

**Auburn City Council  
Business Meeting  
Tuesday, April 15, 2014 6:00PM  
City Council Chambers  
Memorial City Hall  
24 South St.  
Auburn, NY 13021**

**Minutes**

The 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 Quill.

**Roll Call** – The City Clerk called the roll. Mayor Quill, and Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka were all present.

**The following City Staff was present:**

- City Manager, Doug Selby
- Corporation Counsel, John Rossi
- City Clerk, Charles Mason
- Comptroller, Laura Wills
- Director of Engineering, William Lupien
- Director of Public Works, Mike Talbot
- Landfill Supervisor, Scott Emerson
- Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator, Anthony DeCaro

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

**Moment of Silent Prayer or Reflection** – Mayor Quill asked for a moment of silent prayer.

Mayor Quill announced that with the consent of Council the following resolution would be added to this evening's agenda: Financial Resolution # 74 of 2014 Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and the Mayor to Enter into a Lease Agreement with Patch Management, INC. No member of Council opposed.

**Public to be Heard** – None

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

A. April 10, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.

Motion to approve by Councilor Cuddy, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

**Presentations and Proclamations –**

**Public Announcements –**

The Clerk read the following:

- The City of Auburn Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, April 21, 2014 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers, Memorial City Hall, 24 South St. in Auburn.
- Mayor Quill announced that New York State Senator John DeFrancisco will be holding a Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, April 23, 2014 from 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. This meeting will be held in the County Legislature Chambers on the sixth floor of the Cayuga County Office Building, 160 Genesee St. in Auburn. The topic of the meeting is the recently passed New York State Budget.

**City Manager's Report –** The Manager reported on the following:

- A tentative date for a joint City Council and Cayuga County Legislature meeting has been set for May 14, 2014 at a time and location to be determined.
- The City was notified by Congressman Dan Maffei's office that it did not receive the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response grant (SAFER) the City applied for through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- The City Treasurer is reporting that sales tax revenue to the City is \$170,000.00 above the amount received at this time last year.
- NYSEG has reported to the City that it will be taking a transformer off-line for a period of up to 18 days that will impact the City's Wastewater Treatment Facility and the City's Co-Gen Facility. NYSEG needs to perform maintenance on the specific transformer.
- He has had very preliminary discussion with County officials on a potential theoretical future framework of the City working with the County's Regional Water Authority. This is following up on the several years of discussion previous Councils had with surrounding towns and the County about a potential regional water and sewer authority. The topic is at the very beginning point of just being a discussion.

**State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) – none**

**Ordinances – none**

**Resolutions –**

A. Council Resolution #63 of 2014 - Approving Freedom Recreational Services to Use the Facilities at Casey Park for Freedom Camp 2014

Motion to approve by Councilor Ruzicka, seconded by Councilor Camardo. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

B. Council Resolution #64 of 2014 Memorializing the Governor and State Legislature to Enact the Compassionate Care Act

Motion to approve by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Camardo. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

C. Change Order Resolution # 65 of 2014 Approving Change Order #1 for the Franklin Street Water Main Project

Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

D. Award Resolution #66 of 2014 - Awarding the Annual Financial Statement Audit

Motion to approve by Councilor Cuddy, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

E. Financial Resolution # 67 of 2014 - Transferring Funds For Payment To Cayuga County for the Purchase of Radios

Motion to approve by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Cuddy. Motion to table by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion to table did not carry, 2-3. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting aye. Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, and Mayor Quill voting no. The motion to approve carried 3-2. Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting no.

F. Financial Resolution #68 Authorizing a Budget Amendment To FY 2013-14 Budget for Transfer for the Reconstruction of the City Water Supply and Distribution System

Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion carried 4-1. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. Councilor McCormick voting no.

G. Council Resolution #69 of 2014 accepting Auburn Planning Board's Intent to Act as Lead Agency for the Environmental Review of an Unlisted Action for 5 Frederick Street, Auburn, New York

Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Cuddy. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

H. Agreement Resolution #70 of 2014 Entering Into a Contract for Professional Services for Field Lighting at Falcon Park Field

Motion to approve by Councilor Ruzicka, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The motion carried 4-0. Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. Councilor Camardo abstained from the vote due to a family member.

I. Award Resolution #71 of 2014 -Awarding the Bid for the Traffic Signal Upgrade Project  
Motion to approve by Councilor Ruzicka, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

J. Council Resolution #72 of 2014 Approving a Request for Proposals for an Operational Audit  
Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion did not carry 2-3. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting aye. Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, and Mayor Quill voting no.

K. Agreement Resolution # 73 of 2014 Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Contract with Fisher Associates  
Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

J. Financial Resolution # 74 of 2014 Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and the Mayor to Enter into a Lease Agreement with Patch Management, INC.  
Motion to approve by Councilor Ruzicka, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

**Local Law- none**

**Tabled Legislation- none**

**At 8:30 p.m. the Mayor called for a 10 minute recess.**

**The meeting reconvened at 8:40 p.m.**

**Other Business**

**Proposal on fee-based options for funding Curbside Refuse and Recycling services in the City of Auburn.** Presented by Comptroller Laura Wills, Director of the Department of Public Works Mike Talbot, and Landfill Supervisor Scott Emerson.

**Councilor Camardo** discussed the water meter replacement program being facilitated by the private company InLine Services. He reported that he had discussed with the City Manager creating a waiver that people could sign to switch the meter on their galvanized piping. The waiver would hold the City harmless if the water meter replacement was not successful. The Manager reported that upon the recommendation the City staff had created such a waiver and was beginning to present it as an option to effected property owners this week.

**Councilor Ruzicka** discussed the water meter replacement program being facilitated by the private company InLine Services. He asked for information on the validity of the meters so that we can assure property owners the meters are measuring accurately.

**Councilor Cuddy** discussed the water meter replacement program being facilitated by the private company InLine Services. He stressed that he wants the City to give property owners ample time and opportunity to get their meters replaced. He would like to see additional public relations work and attempts at communication conducted before the City considers fines for non-compliance.

**Adjournment:** By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on April 17, 2014 by:

Charles Mason  
City Clerk

On April 24, 2014 a motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2014 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Camardo.

	Ayes	Noes
Councilor McCormick	x	
Councilor Camardo	x	
Councilor Cuddy	x	
Councilor Ruzicka	Absent	
Mayor Quill	x	
Carried and Adopted	x	

*I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the City Council of the City of Auburn, N.Y., at a regular meeting thereof, held in the Council Chambers, Memorial City Hall, in said city, on the 15th day of April, 2014 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.*

*Charles Mason, City Clerk      Date: April 25, 2014*