

**Auburn City Council
Business Meeting
Thursday, June 19, 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, and 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 Planning and Economic Development, Jenny Haines
- Director of Public Works, Mike Talbot
- Director of Engineering, Bill Lupien
- Fire Chief, Jeff Dygert
- Police Chief, Brian Neagle
- Director of Municipal Utilities, Vicky Murphy

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.

Public to be Heard –

- **Kathy Barnard, 44 Logan St.**
Spoke regarding the conditions of a house on 89 Osborne St. She discussed that a few weeks ago she toured the house with a local realtor, ever since she has had health problems that she believes is associated with the poor condition of the house.
- **Mark Kubarek, 2476 State Street Road**
Spoke regarding his thoughts on the proposed FY2014-15 Budget

- **Norm Davis, N. Division St.**

Spoke regarding the previously mentioned house on 89 Osborne St. Stated that in his travels throughout the City he believes the City has a problem with the development of gang activity in the neighborhoods.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A. June 11, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.

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.

Presentations and Proclamations – None

Public Announcements –

The Clerk made the following announcements:

A. This weekend, from the evening of Friday, June 20th through the evening of Saturday, June 21st there will be a planned power outage for Memorial City Hall so that maintenance can be conducted on the building's geothermal heating and cooling system. The impact this will have on service delivery is that the City Hall computer and e-mail system will be off-line during the 24 hour period.

B. The Streamline trash and recycling page of the City web site has been updated with trash and recycling information for the month of June and July.

- There will be a tire recycling event for residential properties in Cayuga County on Saturday, June 21st from 8:30 a.m. –Noon at the County Natural Resources Center on 7413 County House Road, Auburn, NY. This event will provide residents the opportunity to recycle tires for just \$1.00 each. Larger tires will be \$5.00 each. For more information on the tire recycling event residents may call Cornell Cooperative Extension at 255-1183.

- The week of June 30-July 3, 2014 the city will be on a Holiday schedule for trash and recycling pick up due to the 4th of July holiday falling on a Friday. This means trash and recycling pick-up will be one day early for City residents. Also, there will be no leaf/lawn waste pick-up on Monday, June 30th.

- The new Streamline Calendar for July through December of 2014 has been posted to the web site. This calendar is at the printer and is scheduled to be mailed to all residences in Auburn on June 26th.

- The Streamline page of the web site can be found at www.AuburnNY.gov/Streamline

C. Owasco Lake Day will be held on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at Emerson Park from 3 p.m. through 7 p.m. The event features many activities for children and families pertaining to the lake. There will be guest speakers and a panel discussion beginning at 5 p.m. in the Pavilion. For more information visit the Owasco Watershed Lake Association's web site at www.owla.org

D. The Auburn Doubledays baseball season is underway. Upcoming home games include:

- Friday June 20th at 7:05 p.m. vs. Williamsport Crosscutters (Philadelphia Phillies);
- Saturday, June 21st at 7:05 p.m. vs. Williamsport Crosscutters (Philadelphia Phillies);
- Sunday, June 22nd at 5:05 p.m. vs. Mahoning Valley Scrappers (Cleveland Indians);
- Monday, June 24th at 7:05 p.m. vs. Mahoning Valley Scrappers (Cleveland Indians); and,
- Thursday, June 26th at 7:05 p.m. vs. Batavia Muckdogs (Miami Marlins).

Our hometown Auburn Doubledays are the NY-Penn League Short Season Single-A affiliate of

the Washington Nationals Major League Baseball team. The complete Doubledays baseball schedule can be found at their web site at www.AuburnDoubledays.com

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

- The City has been experiencing problems with vandalism at Pomeroy Park. Action will be taken to address the issue such as posting that the park will be closed daily after 9 p.m. and more frequent Police surveillance.

State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR)

A. SEQR Resolution #107 of 2014 - Accepting the Auburn Planning Board as Lead Agency for the SEQRA Review of an Unlisted Action at 78 Franklin Street, Auburn, New York

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.

Ordinances – None

Resolutions –

A. Council Resolution #108 of 2014 Changing the Meeting Time for City Council Meetings During the Summer Months

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

B. Council Resolution #109 of 2014 Changing a Meeting Date to July 2, 2014

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

Councilor Camardo made a motion to amend the meeting start time to 6 p.m., Councilor Ruzicka seconded the motion. The motion to amend carried 3-2. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, and Ruzicka all voting aye, Councilors McCormick and Mayor Quill voted no. The Council then voted on the amended resolution, the motion carried 3-2. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, and Ruzicka all voting aye, Councilors McCormick and Mayor Quill voted no.

C. Financial Resolution #110 of 2014 - Adopting 2014 - 2015 Fee Schedule

Motion to approve by Councilor Cuddy, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The motion carried 3-2. Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting no.

D. Financial Resolution #111 of 2014 - Adoption of the 2014-2015 Budget

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

The City Comptroller discussed final alterations that would need to be made to the final budget proposal. Based on the Comptroller's report Councilor Cuddy made a motion to amend the resolution to change the following: the 2014-2015 taxable assessed valuation of \$982,540,264.00 decreased to \$982,530,564.00; and, the 2014-2015 Solid Waste Fund budget in the amount of \$4,273,052.00 was increased to \$4,366,713.00. Councilor McCormick seconded

the motion to amend. The motion to amend carried 3-2. Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting no.

The Council then voted on the resolution as amended. The motion to approve the resolution as amended carried 3-2. Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting no. (See Attachment A)

E. Council Resolution #112 of 2014 Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into Mass Energy Services Agreements

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

F. Land Sale Resolution #113 of 2014 Authorizing the Sale of Property at 264 Genesee Street

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.

**Mayor Quill announced that the following item had been added to the agenda:
Resolution #114 of 2014 - Authorizing Financing for the Revolving Loan Programs**

G. Council Resolution #114 of 2014 Authorizing Financing for the Revolving Loan Programs

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

Local Law- None

Tabled Legislation - None

Other Business

A. Councilor McCormick discussed a column that appeared in the June 19, 2014 Citizen newspaper written by Connie Reilly, Executive Director of the Downtown Auburn BID. She stated that the column was full of positive information about business and projects in Downtown Auburn.

B. Councilor Camardo asked for an update from Director of Engineering Bill Lupien on the Franklin St. reconstruction. Mr. Lupien updated the Council and stated that the project is on schedule and as long as the weather cooperates the project should be completed on time.

C. Mayor Quill reported that he had spent a day at Seward Elementary School with the 5th grade class to discuss involvement in government. He also had the opportunity to have a discussion with a group of tourists from France that stayed in Auburn and were very impressed with the City. He concluded his remarks by reporting that the Auburn Doubledays had a

successful opening night despite rainy weather conditions. He encourages the community to support the team this summer.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on June 20, 2014 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

On June 26, 2014 a motion to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2014 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

| | Ayes | Noes |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Councilor McCormick | x | |
| Councilor Camardo | x | |
| Councilor Cuddy | x | |
| Councilor Ruzicka | x | |
| 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 19th day of June, 2014 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: June 27, 2014

(Attachment A)

FINANCIAL RESOLUTION # 111 OF 2014 - ADOPTION OF THE 2014-2015 BUDGET

By: McCormick

WHEREAS the City Manager has presented to the City Council a recommended budget for 2014-2015 encompassing the various funds of the City; and

WHEREAS a public hearing was duly held on June 5, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS the City Council wishes to adopt said recommended budget as amended;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of auburn, New York that:

1. The 2014-2015 General fund budget in the amount of \$34,296,633.00 with the amount of \$12,183,593.00 to be raised by property taxes based upon the 2014-2015 taxable assessed valuation of ~~\$982,540,264.00~~ \$982,530,564.00 which will produce a tax rate of \$12.40 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, is hereby adopted.
2. The 2014-2015 Solid Waste fund budget in the amount of ~~\$4,273,052.00~~ \$4,366,713.00 is hereby adopted; and
3. The 2014-2015 Refuse Collection fund budget in the amount of \$1,067,736.00 is hereby adopted; and
4. The 2014-2015 Power Utility fund budget in the amount of \$1,815,500.00 is hereby adopted; and
5. The 2014-2015 Water fund budget in the amount of \$4,578,000.00 is hereby adopted; and
6. The 2014-2015 Sewer fund budget in the amount of \$7,851,000.00 is hereby adopted.

Seconded by: Cuddy

| | Ayes | Noes |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Councilor McCormick | x | |
| Councilor Camardo | | x |
| Councilor Cuddy | x | |
| Councilor Ruzicka | | x |
| Mayor Quill | x | |

Carried & Adopted x

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the vote for Financial Resolution #111 of 2014 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 19th day of June, 2014 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: June 20, 2014