

Auburn City Council
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Thursday November 8, 2012 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

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

Roll Call

The City Clerk called the roll. Councilor Camardo, Ruzicka, Smith and Mayor Quill, present. Councilor Graney arrived after roll.

City Staff Present:

City Manager	Doug Selby
Corporation Counsel	John Rossi
City Clerk	Debby McCormick
Police Chief	Brian Neagle
Fire Chief	Jeff Dygert
Superintendent Engineering	Bill Lupien
CIP Manager	Christina Selvek
Municipal Utilities Dir.	Vicki Murphy
Comptroller	Lauren Poelhman
Fire Chief	Jeff Dygert
Water Department	Tony DeCaro

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

Public to be Heard -

Norm Davis 87 North Division St. Thanked the Auburn Police Department for work they have done on Barber St.

Ron Quill, Case St. Reminded the public of the need for donations at the Salvation Army for Turkeys for the free Thanksgiving Dinner that is planned.

Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the October 17 & 18, 2012 Council Meeting - Approved unanimously.

Presentations and Proclamations - The City Clerk read 2 proclamations:

A. The Unitarian Universalist Society of Auburn 200th Anniversary Celebration

Gilda Brower accepted and spoke briefly.

B. Proclamation honoring Veteran's Day.

C. Mill Street Hydro Design - Christine Selvek, Director of Capital Projects and Grants

Christina introduced the Mill Street Dam Hydro project consultant, Engineers from Siemens

Industry, Inc. reviewed the feasibility study done for the redevelopment of the Mill St. Dam Hydroelectric station. They discussed concerns regarding repowering, options for obtaining the most benefit for the city at the least risk, rates, the timeline, and the process.

Public Announcements - The Clerk read an announcement that the Council Meeting that would normally be held on November 22, 2012 will be held on Tuesday November 20, 2012 at 4:30PM in observance of Thanksgiving.

City Manager's Report -

Mr. Selby reported on the Franklin St. water line repair project status. He also reported that there have been some resident complaints on the 4 way stop on North Marvine Ave.

Presentation of Petition and Communications - The Clerk read.

- **State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions** - None.

There were no Ordinances.

Resolutions

Appointment Resolution # 131 of 2012 authorizing the appointment of a general mechanic/heavy equipment operator. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED.**

There were no Local Laws or Tabled Legislation.

Other Business -

Lauren Poehlman, Comptroller presented Council with a **Quarterly Budget Report.**

Christina Selvek, CIP Manager, presented Council with an update on **Water & Sewer Capital Projects.** She reviewed:

Currently funded projects

- Overflow Retention Facility and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition
- Sewer Collection System Improvement Project
- York Street Water & Sewer Mains

Upcoming Projects (2013-2015)

- Wastewater Treatment Plant Equipment & Roof Project
- Franklin Street Distribution Line
- State Dam, Dam Safety Improvement Project
- Lower Pump Station Valve Project
- South street/Osborne Street Water & Sewer Betterments

Vicky Murphy, Director of Municipal Utilities presented Council with a report on the **Water Fund.** Her report included historical information on water rates and the budget. Ms. Murphy

also presented different options for designing new water rate structures and recommended an increase in the rate.

Fire Chief Jeff Dygert presented an update on **Mutual Aid**. He covered the history and future of mutual aid. He gave examples of mutual aid that has been provided by the city and for the city. He discussed the benefits to the community, and the economy.

CDBG Out Sourcing - Doug Selby, City Manager discussed this briefly.

Council moved to go into executive session to discuss litigation and personnel at 8:45 PM and returned at 9:05PM. **Council adjourned at 9:05PM.**