GENERAL VOTER INFORMATION

To be able to vote in the November 3, 2020 General Election, you must register with the Butte County Registrar of Voters at least 15 days prior to election day. Voter registration forms are available at Town Hall, Post Offices, Public Libraries, Dept. of Motor Vehicles, Butte County Clerk’s Office, or online at http://registertovote.ca.gov.

Population: Estimated to be less than 5,000.

HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

CONTACT:

Paradise Town Clerk:
Dina Volenski
530-872-6291 ext. 102

California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC):
www.fppc.ca.gov
General Contact Line: (916) 322-5660
1-866-ASK-FPPC (1-866-275-3772)

REIMBURSEMENT:
Paradise Town Council members receive a monthly salary of $300. They also receive a monthly travel allowance of $90. The Town Council shall be eligible for enrollment in the Town’s health benefits package based upon the same terms as provided to town management employees. (Ord. 157 (part), 1986: Ord. 183, §1, 1988: Ord. 366, §1, 2001: Ord. No. 454, § 1, 9-26-06)
Three (3) seats on the Paradise Town Council will be decided at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election. The successful candidates will serve a four-year term of office beginning on the first regular Council meeting in December 2020 and continuing through the first regular Council meeting in December 2024. The upcoming vacancies will occur as a result of the expiration of terms of office for the positions currently held by Greg Bolin, Melissa Schuster and Mike Zuccolillo.

GETTING STARTED
All Candidates must meet with the Paradise Town Clerk to go over the nomination packet and forms. The Town Clerk will be taking appointments starting on July 13. To set up an appointment call the Town Clerk, Dina Volenski at 872-6291 extension 102.

All candidates must fill out and submit to the Town Clerk a Form 501 before soliciting/receiving contributions (Form 501 Candidate Intention Statement is available at the Town Clerk Office or Online).

All Manuals & forms are available for download at www.fppc.ca.gov

COUNCIL NOMINATION PACKET WILL INCLUDE:
• Nomination Paper
• Ballot Designation Worksheet
• Fair Political Practices Commission Form 501 Candidate Intention
• Form 700 Candidate Statement
• Campaign Disclosure Form (Forms 410, 460 or 470 candidate will determine which one is appropriate for his/her campaign)
• Candidate Statement 200 words or less

RECORD KEEPING:
Remember to keep all receipts of expenditures and detailed information concerning the source of your contributions. Candidates must deposit funds into a campaign bank account before spending money on the campaign. This includes a candidates own money.

Restrictions on Contributions:
• No anonymous contributions of $100 or more.
• Never accept or spend $100 or more in cash.
• The true source of the contribution must be reported.
• Campaign Funds cannot be used for personal use.

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS TO RUN FOR AND HOLD PUBLIC OFFICE
A CANDIDATE MUST BE:
• A United States Citizen;
• At least 18 years or older
• A registered voter in the Town of Paradise.

TOWN COUNCIL
The Town of Paradise is a General Law City. It has five (5) members on the Town Council. The mayor is appointed by the Town Council annually in December. Council Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.

NOMINATION PAPER:
Each Candidate must be nominated by signatures of not less than 20 and no more than 30 registered voters. The signers must be registered voters of the Town of Paradise.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS:
The California Elections Code allows each candidate for the nonpartisan elective office in a city to prepare a Candidate Statement of Qualification to be included with the sample ballot that is mailed to each registered voter. The filing of a candidate statement is strictly OPTIONAL on the part of a candidate and requires a $450 dollar deposit (Resolution No. 20-10).