



May 18, 2021

CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS
City Council Meeting

7:00 PM

(via zoom)

7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO FLAG

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD / 15 MINUTES

PRESENTATION

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2. SiFi Networks Broadband – Benefits of City-wide Broadband

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3. County Resilience Committee

ADJOURN



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(via Zoom)

PRESENT: Meg Kelly, Mayor
Michele Madigan, Commissioner of Finance
John Franck, Commissioner of Accounts
Anthony Scirocco, Commissioner of DPW
Robin Dalton, Commissioner of DPS

STAFF PRESENT: Lisa Shields, Deputy Mayor
Deirdre Ladd, Deputy Commissioner of Finance
Maire Masterson, Deputy Commissioner, Accounts
Joe O'Neill, Deputy Commissioner, DPW
Eileen Finneran, Deputy Commissioner, DPS

Vincent DeLeonardis

Matthew Veitch, Supervisor
Tara Gaston, Supervisor

RECORDING OF PROCEEDING

The proceedings of this meeting were taped for the benefit of the secretary. Because the minutes are not a verbatim record of the proceedings, the minutes are not a word-for-word transcript.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Kelly said the public comment period is limited to a total of 15 minutes and individuals are limited to two minutes.

Mayor Kelly opened the public comment period at 7:01 p.m.

Jason Tepper stated pedestrian safety is in the forefront of minds in the North Side neighborhood and around Skidmore College. Where the Sidewalk Ends (STSE) was formed in January 2016 with the mission to improve pedestrian safety and walkability in their neighborhood. They extend their appreciation to the Council for their support of this project. (e-mail attached)

Infinite Roofing of 63 Putnam Street stated she has contacted the mayor and numerous people regarding building permits. They have come up against a brick wall trying to obtain a building permit. The roofer is

being asked to sign a statement stating they have completed something before it actually has been in order to obtain a building permit.

Darlene McGraw of Saratoga Springs stated she spoke with numerous people regarding sidewalks and Geysers Road light. She asked the City Council to look into this. Also, National Grid keeps cutting the road and not paving it.

Kenneth Grey of Saratoga Springs stated he is representing himself and Complete Streets. He thanked the Council for looking at the Missing Links Project. It has proved to be a health and economic benefit.

Brad Heil of Saratoga Springs stated the sidewalk link project seems to be a good project. The land opposite his house is a cemetery and not in use. Cutting away property and trees is going to have an impact on his side of the street and wants to see if anything can be done to move the sidewalk to the side of the street where there really isn't any use.

Lexis Figueroa of Saratoga Springs stated we can't forget about social justice. He wants to make sure the Council is still on board with the review board. He is asking if they can do a mural for Black Lives Matters.

Christine Morgan of Saratoga Springs commended the sidewalk project. They are nine small families whose properties are small and wonder if it could be considered using the property across the street from her for the sidewalk.

David Washburn of Saratoga Springs stated he is in the stretch of sidewalk between Hyde Ave and West Avenue. This is a great idea and project.

Steve Godlewski of Saratoga Springs stated he is supportive of the sidewalk project. Sidewalks are not just about exercise, it's a way to get around.

Mayor Kelly closed the public comment period at 7:22 p.m.

Vincent DeLeonardis stated the alternate process mentioned by Infinite Roofing was put into place end of last year/early this year. A permit is required whether it's a new roof or a replacement.

Mayor Kelly stated Tina Carton and her team have done a great job with the missing links project. Anyone can contact Tina Carton with questions regarding this project.

PRESENTATION

Missing Sidewalks Link

Tina Carton, sustainability coordinator, introduced Dan Rourke of Barton and Loguidice.

Mr. Rourke provided an overview of the project and indicated there will be more meetings on this over the summer. The grant is through the Federal Highway Administration. They are working directly with the New York State Department of Transportation. The project originated through the Comprehensive Plan and the Complete Streets Plan. He provided statistics of pedestrian safety. The project objectives include elimination of gaps in the sidewalk network; provide safe, efficient, and accessible connections; and provide 1.8 miles of ADA compliant sidewalks. Locations include Seward Street, First Street, State Street, Third Street, East Avenue, Vanderbilt Avenue, W. Fenlon, Congress Avenue, and Grand Avenue. The design approval is expected to be completed by July 2021 with construction documents being completed January 2022 and construction will start in April 2022. The total cost of the project is \$1,900,000 with \$1,520,000 coming from the federal government and \$380,000 coming from the City of Saratoga Springs. (a copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes)

Commissioner Franck asked if they see expansion for sidewalks being included in the infrastructure stimulus package that is being talked about.

Mr. Rourke stated the early talks stated there will be an increase in the plan. Safety improvements in general have been gaining steam.

SiFi Networks Broadband – Benefits of City-wide Broadband

Commissioner Madigan stated Scott Bradshaw of SiFi Networks is here to give a high overview of the benefits of fiber to a city.

Mr. Bradshaw advised benefits include fast, affordable internet; smart city applications, increase in city revenue; improved healthcare and education services; economic development; and closing the digital divide. It will serve both residents and businesses.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

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Ayes – All

MAYOR'S DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Approval for Mayor to Sign MVP Employee Health Insurance Contracts (21-176)

Mayor Kelly advised these are the hospitalization contracts.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the MVP employee health insurance contracts.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Pitney Meadows Community Farm Facilities Use Agreement (21-177)

Mayor Kelly advised this agreement will allow runners to meet on the Pitney Farm property.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the Pitney Meadows Community Farm facilities use agreement.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign the 2021 School & Group Running Practice and Training Permit Application (21-178)

Mayor Kelly advised the Recreation Department runs a running program throughout the summer.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the 2021 school and group running practice and training permit application.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Co-sponsored Program Template (21-179)

Mayor Kelly advised this is to co-sponsor pickleball workshops. The City will receive 40% of the revenue.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve the agreement template for the co-sponsored program.

Ayes – All

Set Public Hearing: Authorization to Apply for New York State Community Development Block Grant CARES Act Fund for Small Business Grant Program (21-180)

Mayor Kelly set a public hearing for Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 6:55 p.m.

Appointments: Saratoga Springs Arts Commission

Mayor Kelly appointed Devra Cohen–Tigor, Belinda Colon, Peter Kodogiannis, and Aili Lopez to serve a one-year term from 5/18/2021 – 5/18/2022. Ian Berry and Sue Kessler were appointed to serve a two year term from 5/18/2021 – 5/18/2023.

Announcement: Mayor's Food Drive

Mayor Kelly announced a food drive for the Snack Pack Program will held at the Recreation Center on Monday, June 7, 2021 from 3 - 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday, June 8, 2021 from 9 a.m. – noon. Food will be placed in various schools.

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Appointment: Elaina Richardson to the Saratoga Springs Arts Commission

Commissioner Franck re-appointed Elaina Richardson to the Saratoga Springs Arts Commission. Her term will run from 5/18/2021 – 5/18/23.

Announcement: Grievance Day is May 25, 2021

Commissioner Franck announced grievance day is Tuesday, May 25th. Applications to grieve you assessment and information regarding how to grieve your assessment can be found on the City's webpage. Due to COVID, the public is prohibited from grieving their assessment in person. A box has been placed in the hallway accessible by the ramp door of City Hall for residents to drop off their grievance packets for review. If you have any additional questions, call the Assessment Office at 518-587-3550 ext. 2552.

Discussion and Vote: Settlement of Article 7 Case for Parcel ID: 165.10-2-2 (21-181)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded for the City Council to settle the Article 7 case for parcel # 165.10-2-2 for the years 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 as follows:

Parcel #	Original Assessment	Negotiated Assessed Value	Reduction Amount	Refund Amount
165.10-2-2				
2017	\$1,248,400	\$1,021,875	\$226,525	\$1,355.62
2018	\$1,248,400	\$948,750	\$299,650	\$1,800.72
2019	\$1,248,400	\$869,400	\$379,000	\$2,277.34
2020	\$1,248,400	\$855,600	\$392,800	\$2,502.69

The grand total 2020 refund for this parcel listed is \$7,936.37.

Ayes – All

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to add an item to my agenda regarding the Office of the State Comptroller’s review of the City’s 2021 adopted budget. (21-182)

Ayes – All

ANNOUNCEMENT: Office of the State Comptroller Review of the City’s 2021 Adopted Budget

Commissioner Franck advised the New York State’s Office of the State Comptroller recognized the pandemic has had various levels of impact on financial operations of local governments. Their office chose the City of Saratoga Springs’ 2021 adopted budget to be one of 20 adopted budgets they reviewed to provide an independent evaluation of certain aspects of the adopted budget. They were looking to assess if local officials adequately considered the impact of the pandemic on their financial operations while developing the 2021 fiscal year budgets. As the Council is well aware, Commissioner Madigan and the Council has been on top of our 2020 and 2021 budgets to be sure the pandemic was taken into consideration and appropriate steps were taken to keep the City running.

The report provides a summary of findings, their methodology or approach to the review, information on the City’s background, and recommendations. Overall, the Office of the State Comptroller found the City Council adequately assessed the impact of the pandemic on financial operations while developing estimates for significant expenditures in the 2021 adopted budget. The 2021 adopted budget does include estimated revenues for federal aid, state funding for AIM (Aid and Incentives for Municipalities) and VLT, which may not be realized. Commissioner Madigan regularly provides the Council and the community with updates regarding those revenues.

There were three recommendations made as follows:

1. The Council should amend the general fund budget for the federal aid revenue shortfall.
2. The Council should be prepared to amend the general fund budget in the event the revenue projections for AIM funding and VLT aid are not fully realized.
3. The Council should carefully monitor revenues and expenditures throughout the year and closely monitor ongoing discussions and legislative acts at both the State and Federal levels that could be beneficial or detrimental to the City’s financial operations.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Presentation: 1st Quarter 2021 Finance Report

Commissioner Madigan stated this report is made on a cash basis and no adjustments have been made for receivables or payables. As of 03/31/21, 61% of property tax has been collected or \$9,850,793. Last year at this time, 57% was collected. As of 03/31/21, the City has not received many of the larger revenue streams. Approximately 27% of revenues were actually received as of 03/31/21. In 2020, the adjusted approximate revenue collected was 26%. The first quarter water and sewer bills for 2021 are mailed in April for a May 15th due date. Many contributions to outside organizations and events have been paid in full as of 03/31/21. Liability insurance has been paid in full for the year. Additional expenses would be for claims or additional coverage. Discount on taxes is a final number. Most departments' expenses are running at about 25%, which is on target for 03/31/21 and is consistent with the first quarter of 2019. Variances are due to seasonal expenses and grants.

Update – City Finances

Commissioner Madigan advised she continues to meet with departments, which also helps to set priorities for the 2022 budget. We have received disbursements for VLT aid and Federal American Plan Rescue Funds so the cash flow is looking healthier for June. This June we owe the short-term tax anticipation note borrowed from the Adirondack Trust last year. A draft report was received regarding our bond rating and it appears we have retained our double A+ bonding rating and S&P has dropped the negative outlook.

Discussion and Vote: Revision to Resolution Re: Employees Who are Active Members of the United States Armed Forces (21-183)

Commissioner Madigan stated the recent PBA MOU will affect this resolution. This revision corrects the unintended disparity and brings the resolution in line with the MOU regarding the shift wage change.

The resolution reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, the City of Saratoga Springs (City) is committed to the support of its employees who are active members of the United States Armed forces (including the Army, Navy, Marine Corp., Air Force, Coast Guard, National Guard, and their respective reservists), and strives to alleviate hardships created by their dual roles of service to our City and our Country; and

WHEREAS, New York State Military Law, Article 11, Section 242 directs that City employees on ordered military duty shall be granted leave and shall be paid their salaries for up to thirty days (or twenty-two working days, if greater) per calendar year and fixes employment and retirement rights; and

WHEREAS, there may be occasions when City employees who are active members of the United States Armed Forces will be called to ordered military duty for time periods that extend beyond that covered by NYS Military Law, Article 11, Section 242; and

WHEREAS, the City has within its employ active members of the United States Armed Forces and anticipates having such employees in the future; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds it in the public interest to assure that ordered military duty does not impose economic hardship on City employees and their dependents; and

WHEREAS, this Council has previously authorized certain additional benefits for active military duty City employees,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that: 1. In the event that any full-time City employee assigned to an eight (8) hour shift who is an active member of the United States Armed Forces is called to ordered military duty for a time period that extends beyond that covered by NYS Military Law, Article 11, Section 242 (5), said employee shall be entitled to an additional eleven (11) working days, in addition to any other compensation or benefit established in NYS Military Law, Article 11; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that: 2. Covered City employees who are active members of the United States Armed forces, upon being called to ordered military duty other than training, shall be compensated by an amount equal to the difference between their respective gross regular City salary at the time of call and their gross military pay; and 3. Said compensation shall be made for a period not to exceed employees' period of ordered military duty; and 4. Said employees shall be entitled to proportionate FICA and retirement benefits; and 5. The City shall continue current medical insurance benefits, if provided at the time benefits under this resolution are activated, to said City employees with dependents, only; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that: 6. The City Council shall review the circumstances of every City employee who is an active member of the United States Armed Forces who is called to ordered military duty and is stationed in a combat zone as designated by a Presidential Executive Order to determine if additional compensation shall be awarded, in an amount not exceeding the employee's full regular gross City salary for a period of up to six consecutive months; and 7. This review may be initiated on the City Council agenda of any department. Should no department initiate the review, then it shall be on the Finance Department agenda; and 8. The City Council shall have authority to reconsider any determination made under paragraphs 5 and 6 above at any time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that: 9. Employees are required to submit reasonable notification to their Supervisor and the Payroll Department to be eligible for said benefits; and 10. The terms of this resolution shall be reviewed annually by the Finance Department.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve the revision to resolution regarding employees who are active members of the United States Armed Forces as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Master Subscription Agreement with Granicus, LLC for “Peak Agenda Management” (21-184)

Commissioner Madigan advised Granicus no longer supports the version of NOVUS the City is currently using. This agreement is for the ‘new’ version called Peak Agenda Management.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a master subscription agreement with Granicus, LLC for “Peak Agenda Management” as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Budget Amendments – Benefits (21-185)

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve budget amendments – benefits as included with the agenda.

Ayes - All

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Agreement with Greenridge Cemetery (21-186)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this is an annual agreement.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign agreement with Greenridge Cemetery in the amount of \$32,828.27.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Memorandum of Agreement with the Senior Citizen’s Center of Saratoga Springs (21-187)

Commissioner Scirocco advised the current lease with the Senior Center had an expiration date of 12/31/2020. The City and the Senior Center were negotiating a new lease when the opportunity presented itself for the Senior Center to relocate. This lease allows the Senior Center to continue to lease this facility from the City on a month to month basis under the same terms and conditions through 12/31/2021.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a memorandum of agreement with the Senior Citizen’s Center of Saratoga Springs.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Accept Donation from Lester and Claire Kipp for Memorial Bench in the Amount of \$1,500 (21-188)

Commissioner Scirocco advised the bench is to be placed in Congress Park.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Mayor Kelly seconded to accept a donation from Lester and Claire Kipp in the amount of \$1,500 for the purchase of a bench.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Accept Donation in Memory of Constance Lloyd for the City's Flower Beautification Program in the Total Amount of \$575.30 (21-189)

Commissioner Scirocco advised Constance passed away in October 2020. In lieu of flowers, the family asked for donations to be made to the City's flower beautification program.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to accept a donation in memory of Constance Lloyd for the City's flower beautification program in the total amount of \$575.30.

Ayes – All

Announcement: 2019 – 2020 Annual Report

Commissioner Scirocco announced the pandemic created a great challenge to the Department of Public Works. They continued to perform their duties and provided services the community has become accustomed to. They implemented successful paving, snow removal, beautification and maintenance for the City. The Canfield Casino parlor restoration was completed and City business was relocated back to City Hall. They take pride in working for the public.

Set Public Hearing: Public Hearing for Capital Budget Amendment for City Buildings

Commissioner Scirocco set a public hearing for Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 6:55 p.m.

Appointment: Lisa Kolosek to the Saratoga Springs Arts Commission

Commissioner Scirocco re-appointed Lisa Kolosek to the Saratoga Springs Arts Commission. Her term will run from 5/18/21 – 5/18/22.

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Accept Donation for the Mounted Unit (21-190)

Commissioner Dalton advised the donation is in the amount of \$25 from DAR.

Commissioner Dalton moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to accept this donation.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contracts with Saratoga County for STOP DWI and STOP DWI Crackdown Funding (21-191)

Commissioner Dalton advised these are annual contracts with the County.

Commissioner Dalton moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign contracts with Saratoga County for STOP DWI and STOP DWI crackdown funding.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contract with Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker, Firth (21-192)

Commissioner Dalton advised this contract will not exceed \$10,000 and is for legal services relating to public safety.

Commissioner Dalton moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a contract with Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker, Firth.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization to Pay Invoice to Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker, Firth (21-193)

Commissioner Dalton advised this invoice is for Council approval due to no money being left on a previous purchase order.

Commissioner Dalton moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the payment of invoice to Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker, Firth in the amount of \$2,204.

Ayes – All

Appointment: Matt Hurff to the Saratoga Springs Arts Commission

Commissioner Dalton appointed Matt Hurff to the Saratoga Springs Arts Commission. His term will run 5/18/2021 – 5/18/2023.

SUPERVISORS

Matt Veitch

County Board Meeting Room Technology Upgrades

Supervisor Veitch reported they hired a firm to work on new technology in the board room including presentation screens, audio/visual, etc.

Saratoga County Director of Public Relations

Supervisor Veitch reported this new position was approved today.

Approval of the Sale of 31 Woodlawn Avenue Building

Supervisor Veitch reported they approved the sale of the 312 Woodlawn Avenue building to the Adirondack Trust Company.

Saratoga County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Veitch reported the clerk of the board of supervisors announced her retirement. She was with the County for 33 years. Therese Connelly was appointed as the new clerk of the board of supervisors.

Brook Road Bridget Closure

Supervisor Veitch reported Brook Road is closed for bridge work through September 3, 2021.

Tara Gaston

COVID-19 Update

Supervisor Gaston reported the numbers continue to improve with the 7 day rolling positivity of 1.3% with 9 hospitalizations. Fifty percent of the County population has completed the vaccine series and 60% has completed at least one dose of the vaccine. The governor issued new guidance for masks and social distancing.

Public Health Department Expansion

Supervisor Gaston reported the Board authorized \$200,000 to help assist with legal contracts.

County Resilience Committee

Supervisor Gaston reported any individual interested can e-mail committee@saratogaresilience.com. The website will be up shortly.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Kelly adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Ribis
Clerk

Approved: 6-1-2021
Vote: 5 - 0