



June 16, 2020

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

- 6:55 p.m. – P.H. - 2020 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan
- P.H. - 2020 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan Priorities
 - P.H. – 2020 Community Development Block Grant Substantial Amendment (CARES Act Funding)
 - P.H. – Amend Chapter 136 – Temporary Seating

7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO FLAG

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD / 15 MINUTES

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval Budget Amendments - Insurance
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3. Approve Budget Amendments – Regular (Increases)
4. Budget Transfers – Capital (Proj. #1141)
5. Budget Amendments – Regular
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7. Approve Payroll 6/12/20 \$455,915.74
8. Approve Warrant – 2020 20MWJUN1 \$730,959.39
9. Approve Warrant – 2020 20JUN2 \$5,047,330.63

MAYOR'S DEPARTMENT

1. Announcement: Census Update
2. Announcement: Summer Camps and Recreation Programming
3. Announcement: Draft Natural Resource Inventory Available for Review
4. Announcement: Submit Application for the CDTC 2020 ADA Municipal Self-Analysis and Transition Plan for Pedestrian Infrastructure Grant
5. Discussion and Vote: Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2020 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan Priority Recommendations

6. Discussion and Vote: Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2020 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan Recommendations
7. Discussion and Vote: Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2019 Community Development Block Grant Substantial Amendment Recommendations (CDBG-CV CARES Act Funding)
8. Discussion and Vote: Coordination of SEQRA Review and Request to Act as Lead Agency for the Saratoga Missing Links Sidewalk Project
9. Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign and Pay Form 720 for the Patient – Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Tax in the Amount of \$553.70

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

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2. Discussion and Vote: Approval of municipality Application to Temporarily Extend Licensed Premises to a Municipal Street, Sidewalk, or Other Outdoor Area
3. Discussion and Vote: Approval of NYS Business RE-Opening Safety Plan for the City of Saratoga Springs
4. Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Agreement with Granicus for NOVUS Maintenance
5. Award of Bid: Extension of Chemical Bids to Faesy & Besthoff, Amrex Chemical, Surpass Chemical, and Holland Co.
6. Discussion and Vote: Settlement of Article 7 Case for Parcel ID: 178.35-1-14
7. Discussion and Vote: Settlement of Article 7 Case for Parcel ID: 179.-4-17

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

1. Update: Finance Department – COVID-19 and City Finances
2. Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Addendum One to Bolton St. Johns Agreement for Governmental Relations
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4. Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfers - Payroll

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PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

1. Announcement: Virus Update – Phase 3 Re-opening
2. Announcement: RFP for Design Services for Fire/EMS Station 3
3. Announcement: Community Outreach

SUPERVISORS

Matt Veitch

1. Re-Opening Committee Update
2. Buildings & Grounds Committee Update

Tara Gaston

1. COVID-19 Update
2. Re-opening Update
3. Public Forum

ADJOURN



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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
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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Amend Chapter 136 – Temporary Seating

Mayor Kelly opened the public hearing at 6:55 p.m.

Commissioner Franck stated that due to COVID-19, we would like to help our local eating and drinking establishments to start opening up by providing them with temporary outdoor seating. The amendment to Chapter 136 will allow for an application permit for temporary outdoor seating area for table and chairs including but not limited to sidewalks. A copy of the latest proposed version of the amendment was provided to each Council member prior to this meeting. For the public's information, the latest version includes two friendly amendments: consistent use of the term temporary outdoor seating throughout the document and the addition of "Department of Public Works Business Manager" as one of the four officials who has authority to establish areas of public property that can be used.

The establishment Pint Sized stated it is crucial to be creative at this time.

Nancy Bambara thanked Commissioner Franck for bringing this forward. She encouraged the Council to consider approving this. It is important to allow all of our restaurants to re-open and have a little more space to entertain our guests.

Erin Maciel spoke on behalf of the Complete Streets Advisory Board stated they encourage flexible street design for the recovery during the pandemic. It is great everyone is going downtown but we also need social distancing. She asked the deadline to be moved out to October.

Commissioner Franck advised the Accounts Department doesn't license retail stores that is why this deals with eating and drinking only. There is a sunset clause in the code but the city attorneys put together a simple resolution to extend the date at any time. If this is successful, we will do the resolution.

Commissioner Dalton advised the State Liquor Authority only allows the outside expanded drinking area through July 6, 2020 at this time.

Catherine Hover stated it has been a struggle. It is time for everyone to take action and think creatively. We should be able to take advantage of the outdoor environment until the first snowfall. She encouraged the Council to take action.

Darlene McGraw of Saratoga Springs suggested defining no music.

Commissioner Franck advised the cabaret license allows the bars and restaurants to have music. That does not fall under this.

Mayor Kelly closed the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

[2020Community Development Block Grant Substantial Amendment \(CARES Act Funding\); 2020 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan Priorities; and 2020 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan](#)

Mayor Kelly opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

No one spoke.

Mayor Kelly closed the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Kelly opened the public comment period at 7:16 p.m.

Mayor Kelly said the public has been commenting via email. This is our last Zoom meeting so the public will be able to comment in person starting the first meeting in July.

No comments.

Mayor Kelly closed the public comment period at 7:16 p.m.

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

Announcement: Census Update

Mayor Kelly announced the response rate is about 60%. We need people to sign on and take the census.

Announcement: Summer Camps and Recreation Programming

Mayor Kelly announced the City is offering a modified summer program. Camp Saradac will be taking kids from ages 5 – 12. The program will run from July 13th – August 14th.

Announcement: Draft Natural Resource Inventory Available for Review

Mayor Kelly announced the draft natural resource inventory is ready for public review and comment. The information is on the City’s website on the Open Space Advisory Committee page. City staff, Open Space Advisory Committee and LaBella Associates have spent the last 22 months working on this report. Public comment should be sent via e-mail to Tina Carton.

Announcement: Submit Application for the CDTC 2020 ADA Municipal Self-Analysis and Transition Plan for Pedestrian Infrastructure Grant

Mayor Kelly announced the City adopted the ADA Transition Plan in December 2017. This grant opportunity from CDTC allows the City to implement this plan.

Discussion and Vote: Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2020 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan Priority Recommendations (20- 274)

Mayor Kelly advised this item and the next two on her agenda were presented by Rich Ferguson at the last City Council meeting.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2019 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan Priority recommendations as included with this agenda.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2020 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan Recommendations (20- 275)

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2019 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan recommendations as included with this agenda.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2019 Community Development Block Grant Substantial Amendment Recommendations (CDBG-CV CARES Act Funding) (20-276)

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to approve the Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee 2019 Community Development Block Grant substantial amendment recommendations, CDBG-CV CARES Act funding as included with this agenda.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Coordination of SEQRA Review and Request to Act as Lead Agency for the Saratoga Missing Links Sidewalk Project (20-277)

Mayor Kelly advised the City is proposing to construct missing sidewalk sections in the City right-of-way to make connections within existing sidewalks throughout the City. The City has identified this as a SEQRA unlisted action and is the intent of the City to assume the role of lead agency for the purpose of conducting SEQRA evaluation and determination of proposed action.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the City of Saratoga Springs to assume SEQRA lead agency for the Saratoga Missing Links Sidewalk Project as included with this agenda.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign and Pay Form 720 for the Patient – Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Tax in the Amount of \$553.70 (20-278)

Mayor Kelly advised this fee is imposed by the Affordable Care Act on insurance and plan sponsors for certain individuals and groups health plans. The fee is determine based upon the number of covered lives. The cost is \$2.45 per participant.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign and pay Form 720 for the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute Tax in the amount of \$553.70.

Ayes – All

Lindsay Connors of the Planning Department advised the motions for item number 6. The year should be 2020 for both items.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee 2020 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan recommendations as included with this agenda. (20-279)

Ayes - All

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Amendment to Chapter 136 Temporary Seating Area (20-280)

Commissioner Franck advised a public hearing was held earlier this evening on this item. He advised that in late April of this year, the Accounts Department, under my directive, had Marilyn Rivers conduct a great deal of research with regard to the use of public spaces for extended seating area for our community businesses. The City's Complete Streets Programming and the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) have been taken into consideration in the drafting of the amendment to Chapter 136.

The following public entities have utilized NACTO principles in opening public space for COVID-19 dining initiatives: Ithaca, NY; Manchester, NH; Ballston Spa, NY; Cincinnati, OH; Watervliet, NY; Santa Cruz, CA; Clifton Park, NY; Scottsdale, AZ; Alexandria, VA; Milwaukee, WI; Tampa, FL; Washington, DC; Portland, ME; New London, CT; Baltimore, MD; Chicago, IL; and Savannah, GA.

Highlights of Chapter 136 Article IV-A are: 1. this is a temporary outdoor seating area permit; 2. all permits issued under the Article shall expire at midnight on September 7, 2020 (a sunset clause), except such date may be extended from time to time by resolution of the City Council; and 3. in order to fast track the permits and allow the most affected departments authority on the Temporary Permit; the ordinance designates four individuals who together shall have authority to establish areas of public property for temporary outdoor seating. These individuals are the Battalion Chief of the Fire Department, the Director of Risk and Safety, the City Attorney, and the Department of Public Works Business Manager.

COVID-19 has been devastating for all of us; this amendment allows our local eating and drinking establishments to use our existing public assets creatively and safely in keeping with the NYS Government changing mandates.

Commissioner Franck thanked the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Public Works, the Mayor's office and the City Attorney's office for all of their input and assistance; in particular, I would like to thank Tony Izzo, Vince DeLeonardis, Battalion Chief Dyer, Lisa Shields, Mike Veitch, and Maire Masterson for their assistance. Most importantly, he thanked Marilyn Rivers, Ryan McMahon, Darryl Leggeri, and Todd Schimkus for all their efforts in bringing this amendment to where it is today.

Commissioner Franck moved and Mayor Kelly seconded to approve the amendment to Chapter 136 as distributed to the Council with the friendly amendments as described during this evening's Public Hearing.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Approval of municipality Application to Temporarily Extend Licensed Premises to a Municipal Street, Sidewalk, or Other Outdoor Area (20-281)

Commissioner Franck advised the City of Saratoga Springs is required to complete a Municipality Application to Temporarily Extend Licensed Premises to a Municipal Street, Sidewalk, or Other Outdoor Area for each restaurant who wishes to place temporary tables and chairs on a sidewalk. To help speed up this process, he asked the City Council to give him the authority to sign and file this application.

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded for the City Council to authorize the Commissioner of Accounts to sign as Municipal Representative and file, the Municipality Application to Temporarily Extend Licensed Premises to a Municipal Street, Sidewalk, or Other Outdoor Area for each restaurant who wishes to place temporary tables and chairs on a sidewalk.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Approval of NYS Business RE-Opening Safety Plan for the City of Saratoga Springs (20-282)

The NYS DOH "NY Forward Safety Plan" for the City of Saratoga Springs" has been reviewed and approved by the City Safety Committee, City Attorney and the City's Labor Counsel for presentation to you for discussion and vote. Materials have been ordered and are in place for the City's re-opening when it occurs. Materials include hand sanitizer, signage, floor distancing circles, visitor logs, and facemasks.

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded for the City Council to approve the NYS Business Re-Opening Safety Plan for the City of Saratoga Springs as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Agreement with Granicus for NOVUS Maintenance (20-283)

Commissioner Franck advised that Granicus is the company who provides NOVUS maintenance. The attached agreement will provide for Granicus to continue NOVUS maintenance on an annual basis.

Commissioner Franck moved and Mayor Kelly seconded for the City Council to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement with Granicus as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Award of Bid: Extension of Chemical Bids to Faesy & Besthoff, Amrex Chemical, Surpass Chemical, and Holland Co. (20-284)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to extend the bid for chemicals to Faesy & Besthoff for copper sulfate, to Amrex Chemical for hydrofluosilicic acid and sodiumsilico fluoride, to Surpass Chemical for orthophosphate, and to Holland Co. for polyaluminum chloride according to the terms, conditions, and prices quoted in bid 2019-24.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Settlement of Article 7 Case for Parcel ID: 178.35-1-14 (20-285)

This is one of the items discussed during executive session held yesterday during the pre-agenda meeting.

Commissioner Franck moved and Mayor Kelly seconded for the City Council to settle the Article 7 case for parcel # 178.35-1-14 for the year 2019 as follows:

Parcel #	Original Assessment	Negotiated Assessed Value	Reduction Amount	Refund Amt.
178.35-1-14				
2019	\$8,864,000	\$6,142,500	\$2,721,500	\$0

The grand total 2020 refunds for this parcel listed is \$0.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Settlement of Article 7 Case for Parcel ID: 179.-4-17 (20-286)

This is one of the items also discussed during executive session held yesterday during the pre-agenda meeting.

Commissioner Franck moved and Mayor Kelly seconded for the City Council to settle the Article 7 case for parcel # 179.-4-17 for the years 2018 & 2019 as follows:

Parcel #	Original Assessment	Negotiated Assessed Value	Reduction Amount	Refund Amt.
179.-4-17				
2018	\$968,000	\$671,025	\$296,975	\$1,785
2019	\$968,000	\$612,675	\$355,325	\$0

The grand total of refunds for this parcel listed is \$1,785.

Ayes – All

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Update: Finance Department – COVID-19 and City Finances

Commissioner Madigan advised several areas that have reopened have had to close again. New York is experiencing a decline in cases and businesses are opening in phases. We will be moving to phase 3 tomorrow, which will allow restaurants to serve inside. All seating has to be spaced 6 feet apart.

Commissioner Madigan also advised revenues have diminished. The situation has been stabilized by obtaining a short-term loan. This loan must be repaid in full with interest June 2021. The departments have reduced expenses for a total of \$3.4 million. Some employees were recalled from furlough so the actual savings is not going to be known. We are using fund balance to stabilize the situation. Going forward, we could get additional loans; further expense cuts; continue to negotiate with employees on wage reductions; layoffs; payment on a lag; and early retirements. Revenue deficits for 2020 are projected to be between \$14 million - \$17 million. Revenue deficits for 2021 are projected to be about \$8 million dollars. We may want to consider property a tax increase this year.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Addendum One to Bolton St. Johns Agreement for Governmental Relations (20-287)

Commissioner Madigan advised this addendum is to extend the agreement for 3 additional months at \$1,000 per month. It is beneficial to have Bolton St. Johns working with us as we work through this pandemic.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Mayor Kelly seconded to authorize the mayor to sign addendum one to Bolton St. Johns agreement for governmental relations as included with the agenda.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfers – Contingency (20-288)

Commissioner Madigan advised this transfer is to cover the Bolton St. Johns agreement. The current contingency balance is \$133,145.39 and following this transfer, the contingency balance will be \$130,145.39.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to approve budget transfers – contingency as included with the agenda.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfers – Payroll (20-289)

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

Ayes - All

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contract with Amrex Chemical Company, Inc. for Water Treatment Plan Chemicals (20-290)

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded for the mayor to sign an agreement with Amrex Chemical Company for the hydrofluosilicic acid and sodiumsilico fluoride chemicals for the water treatment plant.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contract with Faesy & Besthoff, LLC for Water Treatment Plan Chemicals (20-291)

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded for the mayor to sign an agreement with Faesy & Besthoff, LLC for copper sulfate chemicals for the water treatment plant.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contract with Holland Company, Inc. for Water Treatment Plant Chemicals (20-292)

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded for the mayor to sign an agreement with Holland Company for polyaluminum chloride chemicals for the water treatment plant.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contract with Surpass Chemical Company, Inc. for Water Treatment Plan Chemical (20-293)

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded for the mayor to sign an agreement with Surpass Chemical Company for orthophosphate chemical for the water treatment plant.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Addendum 4 with MCWB for Canfield Casino Renovation (20-294)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this addendum is for emergency structural repairs in the amount of \$7,883.75 to cover these additional services.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to for the mayor to sign addendum #4 with Mesick, Cohen, Wilson, Baker for the Canfield Casino renovation in the amount of \$7,883.75.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Approval to Pay Invoice #393492 in the Amount of \$185.01 to American Changer for Carousel Token Machine Repair (20-295)

Commissioner Scirocco stated this invoice is for repair to the token machine at the vendor's location.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to pay invoice 393492 in the amount of \$185.01 to American Changer for carousel token machine repair.

Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Donation for Temporary Use of Picnic Tables from NYRA (20-296)

Commissioner Scirocco advised NYRA would like to donate picnic tables for temporary use. The picnic tables will be placed on the walkway behind the carousel.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to accept temporary donation of up to 15 picnic tables from NYRA to be placed in Congress Park for additional outdoor dining.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Change Order #12 with MLB Construction Services for City Hall Renovation – General Construction (20-297)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this change order is for additional unforeseen conditions in changes in the original scope of work.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to for the mayor to sign change order #12 with MLB Construction Services in the amount of \$128,987.28 for City Hall renovation – general construction.

Ayes – All

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to add an item to the agenda – discussion and vote to accept donation from Dehn’s Flowers. (20-298)

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Accept Donation from Dehn’s Flowers (20-299)

Commissioner Scirocco advised Dehn’s Flowers would like to donate up to 40 flats of annuals to be used in Congress Park and City flowerbeds. The total value is \$1,360.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Mayor Kelly seconded to accept the donation of up to 40 flats of annual flowers from Dehn’s Flowers.

Ayes – All

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Announcement: Virus Update – Phase 3 Re-opening

Commissioner Dalton announced there are no hospitalizations and no new confirmed cases. The Emergency Management Committee has completed their job; it ended when the City’s state of emergency ended.

Announcement: RFP for Design Services for Fire/EMS Station 3

Commissioner Dalton announced the RFP went out last Wednesday and is due back to be opened on July 2, 2020. No money is being spent with this RFP. This is a strategic move for if and when we are ready to move forward.

Announcement: Community Outreach

Commissioner Dalton announced there have been many protests in our downtown. She will formalize a response and putting it out to the public very soon. They will also be holding a town hall type meeting.

SUPERVISORS

Matt Veitch

Re-Opening Committee Update

Supervisor Veitch reported they met last Friday; they meet weekly. They discussed the proposed \$50,000 to be spent for advertising with the Chamber of Commerce. He originally had concerns with this amount but based on the comments from the local business community, he voted in favor of spending this. They also approved money for a rapid testing machine at the County.

Buildings & Grounds Committee Update

Supervisor Veitch reported the item dealt with at the meeting regarded the closing of the main street in Ballston Spa for businesses to use and using the County lots for parking. They approved parking in the County lots during the weekday evenings and on the weekends. He also mentioned the Woodlawn Avenue lot is available for the City to use for parking. They will need to work out some insurance requirements.

Tara Gaston

COVID-19 Update

Supervisor Gaston reported across the county there are 22 active cases and 1 hospitalization. Most of the uptick in cases is coming from nursing home staff.

Re-opening Update

Supervisor Gaston reported that tomorrow the Capital Region will be entering phase 3. All guidelines can be found on line at www.saratogacountyny.gov/county-reopening.

Public Forum

Supervisor Gaston reported she will hold a public forum on June 25, 2020 from 6 – 8 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Kelly adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Ribis
Clerk

Approved: 10/6/2020
Vote: 4 - 0