# City of Auburn City Council Meeting Thursday February 23, 2012 6:00PM

## **Minutes**

The regular meeting of the Auburn City Council was called to order at 6:00 PM in City Council Chambers, 24 South St. Auburn NY by Mayor Michael D. Quill.

**Roll Call** The City Clerk called the roll. Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Ouill, **PRESENT.** 

### **City Staff Present:**

## **CITY STAFF PRESENT**

City Manager Douglas Selby Corporation Counsel John Rossi

City Clerk
Police Chief
Capital Projects Manager
Fire Chief
Planning Program Mgr.
Debby McCormick
Gary Giannotta
Christina Selvek
Jeffery Dygert
Trish Ottley

Water Filtration Supervisor Anthony De Caro

The Mayor led the **Pledge of Allegiance** and asked for a **Moment of Silence**.

#### Public to be heard

Former City Councilor Gilda Brower, resident of 40 Grover Ave spoke to Council to promote a free workshop being offered at the College on Saturday February 25 that is open to the public. Its focus will be on informing citizens about the issues that are damaging Owasco Lake and how people can become advocates for the lake.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes - February 9th** - Minutes were accepted unanimously.

#### **Presentations and Proclamations**

Tim Kelly, Executive Director, of the United Way - presented an overview of the United Way Community Indicators Project.

Ginny Kent, CC Education & Research Coordinator gave a presentation on the Chamber of Commerce Finger Lakes Grants Information Center. She explained the goals of the organization, who it was targeted for, and how to access it as a resource.

Christina Selvek, Director of Capital Projects and Grants gave Council an update on the status of City Grants. She provided a hand out.

**Public Announcements - None.** 

**Presentations of Petitions and Communications -** The Clerk read.

There were no SEQR Resolutions, Resolutions, Local Laws, or Tabled Legislation.

**Other Business** 

**Auburn Municipal Power Agency - Work Session** 

**Denny Zach, Chair of AMPA -** spoke to Council on behalf of the committee. He discussed the challenges, accomplishments and future plans of the committee. John Montone, a member of the board, joined Mr. Zach in reviewing some of the requests of the agency. John Rossi Corporation Counsel spoke on several matters that were discussed.

Prior to conclusion, Council asked the following:

- That a special meeting (not Council Meeting night) be scheduled with AMPA, consultants, attorneys and Council in **early April**
- That the City Manager and members of AMPA to present a plan to run power to Casey Park to include financial plan which should be delivered to Council by March 1.

The City Manager invited Council to join him if they choose on a conference call scheduled for this Thursday with Jeff Genzer, (attorney) to discuss the city's power projects.

Other business - Councilor Graney asked why Verizon was not airing Council meetings, Mr. Rossi discussed the plans for Verizon in the near future.

Adjournment Council adjourned at 8:55PM