

Auburn City Council
Regular Weekly Business Meeting
Thursday June 14, 2012 6:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Minutes

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

Roll Call

The City Clerk Called the roll. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Ruzicka, Smith **and** Mayor Quill, present.

City Staff Present:

City Manager	Doug Selby
Corporation Counsel	John Rossi
City Clerk	Debby McCormick
Fire Chief	Jeffery Dygert
Treasurer	Bob Gauthier

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

Public to be Heard

Dave Arnold, 29 Logan St. Auburn & Member of the City Parks and Recreation Commission - Spoke to encourage Council to maintain funds for Parks and Recreation programs in the budget.

Ron Quill 5 Case Ave. - spoke to thank the Mayor, Manager and all that participated in the Flag Day ceremony at the Knights of Columbus.

Meeting Minutes: May 23 & 24, 2012 Approved.

Presentations and Proclamations - None.

Public Announcements - None.

City Manager's Report

Mr. Selby reported on the following:

A letter was sent to J. D. Pabis Superintendent of the Auburn School District regarding participation in the 485a legislation.

The consultant looking at the City's landfill gas/energy issues is working with staff to improve the financial performance of the program.

The DASNY contract is completed with Council changes included. This is a one million dollar pass through grant from the state to the hotel for furniture and fixtures.

He and city staff have met with the City's health insurance consultants First Niagara Financial to review past performance of city's program. The city has an average increase of 5.4% which is favorable -- the industry standard is 10%. An Employee Wellness program is in planning stages for the future as an investment that consultants say has a 3/1 ratio payback and will reduce costs.

Reminder that the AIDA board has invited Councilors to join them for a webinar on the impact of PILOTs on city taxes.

An energy services contractor has begun work to analyze city's use of energy and recommend actions that will save energy

Presentation of Petition and Communications - None.

State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions - None

Ordinances - None.

Resolutions - Financial Resolution #63 of 2012 adopting the 2012-13 City Budget. - **TABLED**

The City Manager reviewed the status of the budget as of this date. He recommended tabling the resolution and allowing staff a few more days to finalize numbers. He suggested a special meeting for next week. Council discussed and agreed to move the regular Thursday meeting start time up to 4:00PM to accommodate the extra time needed.

Councilor Camardo commented on the budget and his concerns about city finance overall.

Local Law & Tabled Legislation - None.

Other Business

Councilor Camardo commented on a newspaper article that indicated Council had a lack of support for AIDA. He clarified that Council does support AIDA. Councilor Ruzicka agreed.

Councilor Smith commented and congratulated each on the partnership between the College (Cayuga) and the School District.

Mayor Quill commented on the Flag Day Ceremony held earlier in the day.

Recap - The Clerk read.

Adjournment - Council adjourned at 6:30PM to executive session. They returned at 7:30 and adjourned.