

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 15, 2015 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
- Steve Selvek, Senior Planner

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 – None

5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations-

The City Clerk read a proclamation from the Office of Mayor Michael D. Quill naming January 19, 2015 as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day in the City of Auburn.

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. No members of the public spoke.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

January 8, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.

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

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 – None

B. Reports from members of Council - None

9. Matters to Come Before Council

A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR)

B. Ordinances – Ordinance #1 of 2015

Ordinance # 1 of 2015, Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Auburn – The City Clerk read the FIRST READING of this ordinance. It will appear on the January 22, 2015 Council agenda for a vote.

C. Local Laws – None

D. Resolutions - None

E. Tabled Legislation - None

F. Staff/Vendor Presentations

• **Economic Development by Andrew Fish, Executive Director of Cayuga Economic Development Agency.** Mr. Fish presented to the Council on Governor Cuomo's new initiative that will allow 7 different regions in the State to compete for \$1.5 billion in economic development funds that will be awarded to 3 of the regions at \$500 million per region. The program was announced by the Governor earlier in the day in Rochester, NY. The applications for the proposals will be due by July 1, 2015. Mayor Quill and all members of Council discussed the topic. It was stated by Mayor Quill that the City should be called upon by Mr. Fish for whatever assistance is needed during the compilation of the application.

• **Cayuga County Soil and Water Conservation District – by Doug Kierst, Executive Director.** Mr. Kierst provided an overview of the services provided by his department, especially as they pertain to the protection of Owasco Lake.

10. Other Business

A. Councilor McCormick spoke to discuss the meeting agendas and minutes that are posted on the City website. She stated that the buttons are on the agenda page for the City Council, Planning Board, Zoning Board, and Historic Resources review Board meeting agendas. All agendas but the Zoning Board appear on the page. She asked when we could expect to see the Zoning Board agendas. She stated this is a very useful page for the public.

B. Councilor Camardo spoke regarding a conversation he had with a member of the Auburn Municipal Power Agency Board (AMPA) and he asked if we could schedule AMPA to be on an upcoming Council agenda.

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

1. A matter pertaining to discussion of collective bargaining.
2. 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.)

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 7:43 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on January 16, 2015 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

On January 22, 2015 a motion to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2015 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Cuddy, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

| | Ayes | Noes |
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| Councilor McCormick | X | |
| Councilor Camardo | X | |
| Councilor Cuddy | X | |
| Councilor Ruzicka | X | |
| Mayor Quill | Absent | |
| 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 January, 2015 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: January 23, 2015