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Candidate for (office): Dept. of Public Works

Question #1: Please briefly define “sustainability” and what it means to you.

The idea of sustainability is the idea of being able to provide projects both economically and environmentally for generations. Conducting projects with the impact on future generations in mind.

Question #2: Many business, institutions and municipal governments have designated sustainability coordinators. Do you support the creation of a sustainability coordinator or office in city hall or in the county government?

I think a coordinator would benefit the city best if it was a position in county government. It would encompass all local municipalities to work together for a common goal.

Question #3: What can we do locally to confront climate change?

We can improve on local zoning and planning to include green infrastructure.

Question #4: What are some of your ideas for sustainable economic development for our community? Do they include casino gambling?

I am not in favor of casino gambling in the city. I feel that low taxes, improving existing infrastructure; such as, our new supplemental water source the Bog Meadow well fields.

These improvements would make Saratoga Springs an even more desirable place for new and existing business to grow now and into the future.

Question #5: How do you envision the future development of land within the city's core and within the "greenbelt"?

In order to maintain our city in the country, we need to make sure that any growth is in compliance with the comprehensive plan.

Question #6: If elected, what kinds of sustainable activities or projects would you likely retain? How could they be improved? Which ones would you initiate?

Such projects are the Urban Forestry Plan, Spa Solar Park, and the compost facility. A way to improve any of the above would be to better educate the public on the benefits that they could provide. At the present time I am working on all the projects mentioned.