

MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jacob Mercurief at 9:07 AM. Councilmembers present were Daniel Porath, Dimitri Zacharof, Richard Warner, Robert Owens, Raymond Melovidov and Jason Bourdukofsky. A quorum was established. This meeting was held via teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER

Clmbr Melovidov moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Clmbr Owens. A roll call vote was held:

AGENDA  
APPROVED

Ayes-Zacharof, Owens, Porath, Melovidov, Warner, Bourdukofsky, Mercurief.

No- 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Clmbr Zacharof moved to approve the March 11, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Clmbr Warner.

MARCH 11, 2020  
MINUTES  
APPROVED

A roll call vote was held:

Ayes-Porath, Warner, Melovidov, Owens, Zacharof, Bourdukofsky, Mercurief.

No-0

Motion carried unanimously.

Clmbr Melovidov moved to approve the March 19, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Clmbr Owens.

MARCH 19, 2020  
MINUTES  
APPROVED

A roll call vote was held:

Ayes: Owens, Zacharof, Melovidov, Porath, Warner, Bourdukofsky, Mercurief.

No-0

Motion carried unanimously.

Clmbr Zacharof moved to approve the March 26, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Clmbr Bourdukofsky.

MARCH 26, 2020  
MINUTES  
APPROVED

A roll call vote was held:

Ayes-Bourdukofsky, Porath, Zacharof, Owens, Melovidov, Warner, Mercurief.

No-0

Motion carried unanimously.

Mgr Zavadil gave his report: The Unified Command team has designated housing units for quarantine centers during the COVID-19 pandemic. All symptomatic people will be in one-unit, positive cases will be in another and one unit for individuals who would like to quarantine away from home after traveling. Clmbr Porath asked about the possibility of testing everyone in the community. Mgr Zavadil stated that the rapid test is here but there are a very limited supply and people who are tested have to meet the criteria. Ravn filed for bankruptcy on April 5, 2020. Ace, Security and Grant are available for charters in the meant time. The DOT sent a letter to Ravn stating they are obligated to serve St. Paul under the EAS agreement. There has been no response as of today. It is known if there will be a halibut fishing season at this time. There are usually about 25 people that fly in each year for the season, they would have to follow all the mandates and quarantine for 14 days. A meeting will be held later to discuss other options.

CITY MANAGER  
REPORT

A break was held between 10:28 and 10:38.

Finance Director Mandregan gave her report: The department has implemented changes for the safety of the employees and to ensure the department will remain working for now. Applied changes to utilities procedures to reduce the need for customers to come to the City Hall and also implemented changes to the way business is done. To reduce the flow of cash and a line at the window. The department is working on the audit remotely.

FINANCE  
DIRECTOR  
REPORT

Chief Lamblez gave his report: The new officer Ryan McMicken is planning on attending the academy in July. All of his required paperwork and exams have been completed. The department has hired Jo Lynn Auginaush as the Lead Dispatcher/Admin Assistant. The new squad vehicle and the new Harbor Master vehicles have arrived. All EMS and ETT's are equipped with proper PPE and a majority have been fitted for N95 masks. EMS is seeking volunteers to become ETT certified or become drivers and lift assistants.

## PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

PwDir Ed Paulus gave his report: The City is currently not accepting any work orders until further notice. The department has made changes to follow all health mandates and alerts. Every employee has their own vehicle, so nobody is riding together. If that is not possible each employee will wear a mask when in the vehicle. The Facility Maintenance crew has been busy finishing the repairs in house 25 and 163B. Motor Pool is closed to the public and not accepting work orders. Materials have been ordered for the street light project and meter change outs. Repairs were done on the main water line on Polovina Turnpike which only disrupted service to the Post Office. Investigating the water leak on the water tank, seems to be water overflow allowing water to get behind the new liner. Self-Hauls have been restricted to Thursday and Friday afternoons only.

## PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Clmbr Zacharof moved to approve Resolution 20-06, Declaration of Emergency and Banning Non-Essential Travel, seconded by Clmbr Melovidov. The Resolution was first passed on March 26, 2020 and was in effect for 30 days. Today it needs to be reviewed and possibly extended with a new clause for the expiration date due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Clmbr Melovidov moved to extend Resolution 20-06 until May 15, 2020, seconded by Clmbr Warner.

## RESOLUTION 20-06, DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY AND BANNING NON-ESSENTIAL TRAVEL

A roll call vote was held to approve the amendment:

Ayes- Porath, Owens, Bourdukofsky, Warner, Melovidov, Zacharof, Merculief.

No- 0

Motion carried unanimously.

A roll call vote was held to approve Resolution 20-16:

Ayes- Warner, Bourdukofsky, Owens, Zacharof, Melovidov, Porath, Merculief.

No- 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Clmbr Zacharof moved to approve Ordinance 20-04, Revising Title 2, Section 2.15.120 Meeting by Teleconference, seconded by Clmbr Bourdukofsky. This will change the Ordinance so the council can meet by teleconference and will count as a quorum.

A roll call vote was held:

Ayes- Zacharof, Porath, Melovidov, Bourdukofsky, Owens, Warner, Merculief.

No- 0

Motion carried unanimously.

## ORDINANCE 20- 04, TITLE 2, SECTION 2.15.120, MEETING BY TELE- CONFERENCE, RVSN

Clmbr Bourdukofsky moved to approve Emergency Ordinance 20-92, Closure of the Saint Paul Harbor, seconded by Clmbr Zacharof. There is potential the virus can come in through the harbor. This will be another measure to eliminate the risks of the community contracting the virus. This Emergency Ordinance will be in effect for 30 days until it is reviewed again. Clmbr Melovidov moved to amend the Ordinance to include: whose home port is St. Paul; carrying cargo containers or fuel; delivering snow crab; picking up or dropping off crab pots, seconded by Clmbr Bourdukofsky.

## EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 20-92, CLOSURE OF SAINT PAUL HARBOR

A roll call vote was held to approve the amendment:

Ayes- Melovidov, Warner, Bourdukofsky, Porath, Zacharof, Owens, Merculief.

No- 0

Motion carried unanimously.

A roll call vote was held to approve Emergency Ordinance 20-92:  
Ayes- Owens, Porath, Zacharof, Warner, Melovidov, Bourdukofsky, Mercurief.  
No- 0  
Motion carried unanimously.

Clmbr Bourdukofsky moved to approve Resolution 20-07, Emergency Management Plan Approval, seconded by Clmbr Warner. Since the City doesn't have an Emergency Operations Plan in place that would outline general procedures on how to respond to emergencies. This plan incorporates the CDC, State and CCRA guidelines as well.

RESOLUTION 20-07, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL

A roll call vote was held:

Ayes- Bourdukofsky, Melovidov, Warner, Zacharof, Porath, Owens, Mercurief.

No- 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Clmbr Bourdukofsky moved to approve Resolution 20-08, Supporting USDA High Energy Cost Grant Application, seconded by Clmbr Warner. Portions of the existing electrical distribution system needs to be replaced to mitigate power outages to critical infrastructure and to meet standards. The City has budgeted for the in-kind match.

RESOLUTION 20-08, SUPPORTING USDA GRANT APPLICATION

A roll call vote was held:

Ayes- Owens, Zacharof, Melovidov, Bourdukofsky, Porath, Warner, Mercurief.

No-0

Motion carried unanimously.

The essential workers would earn additional pay during the pandemic. The pay additional pay is pro-rated to hours worked. Anyone that takes leave would not earn the emergency pay for those hours. This is only temporary during COVID-19.

CITY COUNCIL REVIEW OF EMERGENCY PAY POLICY

The next meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

NEXT MEETING

Clmbr Zacharof moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Clmbr Bourdukofsky. The motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 12:12 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED:

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Monique Baker, City Clerk

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Date