



September 17, 2019

CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS
City Council Meeting
Recreation Center
15 Vanderbilt Avenue
7:00 PM

6:50 p.m. – P.H. – Chapter 225 – One-Way
Street – Regent Street and
Marion Place
P.H. – City Center Parking
Facility Lease
P.H. – Liberty Affordable
Housing

7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD / 15 MINUTES

PRESENTATIONS

1. Lake Avenue Bicycle Lane Design Overview

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SUPERVISORS

Matt Veitch

1. Nothing at this time.

Tara Gaston

1. Nothing at this time.

ADJOURN



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

STAFF PRESENT: Lisa Shields, Deputy Mayor
Mike Sharp, Deputy Commissioner, Finance
Maire Masterson, Deputy Commissioner, Accounts
Joe O'Neill, Deputy Commissioner, DPW
John Daley, Deputy Commissioner, DPS

Vincent DeLeonardis

EXCUSED: 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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Chapter 225 – One-Way Street – Regent Street and Marion Place

Mayor Kelly opened the public hearing at 6:51 p.m.

Commissioner Martin stated the previous public hearings on this topic successfully generated many comments. As a result, a different solution that what was proposed is necessary. They are closing this public hearing.

Mayor Kelly closed the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

City Center Parking Facility Lease

Mayor Kelly opened the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Colin Klepetar of Saratoga Springs stated his comments today are his personal comments and not of those he serves with on various Committees. The City Center is an economic engine for our town; however, he advocates for a better use of the High Rock Lot. The use for parking is the worst use. He is disappointed that there was no public input regarding the design of the parking garage. He believes the community deserves to have a public discussion about this design. He hopes the Council understands if they approve this lease, they have taken away the voice of the public.

Otis Maxwell of Saratoga Springs asked why the same City Council is about to approve groundbreaking on the single use parking garage when Sustainable Saratoga has made many useful requests. He asked the Council to reconsider.

Art Homburg of Saratoga Springs stated he is representing Sustainable Saratoga tonight. They never opposed the concept of a City Center parking building. They have pointed out from the beginning the lack of compliance with the City's planning and urban design guidelines.

Jeannette Kado-Marino of Saratoga Springs stated here we go again with the parking garage and the lease. She asked the Council to involve the community and ask what they want. She asked the Council to vote no.

Matt Jones of Saratoga Springs is appearing as a resident and past member of the City Center Authority. He hopes the vote will be successful tonight. He commended the mayor on her ability to get as far as she has with this project as 8 previous mayors have not been able to get this far.

Theresa Moore, a client of the City Center, stated they bring over 1,000 people to the City every September and utilize six different hotels. Everyone loves it here because the walkability and the restaurants. Many come in their own vehicles and love that ability.

Carmine DeCrescente of Ballston Spa stated his family has been doing business in the City since 1980's. His company has had a holiday party every year at the City Center and can't guarantee their employees parking for the event. This garage is needed even for locals and will help Saratoga to continue to flourish.

Jackie Grande of Saratoga Springs stated she has been a client of the City Center for the past couple years. In order for her forum to be successful, they need to be able to have foot-traffic as well as parking. The parking garage is critical. She asked the Council to support the garage.

Charlie Samuels of Saratoga Springs stated parking garages are an old idea. He feels we can do a better job and increase the City's lifestyle in that area.

Susan Baker, director of sales for the City Center stated she has an interest to see the parking garage built. She has a contract on her desk that can't be signed until they are guaranteed there will be a parking garage. They have 80 spaces for a convention center that can hold 800 – 1,000 people.

Mayor Kelly closed the public hearing at 7:18 p.m.

Liberty Affordable Housing

Mayor Kelly opened the public hearing at 7:18 p.m.

No one spoke.

Mayor Kelly concluded the public hearing at 7:18 p.m. and left it open.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:18 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 7:19 p.m.

Ken Gray of Saratoga Springs is also a member of the Complete Streets Advisory Board. He provided some history on the Complete Streets. He hopes to have a positive outcome tonight.

Joanna Garrison of Saratoga Springs stated she is in favor of the Lake Avenue bike lanes. More children would be able to bike to schools downtown.

Douglas Meyer of Saratoga Springs stated he has been chairing the Greenbelt Trail Committee. Lake Avenue is a key connector on that plan. The City should look to the national standards and stop inventing these one at a time.

Sam Brewer of Saratoga Springs read a couple passages to the Council that he felt were appropriate.

Charlie Samuels of Saratoga Springs stated he voluntarily served on the Complete Streets Board for a couple years. Bike lanes are being installed all over as they are good for municipalities. We need to make the East Side Recreation area calmer especially during a game.

Art Holmberg of Saratoga Springs stated the traffic on Lake Avenue is awful and vehicles don't respect the bikers or pedestrians.

Rob Wright of Saratoga Springs stated growing respect of alternative modes of transportation makes cities better. Lake Avenue is a perfect place to bring in bike lanes.

Harry Moran of Saratoga Springs stated he is a frequent cyclist on Lake Avenue. This supports the 2015 Comprehensive Plan.

Jeannette Kado-Marino of Saratoga Springs stated she wants to be sure this is safe for pedestrians as well as bicyclists.

Andrew of Saratoga Springs stated the Lake Avenue bike plan is a great idea. We have a vibrant community and is encouraged to use his bike to get downtown.

Alex Basso of Saratoga Springs stated she does a lot of cycling and running in the City. Lake Avenue bike lanes would be a benefit for her.

Colin Klepetar of Saratoga Springs stated he is in support of the Lake Avenue bike lanes. If we can make it safer to rent a bike to get to different places that would be great.

Emma Hanson of Saratoga Springs stated the children are excited to ride their bikes to school. She is in support of this.

Mayor Kelly closed the public comment period at 7:42 p.m.

Commissioner Martin thanked everyone who came out to comment on the Lake Avenue bike lanes.

PRESENTATION

Lake Avenue Bicycle Lane Design Overview

Commissioner Martin introduced Lisa Wallin of MJ Engineering. MJ Engineering has designed the bike lanes on Lake Avenue.

Lisa Wallin advised they identified the need to enhance the mobility and connectivity within the City for bicyclists. These lanes will start at Regent Street and move east to Wedgewood Drive. They are proposing parking lanes on the outside of Lake Avenue then the bike lane with two travel lanes in the middle of the road. Implementation of the bike lanes includes the removal of existing striping that conflicts with the proposed layout and then install new striping. The new striping will be done by the City. They will also install bike lanes from East Avenue to Excelsior Spring Avenue (pinch point) with travel lanes; there will not be any parking. Excelsior Spring Avenue to Wedgewood Drive will have a shoulder and travel lanes; again no parking. New signage will be installed to make vehicular travelers aware of the beginning and ending of the bike lane.

Mayor Kelly asked if the center lane in front of Lake Avenue School going to be removed.

Lisa Wallin advised it is being removed.

Mayor Kelly asked if they considered one bike lane with opposite directions.

Lisa Wallin advised they looked into it but bicycles on the road are considered a vehicle and should drive with traffic.

Mayor Kelly asked if they know the number of parking spaces that will be removed.

Lisa Wallin advised they are looking at approximately 20 spaces east of Richie Place.

Commissioner Scirocco asked why turn lanes were put in to begin with.

Commissioner Martin stated the turn lanes were put in as a traffic calming measure. The bike lanes will also be traffic calming.

Commissioner Franck stated this is where the bikes are. The bike lanes on North Broadway are a huge success. The pedestrians are safer as the bikes won't be on the sidewalk. Let's get it done.

Commissioner Madigan stated she hopes there is something that can be done to alleviate the pinch point area.

Commissioner Martin stated DOT will not consider connecting until we build the Lake Avenue bike lanes.

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: Authorization for Recreation Department to Utilize the Saratoga Springs School District's Facilitron's Scheduling System (19-419)

Mayor Kelly advised this will require an agreement to their terms and conditions. The Recreation Department will use this system to schedule upcoming recreation programs.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to authorize the Recreation Department to utilize the Saratoga Springs School District's Facilitron's Scheduling System as described with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign NYS DOH Renewal (19-420)

Mayor Kelly advised this is for the permit to operate.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Martin seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the NYS DOH renewal as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Resolution to Approve the City Center Parking Garage Plan as Authorized and the City Center Parking Garage Ground Lease Agreement and Easement (19-421)

Vince DeLeonardis, city attorney, stated the City and the Authority are to work together to ensure there is adequate parking to enable the City Center to attract meetings, weddings, and conventions. The resolution authorizes the plan and the lease agreement. The lease agreement runs for at least 12 years.

The resolution is as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS
APPROVING PARKING FACILITY AND AUTHORIZING LEASE WITH CITY CENTER AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the City of Saratoga Springs has long resolved that the fiscal viability and operation of the City Center by the City Center Authority ("Authority") is to the benefit of all of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City's Comprehensive Plan, as adopted by the City Council on June 16, 2015, calls for collaboration between the City and the Authority and to "ensure there is adequate parking to enable the City Center to continue to attract meetings, weddings and conventions to our downtown"; and

WHEREAS, the City is the owner in fee of a 2.6 acre parcel of land situated behind City Hall and adjacent to the City Center; and
WHEREAS, a Concept Plan developed by a Committee established by the Mayor was presented to the City Council and the public at a meeting on July 17, 2018 and which incorporated four components for the development of the 2.6 acre parcel including (1) the establishment of a public park; (2) the inclusion of the Greenbelt trail, Downtown Connector; (3) the development of a parking facility; and (4) the retention of outparcels for future development; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution dated November 20, 2018, the City Council resolved to proceed with the development of the parcel as identified in the Concept Plan in two phases, with Phase I including the design and development of the parking facility and Greenbelt Trail, Downtown Connector; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further resolved to collaborate with the City Center Authority relative to Phase I and authorized the Authority to proceed with design proposals for the parking facility and to present such proposals to the City Council and the public for consideration and review; and

WHEREAS, proposals for the parking facility were discussed and presented by the City Center Authority at public meetings before the City Council on January 15, 2019 and February 5, 2019 and before a joint meeting of the Design Review Commission and Planning Board on March 21, 2019; and

WHEREAS, following input from the public, City Council, and the City's land use boards, the City Center Authority further developed proposals which were again presented to the public and the City Council at a meeting on August 6, 2019, to the Design Review Commission on August 7, 2019 and to the Planning Board on August 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Center Authority has obtained authority from its Board of Directors, secured financing, and stands ready to construct the proposed parking facility, to work collaboratively with the City in developing Phase I, including construction of the

Greenbelt Trail, Downtown Connector, and desires to lease a portion of the 2.6 acre parcel to allow for such construction and development; and
WHEREAS, the lease of real property, including a portion of the 2.6 acre parcel, owned by the City to the City Center Authority is allowed generally under the City Charter and more specifically under New York Public Authorities Law § 2490-e.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, the City Council hereby approves the plans for the proposed parking facility as presented to the Council and submitted to the Building Department; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council, in accordance with the City Charter and § 2490-e of the New York Public Authorities Law, hereby authorizes a lease agreement to be negotiated and entered into between the City and the City Center Authority, including an air rights easement, the terms and conditions of which shall be subject to review and City Council approval.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the resolution for the City Center Parking Garage Plan as authorized and the City Center Parking Garage Ground Lease Agreement and Easement as included with the agenda.

Commissioner Martin reminded the public the floors are being made flat to allow for retail space or office space.

Commissioner Madigan congratulated the mayor on getting this to move forward.

Commissioner Scirocco thanked the mayor for getting this done.

Commissioner Franck stated we've seen 11 presentations and this proposal has addressed the needs.

Mayor Kelly thanked the Council for helping to keep this moving forward. She also thanked the City Center Authority and the Ryan McMahon.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign City Center Parking Facility Lease (19-422)

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the City Center Parking Facility Lease as included with this agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Updated 2019 Healthcare Rate Quotes and Commission Exception Form with MVP Health Care (19-423)

Mayor Kelly advised health care administration has been moved from the Finance Department to the Mayor's Department – Human Resources. There are three documents with the agenda; one brokerage commission fee form and two rate quotes. Amsure will not be charging the City a 2019 brokerage fee. The 2019 rate quotes have been adjusted to remove the commission included by error.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the updated 2019 healthcare rate quotes and commission exception form with MVP Health Care as included with this agenda.

Commissioner Madigan advised this means the City saved \$360,000 in healthcare for 2019.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Firefighters Union Contract 2019 – 2023 (19-424)

Vince DeLeonardis, city attorney, advised this is for a 5-year term retroactive to 1/1/19. This contract includes salary provisions of 2% per year also retroactive to 1/1/19; increases to EMT stipends retroactive to 1/1/19; changes to light duty provisions; 15% contribution to health care with a cap of \$2,500; among other things.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the firefighters' union contract for 2019 – 2023 as included with this agenda.

Commissioner Madigan advised the total 2019 impact will be \$104,000.

Ayes - All

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Approval of Renewal Order with Velocity EHS for MSDSonline (19-425)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Martin seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the renewal order with Velocity EHS for three additional years as attached to the agenda.

Ayes – All

Award of Bid: Fire Suppression Services to SRI Fire Sprinkler, LLC (19-426)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to award the bid for Fire Suppression Services to SRI Fire Sprinkler, LLC for the hourly rates as submitted with their bid.

Ayes – All

Award of Bid: Hazardous Materials Testing & Monitoring Services to ATC Group Services, LLC (19-427)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to award the bid for Hazardous Materials Testing & Monitoring to ATC Group Services, LLC for the hourly rates as submitted with their bid.

Ayes – All

Award of Bid: Traffic Signal Equipment to Northeast Signal, Inc. (19-428)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Martin seconded to award the bid for Traffic Signal Equipment to Northeast Signal, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$18,788.

Ayes - All

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Announcement: 2020 Budget Update: Comprehensive Budget Presentation on 10/1

Commissioner Madigan advised they have met with all departments and will be ready to present the 2020 Comprehensive Budget at the October 1 City Council meeting. Her goal is to maintain a stable City tax rate.

Discussion and Vote: Budget Amendment – City Center Use of Fund Balance (19-429)

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to approve the budget amendment – City Center use of fund balance as previously distributed with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfer – Payroll and Benefits (19-430)

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to approve the budget transfer – payroll and benefits as previously distributed with the agenda.

Ayes - All

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Resolution – DOT Ballston Avenue (19-431)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this resolution is required to increase the grant funding in the amount of \$108,057. This is supplemental agreement #4. A copy of the resolution is attached to the agenda.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the NYS DOT resolution as presented to the Council for the Ballston Avenue Traffic Improvement Project in the amount of \$108,057.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Supplemental Agreement #4 with DOT Ballston Avenue (19-432)

Commissioner Scirocco stated this required to authorize the City of Saratoga Springs to allocate construction funds to complete the project. This supplemental agreement will increase funds by \$108,057.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign supplemental agreement #4 with NYS DOT for the Ballston Avenue Improvement Project in the amount of \$108,057.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Addendum One for City Designated Engineering (19-433)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this addendum is a supplement to the original September 19, 2017 agreement to extend the term to November 18, 2019. This is for designated engineers currently working on active projects – Chazen Engineering, Greenman Pederson, Barton & Loguidice, and Ryan Biggs.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign addendum one for the City designated engineer services.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contract with Dente Group for Special Inspection Services at City Hall (19-434)

Commissioner Scirocco advised the scope of the work includes soil testing for the new elevator foundation. There will also be structural observation.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a contract with Dente Group for special inspection and material testing services at City Hall not to exceed unit bid price per proposal August 26, 2019.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Change Order #7 with Aktor Corporation for Asbestos Abatement in City Hall (19-435)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this is for additional asbestos abatement associated with the finance space and the Police Department janitor closet.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign change order #7 with Aktor Corporation in the amount of \$15,112 for additional asbestos abatement in City Hall.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Change Order #1 with MLB Construction Services for General Construction for City Hall Building Renovations (19-436)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this change order is for unforeseen conditions and clarifications from the architect.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign change order #1 with MLB Construction Services for general construction for City Hall building renovations in the amount of \$18,339.41.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Utility Easement (19-437)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this easement includes 115 and 115B York Avenue.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a utility easement to include both 115 and 115B York Avenue.

Ayes – All

Announcement: Update on City Hall Renovation Project

Commissioner Scirocco announced the City Hall Renovation Project continues to progress and shows promise of meeting the two completion deadlines. The City operation will be able to move back into City Hall by the end of this year with the entire building being completed by March.

Announcement: Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event October 26, 2019

Commissioner Scirocco announced the next household hazardous waste collection will be held on October 26, 2019 at the Weibel Avenue ice rink from 8 a.m. – noon. This is for City residents only and pre-registration is a must.

Announcement: Saratoga County Resident Tire Recycling Program

Commissioner Scirocco announced the County will be holding a tire-recycling day for County residents only on October 29, 2019 from 4 – 6 p.m. behind the Malta Town Court Office. Residents must provide proof of residency and pre-register.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Martin seconded to add an item to his agenda regarding discussion of water connection comptroller response. (19-438)

Ayes – All

Discussion: Water Connection Comptroller Response

Commissioner Scirocco advised the 5-year investigation into water connection fees is completed. Last week a representative of the Comptroller returned all files relating to the investigation over to the city attorney. They reported the matter has been concluded without report. The investigation into the handling of the waivers and ultimately the elimination of water connection fees in 2014 has been used as a political hot topic for a number of years. Investigation without a report vindicates the action the Council took in 2014 to eliminate a bad policy for residents. The fees were determined illegal and unconstitutional by courts.

Commissioner Madigan stated twice the City was sued and it was found illegal and unconstitutional and yet nothing was done about water connection fees. Both the water and sewer funds have never been healthier than they have been under Commissioner Scirocco's administration. The Finance Department also did an investigation and they too had no findings.

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Accept Donation to Saratoga Springs Mounted Patrol (19-439)

Commissioner Martin advised Classic Legacy Thoroughbred Aftercare is donating \$10,000 to the Saratoga Springs Police Mounted Patrol.

Commissioner Martin moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to accept the donation of \$10,000 to the Saratoga Springs Mounted Patrol from the Classic Legacy Thoroughbred Aftercare.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Change Order Decrease for Fire House Doors (19-440)

Commissioner Martin advised this change order relates to Station 1 and is a decrease of \$4,364.

Commissioner Martin moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign change order #1 with Mesick, Cohen, Wilson, Baker Architects, LLP in the amount of a \$4,364 reduction in the original contract price.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign a Contract with Northeast Signal (19-441)

Commissioner Martin moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a contract with Northeast Signal in the amount of \$18,778.

Ayes – All

Discussion and vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign a Contract with Walsh Water Blasting (19-442)

Commissioner Martin advised this contract is to remove striping on Lake Avenue between Regent Street and Excelsior Springs Avenue. The amount of the contract is \$23,493.20

Commissioner Martin moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a contract with Walsh Water Blasting, LLC in the amount of \$23,493.20.

Mayor Kelly stated she feels it is premature to remove the striping before the bike lanes are created. The Complete Streets Committee has not been informed or seen these plans; the superintendent of schools has

not spoken about these plans in over a year. Also, she just received the answer to her question from three weeks ago tonight about the number of parking spaces that will be lost.

Commissioner Scirocco stated he agrees with Mayor Kelly. He asked to meet with MJ Engineering and never was given the opportunity. He is concerned with where people are going to put their leaf debris. He is not supporting the removal of the striping at this time.

Commissioner Madigan stated her appointees to the Complete Streets voiced frustration to her upon the end of their terms that the City has not moved along further with Complete Streets. She is concerned about the pinch point and

Ayes – 3

Nays – 2 (Mayor Kelly and Commissioner Scirocco)

Announcement: Thanking the Mayor's Department, the Department of Public Works, and the Traffic Safety Department for Henry Street Pilot Project

Commissioner Martin thanked the Mayor's Department, the Department of Public Works, and the Traffic Safety Department for making the Henry Street Pilot Project a reality.

SUPERVISORS

No reports.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Kelly adjourned the meeting at 9:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Ribis
Clerk

Approved:
Vote: