## Auburn City Council Regular Weekly Business Meeting Thursday July 18, 2013 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 N.Y. by Mayor Michael Quill.

## **Roll Call**

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

## **City Staff Present:**

City Manager
Corporation Counsel
Deputy City Clerk
Superintendent of Engineering Services
Director of Capital Projects & Grants
Planning & Community Dev. Manager
Doug Selby
John Rossi
Coleen LaMay
William Lupien
Christina Selvek
Jenny Haines

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

## Public Hearing regarding Owasco River Greenway Trail

Katherine Alexander 34 Gaylord St. spoke against the Owasco River Greenway Trail because the City's resources are depleting.

John Abbott Owasco, NY spoke against the Owasco River Greenway Trail.

Sabrina Hesford Auburn, NY urged council to vote in favor of the Owasco River Greenway Trail because it will promote businesses downtown, increase property values and it will add quality of life to the City's downtown.

Steve Kohler 33 Canoga asked the City if they would be willing to put a fence in at the end of the trail because he owns property on Wadsworth right where the trail would be ending.

Carl Cuipylo spoke in favor of the Owasco River Greenway Trail because he believes trails like these make it safe for people to get out and enjoy the outdoors and it would increase revenue.

Tracey Barrigar spoke in support of the Owasco River Greenway trail Project. She believes that projects like these are what attract people to a community.

Anita Marinelli Owasco Rd. spoke against the Owasco River Greenway trail. She owns a home on Lizette St. and she believes a trail like this will cause security and privacy issues.

Dick Paulino Owasco NY spoke against the Owasco River Greenway Trail Project and said he would rather see a river walk instead.

Robert Weldon Standart Woods spoke against the Owasco River Greenway Trail Project stating it is too dangerous and you would be building a death trap for small children.

Public to be Heard - None

**Meeting Minutes:** Meeting minutes for June 25, 2013 and June 27, 2013- Approved unanimously

**Presentations and Proclamations** – None

**Public Announcements** – None

City Manager's Report - Mr. Selby reported on the following:

Mr. Selby reported that there was going to be a Town Hall meeting in Owasco on July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm for information on the I-80 project. The Department of Transportation would be present and it was being hosted by Ed Wagner. There are 2 locations listed depending on the number of attendees. The meeting would either be held at the Town Hall or Owasco Elementary School. Anyone interested in more information can contact 253-9021.

Mr. Selby informed council that the search for a Comptroller had been put on hold pending discussions on reorganization. Mr. Selby did try and reach out to some previous candidates, one of them being interested, but when Mr. Selby explained the temporary nature of possible assignment he declined. Mr. Selby informed council the City would continue what it is currently doing, having a temporary person come in a couple days a week and managing as best we can.

Mr. Selby informed council on emails that were exchanged between him and Vicki on trying to put a possible meeting on the regionalization of Water/Sewer. In May when the task force last met Mr. Selby thought that would be the last meeting, but task force members who were at the table wanted to have a face to face meeting with council. That would be purpose of a future meeting tentatively purposed for August 19<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

**Presentation of Petition and Communications** – None

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

**Ordinances** - None

**Resolutions** –

Council Resolution #78 of 2013 authorizing the City to accept a dedicated street from the Auburn Housing Authority. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill. Aye. CARRIED.

Change Order Resolution #79 of 2013 authorizing award of change order #1 for the City Sidewalk Program. Councilor Graney, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. Councilor Camardo abstain. CARRIED.

Council Resolution #80 of 2013 authorizing the City of Auburn to apply for funding under the 2013 Consolidated Funding Application for Urban Forestry Programs. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicaka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED.

Agreement Resolution #81 of 2013 between the City of Auburn and the YMCA-WEIU for managing the swimming pool at Casey Park. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzica, Mayor Quill. Aye. CARRIED

Agreement Resolution #82 of 2013 amending the City Manager's employment contract. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED

Financial Resolution #83 of 2013 accepting funding from the Federal Corporation for National and Community Service for the FY 2013-14 RSVP Program. Councilor Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED

Council Resolution #84 of 2013 authorizing the application for construction and funding for the Owasco River Greenway Trail Project. **Councilor Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED** 

Council Resolution #85 of 2013authorizing the reorganization of the City of Auburn departments. **TABLED** 

Local Law- None

**Tabled Legislation-** None

**Other Business** 

**Recap:** The Deputy City Clerk read.

Council adjourned for executive session at 8:04PM

**Adjournment** - They returned at 9:10PM and adjourned.