PARAGONAH TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING 44 NORTH 100 WEST, PARAGONAH TOWN HALL July 9, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.

<u>Attendance/Town Board Members</u>: Todd Robinson, Mike Abbott, Travis Isaacson, Marge Cipkar. Absent: Todd Memmott

<u>Others in Attendance:</u> Nancy Dalton (Planning Commission Chair), Eric Walker, Jayne Stones (Town Clerk)

Pledge

- 1. Call meeting to order: Todd Robinson
- 2. Declaration of conflict of interest: None declared.
- 3. <u>Adopt agenda</u>: Travis Isaacson moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mike Abbott seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 4. <u>Approve minutes of June 11, 2025, Regular Meeting</u>: Marge Cipkar moved to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2025, Regular Town Board Meeting as presented. Mike Abbott seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

5. Mayor's Report:

a) Discuss and make decision concerning sponsoring a contest to design an official logo for Paragonah Town: Todd Robinson asked Board Members what they thought about sponsoring a contest to design an official logo for Paragonah Town. He suggested a \$500 prize for the winner. The logo needs to be easy to duplicate/copy, must be original and not infringe on any copyrights/trademarks, and you must be a Paragonah resident in order to participate. Entries must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on September 2nd. The Mayor and Town Board members will judge the entries, and the winner will be announced at the September meeting. Comment was made that \$500 seems a little high and it was suggested to lower it to \$250. Todd Robinson moved to approve sponsoring a logo contest for Paragonah Town with the winning entry to receive \$250. Marge Cipkar seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Todd also reported he has information on B&C Road funding that he will give to Todd Memmott. Funds are allocated based 50% on population and 50% on

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road miles. Discussion took place concerning the easements for the water project which have all been recorded. Chris Menely's had to be corrected because the original easement was written to include all 30 acres of his property.

Iron County distributed banners to all communities in commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. This will be a year long celebration starting July 1, 2025, and ending July 4, 2026. Special events and activities have been planned, and individual communities are encouraged to incorporate this special event into any activities they may sponsor throughout the year. Jayne Stones said the banner was displayed at the 4th of July program and she had many people comment on how nice it was. Todd said we need to find a place where it can be displayed.

Discussion took place concerning getting electronic meters for the Town. The Water Project already includes this for the water. UAMPS encourages its members to adopt an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) for improved reliability, efficiency and customer service. Todd explained if we go this route, power will be able to be turned off from the computer, no more worrying about not being able to read the meters because of dogs, etc. For a 3-year period the yearly fee is around \$20000/year. He talked to Jeremy Franklin with Parowan and he said we could save money if we hooked into Parowan's system which is already established. We would pay 50% of their costs which would be between \$6000/\$10000 a year plus the cost of the meters. The Town would still control its own power. This is something the Town needs to be considering.

Todd Robinson explained how UAMPS has always been a project-based organization and Town has been able to choose what projects we participate in such as CRSP, Horse Butte, Steel Solar, Sunny Side, etc. UMPA (Utah Municipal Power Agency) functions more as a joint action agency with its members entering into long-term wholesale power sale agreements and everyone has to participate in a project, they are not as flexible. UAMPS has been thinking about going in this direction. It would make billing easier. A decision has not yet been made. They will be sending questionnaires to receive input. The next UAMPS meeting will be held August 17th to the 19th at Lake Tahoe.

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- **6.** <u>Water Report</u>: Mike Abbott said the water sample bottles came and he will be going around town collecting samples for the next couple of weeks. Todd will talk to Sunrise and get an update on the water project.
 - a) Approve Resolution 25-4, A Resolution adopting a Water Conservation Plan for Paragonah Town: As part of the loan closing requirements for our Water Improvement Project we need a simple Water Conservation Plan. Roger Carter, Community Administrator Advisor with Five County, drafted a plan which should meet all the requirements. Todd Robinson moved to adopt Resolution 25-4 as presented. Mike Abbott seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 7. <u>Power/Fire Department Reports</u>: Travis Isaacson discussed putting in new transformers for both Jungman and Red Creek/Robb Subdivisions. The Power board needs to have meeting to discuss this. There was nothing to report for the Fire Department other than responding to a few calls.
- **8.** <u>Cemetery/Planning Commission Reports</u>: Marge Cipkar had nothing to report on the Cemetery.
 - a) Review and make decision concerning Ordinance 25-1, An Ordinance amending Lot Line Definitions and Regulations: The Planning Commission made the changes suggested by the Town Board at their last meeting. The terms all match now and are less confusing. After much discussion concerning the possibility of making all the setbacks the same such as 25 feet, decision was made to keep the setbacks as they are in the ordinance. Todd Robinson moved to adopt Ordinance 25-1. Travis Isaacson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Travis Isaacson Aye, Mike Abbot Aye, Marge Cipkar Aye, Todd Memmott Absent. Motion carried.
 - b) Make decision concerning Planning Commission Request for \$100 for online course "Understanding Short-Term Rentals": Nancy Dalton said there is an online course being offered on "Understanding Short-Term Rentals". There are 2 parts. The training would be for all the Planning Commission members and would help us to meet part of our training as required by the state. According to Nancy, Roger Carter said he cannot help us with this because he does not have any experience with the enforcement part.

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Todd Robinson moved to approve payment of \$100 for the Planning Commission to participate in the online training course concerning short-term rentals. Roll call vote: Todd Robinson – Aye, Travis Isaacson – Aye, Mike Abbott – Aye, Marge Cipkar – Nay, Todd Memmott – Absent. Motion carried.

- 9.Roads/Park/Building Department Reports: No report given.
- **10.** Open Discussion: Eric Walker said he heard Lamb's company in Orderville is now under new ownership. He suggested the Town should check with them and see if they can help us with our roads. Comment was made the new County Commissioner over roads is Ken Robinson. Nancy Dalton said she sees him quite frequently at IFA and will talk to him and see how he feels about the County helping us with our roads.
- 11. <u>Adjourn meeting/Review Financial Statements/Approve Bills</u>: Todd Robinson moved to adjourn meeting, review financial statements and approve bills. Travis Isaacson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.