City of Auburn City Council Meeting Thursday December 6, 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 Acting Mayor Matt Smith.

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

City Staff Present:

CITY STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Douglas Selby Corporation Counsel John Rossi

City Clerk Debby McCormick
Comptroller Lauren Poelhman

Councilor Smith led the **Pledge of Allegiance** and asked for a **Moment of Silence**.

Public to be heard - None.

Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 15th, 2012 - Approved

Presentations and Proclamations

Tomatofest of CNY

The Clerk read a proclamation recognizing the Tomatofest of CNY for the work done to obtain funds for local food pantries. Janice Sanders, Tomatofest Executive Director accepted the proclamation.

Ms. Sanders distributed Tomatofest proceeds to the participating Food Pantries; First Love Ministries, Salvation Army, Calvary Church, and Western Cayuga Food Pantry. The volunteers commented on the growing need for this support in the community. Ms. Sanders thanked Council for their support.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Doug Selby introduced Attorney Dan Spritzer and Engineer Steve Walgold consultants hired to advise the Council regarding decisions pertaining to Water Sewer Regionalization. The details of legislation to create the Authority were addressed along with liability, rates, board make up, and several other details and issues. Council discussed.

Mr. Selby also reported that, as requested by Council the city website now features a page listing all resources available to homeowners looking for assistance when upgrading their home. In addition he reported that the City's Risk Management Consultant presented information to staff earlier in the week. Mr. Selby would like to have them attend a Council Meeting as well.

Public Announcements - None.

Presentations of Petitions and Communications - The Clerk read.

SEQR Resolutions - None.

Resolutions

Grant Resolution # 143 of 2012 accepting a Grant for Auburn Community Baseball Association from the Fred L. Emerson Foundation. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Aye, Mayor Quill absent.**

Agreement Resolution #142 of 2012 amending a Small Renewable Generator Power Purchase Agreement. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Aye, Mayor Quill absent.**

There were no Ordinances, Local Laws and Tabled Legislation.

Other Business

Council discussed landfill issues, the water agreement with the Town of Aurelius, and consolidation.

Councilor Smith commented on the public perception of issues the Council is working on. Issues such as water sewer authority, economic development, sales tax rate, etc.

Councilor Smith reported that Mayor Quill was invited to Johnstown to speaking at a symposium on rebuilding city downtowns.

Council adjourned to executive session at 7:45PM and returned at 8:10PM.

Adjournment Council adjourned at 8:10PM