### Auburn City Council Regular Meeting Thursday, December 4, 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.

**1. 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 Grants and Capital Projects, Christina Selvek
- Superintendent of Engineering, William Lupien
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Mayor Quill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Mayor Quill announced two items:** 1. Resolution #176 of 2014 Authorizing the Amendment to the Sale of a Parcel of Land at 5 Frederick Street was being carried into the meeting for Council consideration, and 2. Appointment Resolution #173 of 2014 confirming appointments to the Auburn Industrial Development Authority was being pulled from the agenda. He asked for Council consent to add Resolution #176 of 2014 and no member of Council objected.

#### 4. Public Announcements –

The Clerk read the following:

A. Wreaths Across America Day is December 13, 2014. Wreaths Across America is a nonprofit organization with the mission of continuing and expanding the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery in our Nation's Capital. Locally there will be a Wreaths Across America Remembrance Ceremony held on December 13, 2014 at 12 p.m. (Noon). This ceremony will be held at the St. Peter & John Episcopal Church located across the street from Veteran's Memorial Park at 160 Genesee Street. This event is organized by the Cayuga County Vietnam Vetarns of America Chapter 704 with the assistance of students from the Dana L. West High School of Port Byron.

A. The next meeting of the Auburn Civil Service Commission will be held on Monday, December 8, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn. Please note this is the first meeting of the Auburn Civil Service Commission at their new monthly meeting date and time of the second Monday at 6:30 p.m.

B. The next meeting of the Auburn Plumbing Board will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn.

C. The City of Auburn Planning Department will be canceling the regularly scheduled Historic Resources Review Board meeting for Tuesday December 9, 2014. The office has not received any applications for Certificate of Appropriateness requiring board approval for the December monthly meeting. The next board meeting will be Tuesday January 13th, 2015 at 7pm at Memorial City Hall.

D. The STREAMLINE page of the City website has been updated for the month of December 2014. The month includes two holiday weeks due to Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

The week of Monday, December 22nd is Christmas week and trash and recycling will be picked up one day early in the City of Auburn for residents that have a regular pick-up day between Tuesday and Thursday. The Christmas Week Schedule is as follows:

- If your pick up day is usually Tuesday (December 23rd),
- you will be picked up on Monday, December 22nd
- If your pick up day is usually Wednesday (December 24th), you will be picked up on Tuesday, December 23rd
- If your pick up day is usually Thursday (December 25th),
  - you will be picked up on Wednesday, December 24th
- There will be no pick up on Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25th
- If your pick up day is usually Friday,

you will be picked up on Friday, December 26th

The week of Monday, December 29th is New Year's Day week and trash and recycling will be picked up one day early in the City of Auburn for residents that have a regular pick-up day between Tuesday and Thursday. The New Year's Week Schedule is as follows:

- If your pick up day is usually Tuesday (December 30th),
- you will be picked up on Monday, December 29th
- If your pick up day is usually Wednesday (December 31st), you will be picked up on Tuesday, December 30th
- you will be picked up on Tuesday, December 30th
- If your pick up day is usually Thursday (January 1st), you will be picked up on Wednesday, December 31st
- There will be no pick up on New Year's Day, Thursday, January 1st
- If your pick up day is usually Friday,
  - you will be picked up on Friday, January 2nd

E. The City of Auburn Civil Service Commission office has posted several civil service exam announcements:

1. A promotional examination (EXAMINATION #74-881) for the position of Fire Chief will be held on January 24, 2015. Exam applications must be filed by December 10, 2014.

2. A promotional examination (EXAMINATION # 74-882) for the position of Assistant Fire Chief will be held on January 24, 2015. Exam applications must be filed by December 10, 2014.

3. An open competitive examination (EXAMINATION # 20-151) for the position of Account Clerk in the City of Auburn will be held on January 17, 2015. Exam applications must be filed by December 10, 2014.

4. An open competitive examination (EXAMINATION # 20-152) for the position of Clerk for the City of Auburn and the Auburn Enlarged City School District will be held on January 17, 2015. Exam applications must be filed by December 10, 2014.

5. An open competitive examination (EXAMINATION # 65-129) for the position of Records Retention Clerk for the City of Auburn will be held on February 7, 2015. Exam applications must be filed by December 17, 2014.

#### 5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations- None

**6. Public to be Heard** – The Mayor opened the Public to be Heard portion of the Council meeting and the Clerk read the Public to be Heard rules. The following members of the public spoke:

#### Ron Quill, 5 Case Avenue

Mr. Quill spoke to thank the community for its support and donations for the local Salvation Army's Thanksgiving Dinner. Many volunteers contributed time and resources to provide Thanksgiving to hundreds of local citizens on Thanksgiving Day.

#### 7. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

#### November 25, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.

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

#### 8. Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report – City Manager Doug Selby had nothing to report.

#### **B.** Reports from members of Council

**Councilor McCormick** commented on the community events of Saturday, November 29, 2014. She noted the ceremony to dedicate the banner at the City parking garage, the Holiday Parade, and Tree Lighting ceremony were all well attended.

#### 9. Matters to Come Before Council

#### A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) – None

#### **B.** Ordinances - None

#### C. Local Laws – None

#### **D.** Resolutions –

## D1. Council Resolution #172 of 2014 Authorizing a Resolution of Municipal Endorsement for the Cayuga County Arts Council to Apply for FY 2015 US EPA Brownfield Cleanup Grant Funds

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

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

**D2.** Appointment Resolution #173 of 2014 confirming appointments to the Auburn Industrial Development Authority. Mayor Quill announced that this resolution had been pulled from the agenda.

## **D3.** Award Resolution #174 Awarding the Engineering and Design Portion of the North Hunter Brook Culvert Preservation 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.

# **D4.** Resolution #175 of 2014 Special Meeting for Mandatory Workplace Training for City Council

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.

# **D5.** Resolution #176 of 2014 Authorizing the Amendment to the Sale of a Parcel of Land at 5 Frederick Street

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

Mayor Quill stated that because this was a land Sale Resolution it would require 4 votes of the Council to carry.

Councilor Ruzicka made a motion to table the resolution, seconded by Councilor Camardo. The motion to table did not carry 2-3. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voted aye, Councilors McCormick, Cuddy, and Mayor Quill all voting no.

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

The City Clerk announced that the motion did not carry because it did not have the 4 aye votes required to carry.

#### E. Tabled Legislation - None

#### F. Staff/Vendor Presentations - None

#### 10. Other Business

**A. Councilor Camardo** had the following items: 1. He discussed that he required more time and notification from City staff to be able to make a decision on the sale of 5 Frederick Street. 2. He asked the City Manager for a progress report on his earlier request for a budget calendar which would include discussion on consolidation and reorganization. The City Manager responded that he had been focusing on development of a five year financial plan for the City and that he would be bringing that before Council at the December 18, 2014 City Council meeting. 3. He mentioned that he had previously asked that a meeting be set up with the Cayuga Economic Development Agency to discuss Economic Development and he was wondering when that could be scheduled.

**B.** Councilor Ruzicka stated that he required more time and notification from City staff to be able to make a decision on the sale of 5 Frederick Street.

**C. Councilor McCormick** stated that the sale of 5 Frederick Street was the topic of Council discussion at an Executive Session the Council previously held pertaining to the sale of City owned land. She stated the Council had been briefed by staff at that meeting.

**D.** Councilor Ruzicka stated that information discussed during the meeting and questions brought up by other members of Council about the sale of 5 Frederick Street led to his decision that he needed more time to investigate the matter further and therefore he did not vote for the sale.

**E. Mayor Quill** brought up the matter of tipping fees for the City Landfill that was discussed at the November 25, 2014 Council meeting. He stated that he thought the Council should give the City Manager and appropriate staff the ability to negotiate high volume contracts at lower tipping rates with private haulers. He asked Council to think about this matter for future Council discussion at future Council meetings.

**F. Councilor Ruzicka** stated that he wanted the staff to provide the Council with the cost to the City of taking in a ton of municipal solid waste, as well as, all other categories brought in at the City Landfill. He stated he would need such information for making future decisions on the matter.

**G. Executive Session** – Councilor McCormick made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Camardo. Council voted to enter an executive session regarding the following matters:

1. A matter pertaining to the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion,

discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation; (NYS Public Officers Law, Article 7 §105.1)

The motion to enter executive session carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. The Council entered Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on December 5, 2014 by:

Charles Mason City Clerk

On December 11, 2014 a motion to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2014 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Cuddy.

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

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 4th day of December, 2014 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: December 5, 2014

**Chuck Mason, City Clerk** 

**Memorial City Hall** 

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# **AUBURN CITY COUNCIL**

# SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD DECEMBER 10, 2014

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the Auburn City Council is scheduled for Wednesday December 10, 2014 at 5:30PM to be held in City Council Chambers, Memorial City Hall 24 South St. Auburn, NY.

This Special Meeting is for the purpose of the members of the City Council to attend a mandatory workplace safety training seminar. No other business is scheduled for this meeting.