City of Auburn

City Council Meeting – Business Meeting Tuesday March 26, 2013 4:00PM Minutes

The regular meeting of the Auburn City Council was called to order at 4:00PM in the City Council Chambers 24 South St. Auburn NY by Mayor Michael Quill. This meeting was held on Tuesday due the holiday weekend. Date changed by Council Resolution.

Roll Call – The City Clerk called the roll. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka and Mayor Quill present.

City Staff Present:

City Manager Doug Selby Corporation Counsel John Rossi

City Clerk Debby McCormick Comptroller Lauren Poelhman

Supervisor Public Works
Planning Director
Engineering Director
Municipal Utilities Dr.
Fire Chief
Sr. Bldg. Maint. Mech.
AFD Lieutenant
Mike Talbot
Jenny Haines
Bill Lupien
Vicky Murphy
Jeff Dygert
Mark Storrs
Matt Quill

Public to be Heard – There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

Proclamation - None

.Presentations

Wendel Energy Performance Contract Project – Timothy P. Dietrich, Joe DeFazio and Brian Sibiga representing the Wendel Group reviewed data and analysis prepared for the city council. They reported that the data was obtained after an extensive evaluation of facilities throughout city, and meetings with staff to identify priorities. They provided a summary of recommended measures to improve energy efficiency and increase revenue. They reported an estimated cost for the changes of\$17,000,000 and they discussed financing options.

City Council discussed and agreed to pass a resolution with expected start of construction in June.

City Manager's Report – There was no to report at this meeting.

Communications – The City Clerk read a letter from State Senator DeFranscisco regarding an increase in CHIPS funding that the city will receive. The Mayor and Manager commented.

There were no SEQR, Ordinances, Resolutions, and Local Laws.

Other Business

Preliminary Budget 2013 -14 – The City Manager and Lauren Poehlman Comptroller presented a preliminary draft budget. Ms. Poehlman review the information presented for Council.

Council requested that the City Manager present a balanced budget as soon as possible. Council wants to give the public time to have input on it. In further discussion Council agreed that a 2% tax increase would be acceptable.

Councilor Ruzicka inquired about a payment on the claims list of \$10,000. Mr. Rossi explained that it was for title searches on foreclosures.

Council adjourned to executive session at 5:00PM. They returned at 5:20PM and the meeting adjourned at 5:20PM.