There are currently over 2330 subscribers on that system.

**Resolution No. M25-004**

**Moved by** Councillor Vaters

**Seconded by** Councillor Quilty

**Be it resolved that Council adopt the January 7, 2025 report from the Administration and Corporate Services Committee.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**8. Recreation and Community Services Committee**

Council Lead - Councillor Martin

a. Decision Notes

1. Paradise Double Ice Complex Vending Services Request for Proposals

**Resolution No. M25-005**

**Moved by** Councillor Martin

**Seconded by** Councillor Carew

**Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise award the vending services agreement to Browning Harvey Limited for a period of two (2) years with three optional renewal terms of one (1) year each.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

b. Committee Report

Councillor Martin brought forward a report from the Recreation and Community Services committee.

The Recreation and Community Services Committee met on December 16, 2024 and the following item was discussed.

- The Vending Services RFP (TOP-24-31) with recommendation to move forward with awarding the RFP.

**Resolution No. M25-006**

**Moved by** Councillor Martin

**Seconded by** Councillor Maher

**Be it resolved that Council adopt the January 7, 2025, report from Recreation and Community Services Committee.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**9. Planning and Protective Services Committee**

Council Lead - Councillor Quilty

a. Decision Notes

*There were no decision notes for this meeting.*

b. Permits

1. 30 Ellsworth Street – Home Based Business

**Resolution No. M25-007**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Carew

**Be it resolved that the application B2024-908 for a home-based business at 30 Ellsworth Street be approved subject to no objections in response to the Notice of Discretionary Use and ten (10) conditions.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

2. 122 Summit Drive – Development Approval

**Resolution No. M25-008**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Maher

**Be it resolved that application B2024-893 to construct a second accessory building at 122 Summit Drive be approved subject to 13 conditions and no objections being received in response to the Notice of Discretionary Use.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

c. Orders

1. 63 Paradise Road - Rescind Order

**Resolution No. M25-009**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Carew

**Be it resolved that an order regarding the removal of a dilapidated vehicle, tires, and debris from the property located at 63 Paradise Road, as per motion #M24-305, be rescinded by Council, as the order has been complied with.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

d. Committee Report

Councillor Quilty brought forward a report from the Planning and Protective Services committee.

The Planning and Protective Services Committee met on December 19. Matters dealt with at the meeting included the following:

- A Home-Based Business application for a property on Ellsworth Street.
- An accessory building application for a Summit Drive property.

The Committee accepted the Departmental Report prepared by staff for the committee. Matters dealt with in the Report are as follows:

- A draft Development Regulations amendment prepared by staff which included changes to increase the clarity and utility of the Regulations. Committee requested one change to the document and were in support of the amendment being publicly advertised.
- A listing of Building Permits issued between December 4 and 16.

**Resolution No. M25-010**

**Moved by** Councillor Quilty

**Seconded by** Councillor Carew

**Be it resolved that Council adopt the January 7, 2025 report from the Planning and Protective Services Committee.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**10. Public Works Committee**

Council Lead - Councillor Carew

a. Decision Notes

1. Unit 100 Tandem Dump Truck Repair

**Resolution No. M25-011**

**Moved by** Councillor Carew

**Seconded by** Councillor Maher

**Be it resolved that the Town of Paradise proceed with the repairs to Unit 100 – 2016 International Tandem Dump Truck at**

**Harvey & Company Ltd, in the amount of \$36,279.91 HST included.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

b. Committee Report

Councillor Carew brought forward a report from the Public Works committee.

The Public Works Committee met on December 18, 2024, and the following items were discussed.

- An update on Front-End Loader Leasing for 2025. The tender will be issued in the first quarter of 2025.
- The committee discussed an extensive repair quote on Unit 100 – 2016 International Tandem at the local dealer.
- The Department's information report was provided for information; however, the committee asked for this to be carried forward to the next meeting as they did not have ample time to review it.

This week's green goal moment is Plant Trees.

Planting trees is a great way to protect the environment. Increasing the number of trees helps reduce the carbon footprint. Trees also cleanse the air and improve air quality by absorbing CO<sub>2</sub> and releasing oxygen.

**Resolution No. M25-012**

**Moved by** Councillor Carew

**Seconded by** Councillor Vaters

**Be it resolved that Council adopt the January 7, 2025 report from the Public Works committee.**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**11. Community Highlights**

- Councillor Vaters informed Council and residents that the GU15 soccer team recently went to Nationals were proclaimed as the NLSA Youth Team of the Year. The team will be attending an upcoming Public Council Meeting to be recognized.

- Councillor Martin commended staff on the beautiful job done at Peter Barry Duff Memorial Park.
- Councillor Quilty extended a Happy New Year to all staff, Council and residents and hopes its a wonderful 2025.
- Councillor Carew informed residents that next week will be the first Public Committee of the Whole meeting. He noted that under the new Towns and Local Services District Act, it is mandated that Municipalities move to the Committee of the Whole Structure. CAO Niblock provided a point of clarification stating that the new act requires all meetings of Council be public, the committee structure could have remained the same; however the Town decided to move to the Committee of the Whole structure.
- Councillor Maher noted that he is looking forward to moving into the new structure of Committee of the Whole.
- Councillor Maher thanked the residents who took the time to decorate around the trails this season.

## 12. Adjournment

### **Resolution No. M25-013**

**Moved by** Councillor Vaters

**Seconded by** Councillor Martin

To adjourn the meeting at 6:29 pm.

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

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Dan Bobbett, Mayor

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Terrilynn Smith, Town Clerk