

**MINUTES  
CITY OF SAINT PAUL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
April 17, 2024**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Mercurief called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Council members present were Naomi Edenshaw, Daniel Porath, Heidi Mercurief, Joseph Kozloff Ray Melovidov.

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

CM Porath MOVED to approve. Seconded by CM Mercurief. There were no comments or questions. Motion to approve was carried by a Voice vote with 6 Ayes.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

CM Mercurief MOVED to approve the Special Meeting minutes for January 18. Seconded by CM Edenshaw. There were no comments or questions. Motion to approve was carried by a Voice vote with 7 Ayes.

CM Edenshaw MOVED to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for March 27. Seconded by CM Kozloff. There were no comments or questions. Motion to approve was carried by a Voice vote with 7 Ayes.

**V. PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

There was no one to address the Council.

**VI. REPORTS**

**A. Mayor**

No report.

**B. City Manager**

Zavadil provided a written report and was available for questions. CM Melovidov asked for an update on Electric Utility Unit 6 repairs. There is no update on if Trident had an extra part to assist with repairs.

**C. City Clerk**

Wegeleben provided a written report.

**D. Finance Director**

Mandregan provided a written report.

**E. Project/Grants Specialist**

Since the last meeting, there has been no new awards, 4 applications totaling a request of \$696,010 have been submitted, 23 applications totaling \$62,370,962 are pending and 7 applications are under development. CM Melovidov asked for clarification on the solar panel arrays and battery storage system. The CPRG focuses on 2.5-megawatt battery storage system and enhancing controls and other things for TDX power wind generators and 3 additional wind

generators that would be integrated into the grid. The battery system allows diesel generators and wind to work together, controls and stabilizes. The batteries would distribute the power to the grid. The 3 new wind generators would be newer models and would not have the box on top. The plan it to, with the upgrades, take in more alternative energy. The goal with the EPA grant is to reduce emissions and eventually shut off generators, to burn less fuel, with battery system powering the grid.

**F. Kuna Engineering**

Joe Rolfzen and team with Kuna Engineering presented on SS4A Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. They hosted a community meeting and met with various entities to gather public input to develop information related to transportation safety. They traveled the roads, looking at physical issues including guard rails, signage, amount of lighting, drainage and impacts on safety. The plan’s efforts are focused on the safety of existing roads and trails.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Resolution 24-10 – Authorizing the City to Apply for the USDOT Maritime Administration FY24 Port Infrastructure Development Program Grant**

CM Edenshaw MOVED to approve. Seconded by CM Porath.

This is the fourth year in a row to apply. Asking for planning and construction for City South Dock and berthing dolphins. This grant has a clause where as a rural community with a small port project under 11.2 million there is no match required and a cost benefit analysis does not need to be submitted which alone would cost 20-25 thousand dollars.

Motion to approve Resolution 24-10 was carried by Roll Call vote of 6 Ayes.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no executive session held.

**XI. NEXT MEETING DATES/TIMES/AGENDA ITEMS**

A. May 29, 2024 @ 9AM

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

CM Porath MOVED to adjourn. Seconded by CM Mercurief. Motion was carried by Voice vote with 6 Ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 10:56AM.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED:

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Aubrey Wegeleben, City Clerk

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Date