

**Auburn City Council
Business Meeting
Thursday, July 17, 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
- Director of Capital Projects and Grants, Christina Selvek
- Engineer Department, Seth Jensen

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 –

- **Ron Tunney 12 Walnut Street**

Mr. Tunney spoke regarding the new Refuse Collection Fee that was on his recent property tax bill. He stated he owns a two-unit house and lives in one of the units, the other unit is vacant but will be filled by an individual soon. He suggested Council go back to the way it used to fund curbside refuse collection.

- **Sheila Gallup 6 St. Anthony Street**

Ms. Gallup spoke regarding residents in her neighborhood that are having fires in fire pits in their yards that create a lot of smoke and odor. She has called police and fire but the issue still exists. Mayor Quill stated that he would ask the City Manager to follow up on the matter.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A. July 10, 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 –

Members of the Auburn Rotary Club presented on their History's Hometown Clock project to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the service of the Auburn Rotary Club. The Rotary Club's new President and club members Mr. Don Grillo and Mr. Paul Berris presented.

Public Announcements –

The Clerk made the following announcements:

A. The City of Auburn Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its next meeting on Monday, July 21, 2014 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers at Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn, NY.

B. The City of Auburn Summer Concerts and Movies begin next week

- Tuesday, July 22nd at Hoopes Park beginning at 6:30 p.m. will be the band The Funky Blu Roots followed by the movie Despicable Me II.
- Thursday, July 24th at Clifford Field beginning at 6:30 p.m. will be the band Woodstone

C. The Auburn Doubledays baseball season is in full swing. Upcoming home games include:

- Thursday, July 17th at 7:05 p.m. vs. Hudson Valley Renegades (Tampa Bay Rays) This game will be a 'Dollar Thursday'.
- Friday, July 18th at 7:05 p.m. vs. Hudson Valley Renegades (Tampa Bay Rays);
- Saturday, July 19th at 7:05 p.m. vs. Lowell Spinners (Boston Red Sox) This game is followed by fireworks.
- Sunday, July 20th at 5:05 p.m. vs. Lowell Spinners (Boston Red Sox) This game is kids night, children 12 and under receive free admission.
- Monday, July 21st at 7:05 p.m. vs. Lowell Spinners (Boston Red Sox)

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 Manager reported that the City will begin to enforce the city's code for the placement of temporary signs. During the week of July 28, City staff will be picking up and disposing of any signs—advertising, events, public service, non-profit, real estate and any others—that are located in the City's right of way (ROW). Residents and property owners are being asked to please remove any signs, or properly place them on private property per the City's sign regulations, prior to July 28, 2014. For any questions related to the City's sign regulations, please call the Office of Code Enforcement at 255-4110.
- The City has been informed that it has received some reimbursement funds from the State of New York Department of State Local Government Efficiency Grant Program. \$275,749.55 was received to reimburse costs associated with design and engineering on

the Franklin Street Water Main Replacement project. \$47,465.84 was received to reimburse costs associated with previous work with the exploration of a Water and Sewer Regionalization effort.

- Effective immediately the City Clerk has been appointed (by the City manager) as the city's American's with Disabilities Act Title II compliance officer.
- The Civil Service Office will be relocating in City Hall from its basement location to an office on the second floor next to the City Manager's secretary's office.

State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) - None

Ordinances – None

Resolutions –

A. Council Resolution #122 of 2014 - Accepting the Gift of a Clock from Auburn Rotary Club

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.

B. Council Resolution #123 of 2014 - Approving the Senior Management Personnel Policy

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

C. Award Resolution #124 of 2014 - Awarding a Contract For Improvements At The Wastewater Treatment Plant

Mayor Quill announced that Award Resolution #124 had been pulled from the agenda by the City Manager.

D. Appointment Resolution #125 of 2014 Re-Appointing the City Manager

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

E. Council Resolution #126 of 2014 - Authorizing a Change Order Request For The 2013 City Sidewalk Program

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.

F. Financial Resolution #127 to amend the FY 2014-15 budget to accept additional funding for the City RSVP program

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.

G. Agreement Resolution #128 of 2014 - Authorizing the City to enter into a Master Agreement with NYS DOT for the W. Genesee Street Pavement Preservation Project; NYS DOT PIN # 375601

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.

H. Agreement Resolution #129 of 2014 - Authorizing the City to enter into a Master Agreement with NYS DOT for the Preservation of North Hunter Brook Culvert Phase I; NYS DOT PIN # 375598

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.

I. Appointment Resolution #130 of 2014 Confirming an Appointment to the Auburn Industrial Development Authority

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 -

Council Resolution #57 of 2014 - Approving Council Rules and Procedures

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

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

Motion to amend the proposed Rules and Procedures by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The motion to amend the proposed Rules and Procedures was to change the wording of Section I to the following:

I. REGULAR MEETINGS

Meetings of the Auburn City Council shall be held in the Council Chambers at Memorial City Hall, commencing at 6:00 PM ~~the first four Thursdays of each month~~ weekly in Council Chambers at Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn, NY or elsewhere upon public notice five days in advance thereof by resolution approved by Council.

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

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

Other Business

A. **Councilor Camardo** asked when the Council would receive an update regarding improvements to the water filtration plant. The manager reported that Council would be updated within a few weeks.

B. Councilor Cuddy stated he still is looking for the city council to work on a mission and vision statement for the city. He would also like to see an effort to update the city's comprehensive plan.

C. Councilor Cuddy and Councilor McCormick discussed the possibility of implementing a residential permit parking program as an attempt to resolve the parking situation on Easterly Ave. reported to the Council by Easterly Ave. resident Mr. Emanuel Ferrara. Councilor McCormick stated she had researched info on the program as it exists in the city of Ithaca, NY and forwarded that information to the City Manager.

D. Councilor Cuddy asked when work would begin on South Street. He wanted to know when the city would be scheduling an information meeting with South Street residents, businesses, and property owners.

E. Councilor Ruzicka asked the City Manager when the Council would start discussion on long term financial planning. The Manager reported that it would be a topic on the July 24, 2014 Council agenda.

F. There was a discussion among Council regarding what the city's Comprehensive Plan is. Councilors expressed various opinions about their views of what the plan is and what it means to the city.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on July 18, 2014 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

On July 24, 2014 a motion to approve the minutes of the July 17, 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	x	
Mayor Quill	x	
Carried and Adopted	x	

Minutes of the City Council Meeting, City of Auburn, NY, July 17, 2014

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 17th day of July, 2014 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: July 25, 2014