Auburn City Council Thursday December 5, 2013 6:00PM City Council Chambers Business Meeting Minutes

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

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

Planning Director Jenny Haines
DPW Supervisor Mike Talbot
Code Dept. Supervisor Brian Hicks
CIP Manager Christina Selvek

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Mayor Quill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Quill then asked for Moment of Silent Prayer or Reflection.

On behalf of Council, Mayor Quill asked for and received Council's consensus to add **Appointment Resolution #136 of 2013 to the agenda.**

Public to be Heard

Ron Quill, Case Ave spoke to thank the public for all of the support given during the Thanksgiving holiday to help put on the dinner on Thanksgiving Day.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: November 14, 2013 were approved unanimously.

Presentations and Proclamations -

County Legislator Tim Lattimore requested time on Council's meeting agenda to speak about the landfill. Mayor Quill thanked Mr. Lattimore and wished him a Merry Christmas.

Public Announcements - The Clerk read.

City Manager's Report

The City Manager reported:

- That the Planning Department has modified how they use their reduced resources to be more responsive rather than proactive with economic development services. CEDA is working well and efficiently with the proactive side of economic development, along with the support of AIDA.
- CGI Communication is working with the city to create videos to showcase aspects of the city. These videos can be used to promote the city in various ways where video is used, such as on city website.
- The City Police are alerting residents about solicitors going door to door selling energy services. Solicitors must have permits from the city and residents are encouraged to use caution and ask for identification when someone comes to their door.

Presentation of Petition and Communications – There were none.

State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolution

SEQR Resolution # 133 of 2013 Determining an Unlisted Action and Significance of Environmental Impacts related to the Acquisition of the Landfill Gas Cogeneration Facility.

VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED

Ordinances

Bond Ordinance #12 of 2013 authorizing the issuance of \$4,900,000 Serial Bonds to Finance the Acquisition of the Landfill Gas Cogeneration Facility. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED**

Resolutions

Council Resolution # 134 of 2013 approving a Loan to the Auburn Community Non-Profit Baseball Association, Inc. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye. CARRIED prior** to the vote, David Daum President of the Auburn Community Baseball Board spoke to Council to explain the board's plans for the future and to thank the City for the assistance.

Resolution #135 of 2013 authorizing the City to apply for a NYS DEC Water Quality Improvement Grant. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Ave. CARRIED**

Appointment Resolution #136 of 2013 authorizing the appointment of Daniel Emmi to fill the unexpired term of Christopher DeAngelis as Civil Service Commissioner. **VOTE: Councilors Graney, Camardo, Smith, Ruzicka, Mayor Quill, Aye.**

Other Business

Re-Organization of the Code Department

Mr. Selby had provided Council with information regarding staffing and options for reassigning the department to the Fire Department. Council discussed. Council concurred that the Manager should move forward with plans to reorganize the Code Department with the Fire Department as part of the plan.

Budget Discussion

Mr. Selby provided Council with budget information as of October 31st 2013. He reviewed the trends that were indicated by the graphs that he stated were favorable overall for this point in time.

Landfill Tipping Fees

Mike Talbot, DPW Supervisor review data regarding expenses and revenue at the Landfill. Council discussed.

Council **adjourned** to executive session to discuss possible litigation and a personnel matter at 8:00PM and returned at 8:40PM to adjourn the meeting.