

**Auburn City Council  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, December 23, 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 6:05PM 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 Camardo, Cuddy, and Ruzicka were all present. Councilor McCormick was excused.

**The following City Staff was present:**

- City Manager, Doug Selby
- Corporation Counsel, John Rossi
- City Clerk, Charles Mason
- City Comptroller, Laura Wills

**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.

**4. Public Announcements** –

The Clerk read the following:

A. The regular meeting of the Auburn City Council that was scheduled for January 1, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. has been cancelled. The first regular meeting of the Auburn City Council of the new year will be held on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

B. 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 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
- 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 2<sup>nd</sup>.

C. The new edition of the STREAMLINE Calendar for the months of January through June of 2015 has been mailed to residents in the City. Additional copies of the calendar may be picked up at City Landfill office or at the City Clerk's office at City Hall. The PDF of the calendar is available on the Streamline page of the City website [www.AuburnNY.gov/Streamline](http://www.AuburnNY.gov/Streamline)

#### **5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations-**

The City Manager recognized and thanked City employees that reached 25 years of service to the City. Each of the individuals will have their names added to the plaque in the lobby of Memorial City Hall which recognizes the achievement. The list of employees that reached 25 years of service during 2014 is:

Andrew Humphrey - Department of Public Works

Robert Mitchell - Department of Public Works

Gregory Dann - Police Department

Donald Gosline - Police Department

Richard Liccione - Fire Department

Lottie Mach - Crossing Guard

**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:

#### **County Legislator Tim Lattimore, 63 South Street, Apt. #8**

Legislator Lattimore spoke to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He stated that he thinks it is a good thing that the Council is looking at a 2016-2020 financial plan and that pension and health insurance costs are rising, especially concerning health insurance costs he has been talking with the consortium which consists of the college, the County, and soil and water to extend it so that we can get a lower rate on our base cost and go from there.

#### **Ron Quill, 5 Case Avenue**

Mr. Quill spoke in his capacity as Chair of the Board for the local Salvation Army. He stated that the Salvation Army very much appreciates the work of community with support of the holiday programs which help support Salvation Army efforts not only during the holidays but throughout the year.

#### **Alicia Procino, 50 Wilbur Avenue**

Ms. Procino spoke to remind everyone that demand at area food pantries increased this year and that the many different food pantries throughout the community need the support of the community.

#### **7. Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

##### **December 18, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.**

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

The motion to approve carried 4-0. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

**8. Reports of City Officials**

**A. City Manager's Report – None**

**B. Reports from members of Council - None**

**G. Executive Session** – Councilor Ruzicka 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 of discussion that would be considered confidential under attorney client privilege regarding potential litigation against the City. (Section 4503 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules which establishes that a confidential communication between attorney and client shall be privileged. Pursuant to this section, Council will be receiving legal advice from its attorney which fulfills the requirement provided in Section 108(3) of the Public Officers Law allowing this exemption.)
2. A matter pertaining to the potential sale of City owned property. (NYS Public Officers Law, Article 7 §105.1.h. the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof).

The motion to enter executive session carried 4-0. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. The Council entered Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

**Mayor Quill reconvened the public session at 6:31 p.m.**

**9. Matters to Come Before Council**

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

**B. Ordinances**

**Ordinance #14 of 2014 Amending Chapter 153, Electricians**

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

The motion carried 4-0. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

**C. Local Laws – None**

**D. Resolutions**

D1. Financial Resolution #181 of 2014 Amending the City of Auburn's Consolidated Fee Schedule to Include Fees Related to Chapter 153 of the Auburn City Code Entitled "Electricians"

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

The motion carried 4-0. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

D2. Resolution #182 of 2014 Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Power Purchase Agreement with NYSEG

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

The motion carried 4-0. Councilors Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

**E. Tabled Legislation - None**

**F. Staff/Vendor Presentations**

**F1. Budget Reports for November 2014.** The City Manager answered questions from the Council pertaining to the budget reports.

**F2. Five Year Financial Plan** – The City Manager introduced the City Comptroller Laura Wills who led a presentation to the Council on a financial plan for the City for the years 2016-2020.

**10. Other Business**

**A. Councilor Camardo** spoke to wish the Council and the public a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He stated that he discussed with the Manager that after the new year the topics of the budget, reorganization, and economic development be addressed by Council.

**B. Councilor Cuddy** spoke to share observations he had at the conclusion of the year. He stated that he believes it is an exciting time for Auburn and he listed many projects that have happened in the community this year. He stated that projects such as he listed would not be happening if people did not believe Auburn was worth investing in. He thanked those that have invested in the projects and he thanked City staff that participated in making these projects happen. He wished everyone a happy holiday season.

**C. Councilor Camardo** stated that the various projects that Councilor Cuddy listed are great accomplishments for the community. He stated that he hopes that after the first of the year the Council will join him to making sure that the City is right fitted so that these businesses can afford to stay and expand in the community.

**D. Mayor Quill** wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He thanked the City staff for everything they have done this past year. He reminded everyone that the next Council meeting would be Thursday, January 8, 2015.

**Adjournment:** By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on December 26, 2014 by:

Charles Mason  
City Clerk

On January 8, 2015 a motion to approve the minutes of the December 23, 2014 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Cuddy.

	Ayes	Noes
Councilor McCormick	abstain	
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 23rd day of December, 2014 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.*

*Charles Mason, City Clerk      Date: January 9, 2015*