

Paradise Town
Office of the Mayor

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CLEAN-UP – Most of us were surprised by the heavy snowfall on Memorial Day. Many of the trees in our yards and parks were damaged, resulting in large amounts of debris to be disposed of. Logan City has agreed to empty the Green Waste container on a more frequent basis for the next few weeks to catch us up on the mess.

Please **DO NOT** place the limbs (or any other junk) on the right-of-way between your property line and the asphalt. Simply watch for when the roll-off is empty again or pile it in your own yard for safe burning after coordinating with Troy from the Fire Department. Of course – limbs can be dropped off at the Logan Landfill for free, as long as the loads are reasonably covered with a tarp.

Dumping your trash in another person's dumpster (like at the Churches or Town Square) is technically a chargeable offense called "Theft of Services." Often I see things thrown in those containers that can result in fines, such as tires and the like. Please be a good neighbor and don't dump on others! Also – remember that plastic bags containing lawn clippings cannot be thrown into the Green Waste container.

WATER – We have been and will be doing some fire hydrant flushing as required by both the State Fire regulations to test flow rate as well as recommended by the Division of Drinking Water to periodically remove the sediment that can accumulate in lines. If the water at your tap appears slightly discolored, it is safe to consume, but you may want to let it run at your kitchen tap for a few minutes until it clears.

The cloudiness in the water this spring/summer is caused by high amounts of air mixing in at the spring source as well as during the high volume/velocity flows coming from the canyon into the reservoir. If you watch, the cloudy/gray appearance quickly dissipates and you will see that the water looks normal after a few seconds. Again, this might seem a little different but has no affect on the quality or safety of the water.

ROADS – Replacement of some sections of road will begin in early July on 9000 South and 9200 South. Please be courteous to the road crews and go around the block to reach your destination rather than disturb their work. Slurry Seal will also be applied to various other sections of asphalt in Town and the same patient and courteous actions will result in better application results as well as safety for the workers.

We will be mowing the Town right-of-way areas during the next few weeks for those that choose not to maintain the land between their property and the pavement. Please remove all

vehicles, junk, limbs and other items so we can mow the grass to prevent a fire hazard when it dries in a few weeks.

ELECTIONS and PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - There are 2 seats available this November for Town Council. These are 4-year positions that require a minimum of 12 months residency in Town as well as a few other simple State mandated rules. Unofficially, Jay has indicated that he is likely to file and run again and Mat is remaining undecided as far as I have been told.

The time period outlined by the State to “declare candidacy” is between 8 AM July 1 and 5 PM July 15. Please contact Bev to get the necessary forms and info. I believe that those who have ever spent time on the Council will attest that it is an important part of making Paradise a better place to live.

For any that might be interested in serving in the Town but want to avoid the formality of elections and a 4-year term, there are a couple of members of our Planning Commission that have served for a long time and have wondered when we can replace them. Please talk to myself, Bev, or any member of the Council if you are interested in this kind of opportunity.

NEW PARK – We are selling the first crop hay on the new park property “on the stump.” This simply means that we are taking bids on a price-per-ton basis and the successful bidder agrees to weigh a few bales to establish an average, and then pay the Town for the hay. If you or anyone you know are interested in the alfalfa/grass hay, please download the form from the net at www.paradise.utah.gov or contact Bev. There are about 14.5 acres of non-irrigated hay that will need to be cut soon after the Council declares a winner at the June 15th meeting.

After the hay is removed, the Park Committee will rapidly be moving out on getting the arena put in. Of course, volunteer labor and equipment is always needed and appreciated. Contact Kyle Smith or Jason Summers to let them know you want to help.

FARMER’S MARKET – On Wednesday evenings, the Farmer’s Market will be held throughout the summer at the park. Please take a look at www.paradisemarket.org for more information on the products that typically are available or for information on making your items available.

Please call me or e-mail with any concerns, comments, or questions regarding the above notes or other Town issues.

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