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CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 6, 2020

MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM

PRESENT:

- Meg Kelly, Mayor
- Michele Madigan, Commissioner
- John Franck, Commissioner
- Skip Scirocco, Commissioner
- Robin Dalton, Commissioner



1           MAYOR KELLY: Good morning. Welcome  
2 to pre-agenda for the city council  
3 meeting. Today is Monday the 6th. This  
4 is pre-agenda for July 7th, tomorrow  
5 evening.

6           There are no public hearings  
7 tomorrow. There are no presentations.  
8 We have no executive sessions at this  
9 time.

10           Are there any changes to the consent  
11 agenda as published?

12           Onto the Mayor's department. My  
13 first item is an announcement, age-  
14 friendly survey for Saratoga County.

15           My second item, appointment,  
16 Community Development Citizens Advisory  
17 Committee.

18           My third item is discussion and  
19 vote, approval of the 2020 recreation  
20 summer camp personnel hourly wage rates.  
21 The recreation department has recognized  
22 the staffing plan for this summer's camp  
23 program, has reorganized the staffing  
24 plan for the summer camp's program. The  
25 camp assistant director is set at twenty



1 an hour. The camp counselors are set  
2 fourteen an hour. Both types of position  
3 are seasonal part-time positions. These  
4 rates will allow us to attract a wide  
5 pool of applicants so we can have the  
6 best possible summer camp for our  
7 community children.

8 My fourth item is discussion and  
9 vote, authorization for the city council  
10 to approved revised 2020 standard field  
11 use agreement, 2020 Saratoga Little  
12 League field use agreement, 2020 Miss  
13 Softball field use agreement, and 2020  
14 Saratoga/Wilton Youth baseball field use  
15 agreement.

16 These field license agreements were  
17 updated due to the reduced labor and the  
18 Department of Public Works and the  
19 current New York State guidelines related  
20 to COVID-19. The insurance requirements  
21 have not changed.

22 My next item is discussion and vote,  
23 memorandum of agreement between the City  
24 of Saratoga Springs and the Capital  
25 District Transportation Authority



1           regarding Geyser Road and Route 50  
2           improvements.

3                   CDTA is moving forward with their  
4           plans to construct a new bus station on  
5           Geyser Road in support of the City's  
6           ongoing Geyser Road projects. CDTA will  
7           reimburse the City for the construction  
8           of the new infrastructure so the City  
9           will not be spending any money on this  
10          item. CDTA will be responsible for the  
11          maintenance of this new infrastructure.

12                   My next item is discussion and vote,  
13          approval of Paper Street conveyance and  
14          authorization for the mayor to sign  
15          transfer document.

16                   That concludes my agenda. And I  
17          will turn it over to Commissioner of  
18          Accounts John Franck.

19                   COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Thank you.

20                   The first item is discussion and  
21          vote, accept donation for hand sanitizer  
22          from Cooperstown Distillery. We've done  
23          this a number of times in the past.

24                   The second and third items are award  
25          of bids, extension of bid for HVAC



1 services to BPI Mechanical for Department  
2 of Public Safety and award of bid,  
3 extension of bid plumbing services to BPI  
4 Mechanical for Department of Public  
5 Safety.

6 My fourth item is appointment to the  
7 Board of Assessment Review Joy King.

8 And we are going to add an item  
9 which will be a discussion and vote,  
10 authorization for mayor to sign  
11 contract -- or award -- I'm sorry, with  
12 Surpass Chemical Inc. for the water  
13 treatment plan out of DPW. We just added  
14 that on due to insurance because Marilyn  
15 was out.

16 Anybody have any questions related  
17 to those items? Okay. Thank you, Mayor.

18 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you. Thank you,  
19 Commissioner.

20 On to finance.

21 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you,  
22 Mayor.

23 So the first item is an update from  
24 the finance department, COVID-19, and  
25 city finances. I'll provide a very brief



1 summary of the City's fiscal year 2020  
2 status. It's been three weeks since  
3 we've met. We've had a lot of changes  
4 and updates.

5 I'll discuss the outlook for 2021 as  
6 it relates to the 2021 budget process and  
7 have an update on VLT for the public. I  
8 sent an email to council last week. We  
9 received eighty percent of our VLT  
10 funding.

11 Also I'll have a bit of an update on  
12 where we're at with sales tax.

13 The second item is a discussion and  
14 vote, budget amendments for payroll.

15 And the third item is a discussion  
16 and vote, budget transfers contingency.  
17 And that specifically pertains to  
18 bringing back the deputy commissioner of  
19 finance to the finance department.

20 Thank you. And that completes my  
21 agenda.

22 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you,  
23 Commissioner.

24 On to public works.

25 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: Thank you.



1           There we go.

2                   I have two items on my agenda.

3           Well, glasses steamed up.

4                   The first item on my agenda is  
5           discussion and vote. This is  
6           authorization for the mayor to sign a  
7           contract with Surpass Chemicals Company  
8           Inc. for water treat chemicals -- or  
9           water treatment plant chemicals.

10                   Second item is discussion and vote.  
11           And this is approval to accept a donation  
12           from Saratoga Miss Softball. And that's  
13           it.

14                   MAYOR KELLY: Thank you,  
15           Commissioner.

16                   On to Commissioner Dalton.

17                   COMMISSIONER DALTON: Hi. Thank  
18           you, Mayor.

19                   The first item on my agenda is an  
20           announcement about the phase 4 reopening.

21                   And then I do have one addition  
22           which is just going to be a second  
23           announcement about the community  
24           conversation we're having on Wednesday  
25           night at 5 p.m. It's to discuss race and



1           policing and the future of the police  
2           department, but primarily it's just to  
3           listen to constituents and their concerns  
4           regarding the Black Lives Matter movement  
5           and the future of our police department.  
6           So that would be my second announcement.

7                     The third item is discussion and  
8           vote, authorization for the mayor to sign  
9           an amendment with Axon. This is an  
10          amendment to the Axon contract for  
11          cameras for the interview rooms in the  
12          police department which are mandated.

13                    Number three is an appointment to  
14          the Complete Streets Advisory Committee.  
15          I'm reappointing Erin Maziel. I'm hoping  
16          she will accept the appointment. She's a  
17          great member of the Complete Streets  
18          Committee. And I hope she will come  
19          back.

20                    Number 4 is a discussion and vote,  
21          accepting donation to the SSPD K-9 unit.

22                    Number 5 is a discussion and vote,  
23          authorization for the mayor to sign a  
24          contract extension with BPI Mechanical  
25          Services for HVAC services. That's HVAC





1 for the Public Safety Department.

2 Number 6 is a discussion and vote,  
3 authorization for the mayor to sign a  
4 contract extension for BPI Mechanical  
5 Services for plumbing services.

6 Number 7 is a discussion and vote,  
7 authorization for the mayor to sign a  
8 lease agreement with Ricoh. This is our  
9 agreement of the copy machines for the  
10 Public Safety Department.

11 And that concludes my agenda. Thank  
12 you, Mayor.

13 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you,  
14 Commissioner.

15 And I am going to go back to my  
16 agenda for one moment. I need two items  
17 that I'll be adding.

18 My first item is discussion and  
19 vote, authorization for the mayor to sign  
20 a deed of sale regarding workforce  
21 housing unit at 289 Jefferson Street,  
22 Unit 18.

23 And discussion and vote,  
24 authorization of mayor to sign deed for  
25 sale workforce housing unit at 289



1           Jefferson Street, Unit 19. So I'll be  
2           adding those two items.

3                    On to the supervisor, Supervisor  
4           Veitch, reopening committee update.

5                    Supervisor Gaston, COVID-19 update,  
6           board of supervisors update.

7                    Any other business from the council?

8                    COMMISSIONER DALTON: That's all I  
9           got.

10                   MAYOR KELLY: Okay. Thank you all.  
11           And we will be meeting at the recreation  
12           center tomorrow for a 7 p.m. meeting.  
13           Public is invited. Limited space is  
14           available. We'll have a sign-in at the  
15           door. So if you want to come and have  
16           public comment, you have to sign in, and  
17           you have to go through our COVID  
18           protocol.

19                    So with that being said, if there's  
20           no questions, we are adjourned. Thank  
21           you.

22                    (Meeting adjourned)

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