

**Auburn City Council  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, March 19, 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. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, and Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill were all present.

**The following City Staff was present:**

- City Manager, Doug Selby
- Corporation Counsel, John Rossi
- City Clerk, Charles Mason
- City Comptroller, Laura Wills
- Superintendent of Engineering, Bill Lupien
- Water Filtration Plant Operator, Anthony DeCaro
- Director of Municipal Utilities, Vicky Murphy

**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 City Clerk read the following announcements:

A. A. PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE AND NOTICE OF SEMI-ANNUAL INTERVIEW AND EXAM FOR ELECTRICAL LICENSE. Notice is hereby given that applications for electrical licenses must be filed in person at the April 8, 2015 City of Auburn Electric Board meeting to be held at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room at 24 South Street, Auburn, NY. The electrical license exam will then be held May 13, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at this same location. Applications can be obtained at the Code Enforcement Office in City Hall, 315.255.4110.

B. The next meeting of the City of Auburn Zoning Board of Appeals scheduled for Monday, March 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. has been cancelled. The Zoning Board of Appeals will next meet on April 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers at Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn.

C. The next meeting of the Auburn Industrial Development Authority will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce Building, 2 State Street in Auburn. (This meeting was rescheduled from March 18, 2015.)

**5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations**

**6. Public to be Heard** – Mayor Quill 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:**

**March 12, 2015, City Council meeting minutes.**

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

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

**8. Reports of City Officials**

**A. City Manager's Report**

- The Manager reported that he has been working on a project that will include work from a team of interns from the Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship. He plans to have the interns work on energy project analysis for the City or work on developing educational outreach tools for watershed protection education within the Owasco Lake Watershed.
- The Manager reported on some analysis received from the New York Conference of Mayors and Other Municipal Officials (NYCOM) regarding State budget proposals that have passed the NY State Assembly and Senate.

**B. Reports from members of Council**

- Councilor McCormick reported on news from the Owasco Watershed Management Council that a new Owasco Lake Watershed Inspector has been hired.
- Councilor Ruzicka discussed and read material related to Council Resolution #39 of 2009.

**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. Financial Resolution #27 of 2015 to transfer funds for a Building Maintenance Mechanic Position**

Motion to approve by Cuddy, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

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

**D2. Land Sale Resolution #28 of 2015 Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Deed for the Sale of 5 Frederick Street, Auburn, New York**

Motion to approve by Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka.

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

**D3. Council Resolution #29 for 2015 Approving the Advertising for Bids for the City Water Supply and Distribution System Project**

Motion to approve by Cuddy, seconded by Councilor Camardo.

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

**D4. Council Resolution #30 of 2015 Changing Regular Meeting Dates for Two Meetings of the City Council**

Motion to approve by Ruzicka, seconded by Councilor Camardo.

Councilor Camardo made a motion to amend. The motion to amend was to change the rescheduled date of the Council meeting for the fourth week of April 2015 from Wednesday, April 22, 2015 to Tuesday, April 21, 2015. Councilor Ruzicka seconded the motion.

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

The motion to approve the original motion as amended (Attachment A) carried 5-0. Mayor Quill and Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, and Ruzicka all voting aye.

**D5. Financial Resolution #31 of 2015 Transfer funds to purchase Fire Department Vehicles**

Motion to approve by Cuddy, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

The Council discussed. It was decided by consent of the Councilors that a report be brought back to Council, for review at a future Council work session meeting, on the use of the budgeted 2015 General Fund Debt Stabilization Reserve and the equipment needs of the City as identified in the 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Plan adopted by Council on September 18, 2014.

Councilor Cuddy made a motion to table, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

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

**E. Tabled Legislation - None**

**F. Staff/Vendor Presentations –**

**10. Other Business**

A. Mayor Quill reported that registration forms for the April 23, 2014 training at the Cayuga County Emergency Management Services Office were available for Councilors.

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

1. Discussion on two matters made confidential by Federal or State law. (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 6:58 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 March 20, 2015 by:

Charles Mason  
City Clerk

On March 26, 2015 a motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2015 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Cuddy, 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 March, 2015 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.*

*Charles Mason, City Clerk      Date: March 20, 2015*

**-ATTACHMENT A-  
COUNCIL RESOLUTION #30 of 2015  
CHANGING REGULAR MEETING DATES FOR TWO MEETINGS  
OF THE AUBURN CITY COUNCIL**

By Councilor Ruzicka

March 19, 2015

**WHEREAS**, the rules of the Auburn City Council and City Charter require that the Auburn City Council hold its regular meetings on Thursdays; and

**WHEREAS**, a meeting scheduled for the first Thursday in April will fall on April 2, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Auburn will observe Friday, April 3, 2015 as Good Friday and Good Friday is officially recognized as a holiday by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, many members of the Auburn community will observe Thursday, April 2, 2015 as Holy Thursday; and

**WHEREAS**, a meeting scheduled for the fourth Thursday in April will fall on April 23, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of City Council of the City of Auburn have been invited to attend an Emergency Services Training for Elected Officials to be held at the Cayuga County Emergency Management Services Office, 160 Genesee Street in Auburn on Thursday, April 23, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the Auburn City Council have expressed a desire to attend the Cayuga County Emergency Services Training for Elected Officials on Thursday, April 23, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the Auburn City Council desires to reschedule the meeting for the first week in April of 2015 from Thursday, April 2, 2015 to Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., and the Auburn City Council desires to reschedule the meeting for the fourth week in April of 2015 from Thursday, April 23, 2015 to ~~Wednesday, April 22, 2015~~ Tuesday, April 21, 2015\* at 6:00 p.m. said meetings to take place in Council Chambers, Memorial City Hall, 24 South St. in Auburn.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that

1. the Auburn City Council does hereby change the dates of the Auburn City Council meetings as outlined above and that all other regular City Council meetings shall be on Thursday of each week unless modified by subsequent Council resolution, and

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2. the Auburn City Council does hereby amend its Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget Preparation Calendar to accommodate these meeting changes, and

3. the City Clerk is hereby requested to notify the public of the changes in the meeting dates as set forth herein.

Seconded by Councilor Camardo

\*Motion to amend Council Resolution #30 of 2015 by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion to amend included changing the date of the regular Council meeting of the fourth week of April 2015 from Thursday, April 23, 2015 to Tuesday, April 21, 2015, rather than Wednesday, April 22, 2015.

Motion to Amend:

|                     | Ayes | Noes |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Councilor McCormick | X    |      |
| Councilor Camardo   | X    |      |
| Councilor Cuddy     | X    |      |
| Councilor Ruzicka   | X    |      |
| Mayor Quill         | X    |      |
| Carried and Adopted | X    |      |

Motion to approve as amended:

|                     | 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 vote for Council Resolution #30 of 2015 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 March, 2015 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.*



*Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: March 20, 2015*