

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 4, 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, 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 Public Works, Mike Talbot
- Superintendent of Engineering, William Lupien
- Director of Planning and Economic Development, Jennifer Haines
- Police Chief, Brian Neagle
- Assistant Fire Chief, Scott Dejoy

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

A. The next meeting of the City of Auburn Civil Service Commission will be held on Monday, June 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers at Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn.

B. The next meeting of the City of Auburn Historic Resources Review Board has been cancelled. Their next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m..

C. The Cayuga County Office of Solid Waste is sponsoring a Tire Roundup to RECYCLE RESIDENTIAL TIRES!

Date, Time, Place:

June 13, 2015

Natural Resource Center, 7413 County House Road, Auburn (next to County Jail)

Hours: 8:30 am until Noon

Must be a Cayuga County Resident or Landowner to drop off tires. NO BUSINESSES.

Cost: \$1.50 per tire up to 30 inch height (outside diameter); \$5.00 per tire 31 to 36 inch height (outside diameter).

Tires on rims are okay; NO tractor tires; NO solid rubber tires; NO excessive dirt, mud or stones; NO inner tubes.

5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations – None

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. The following citizen spoke:

Norm Davis, 98 N. Division Street

Mr. Davis spoke to ask the Council to keep the Police Department, the Codes Department, and the Public Works Department in mind when voting on the City Budget.

Tim Lattimore, 63 South Street

Mr. Lattimore is the County Legislator for District 13. He spoke to discuss D-Day and that the County used to have a service to recognize the day at the monument in front of the County Office Building. He also stated that the Federal government is looking into a memorial in Washington D. C. for President Eisenhower. He also stated that he hoped there would be support for Councilor Camardo's budget proposals.

Ron Quill, 5 Case Avenue

Mr. Quill spoke to announce that on Sunday, June 7, 2015 the annual picnic would be held at St. Peter and Paul's church on Washington Street and Perrine Street in Auburn.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

May 28, 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 City received some good news about our City. A new study from a consumer advocacy website named 'NerdWallet' has identified the best small cities in the U.S., and out of more than 1,300 places Auburn ranked 14th. To identify the best small cities the group crunched U.S. Census data to assess three key factors:
 - Affordability
 - Economic health
 - Quality of life

B. Reports from members of Council

- Councilor McCormick reported that on June 4, 2015 she attended the graduation ceremony for participants in the Leadership Cayuga program she congratulated all of the participants for their successful completion of the program.

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 #64 of 2015 Approving Salary Increases for Auburn Housing Authority

Motion to approve by Councilor 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. Award Resolution #65 of 2015 Awarding a Contract to Beken Contracting LLC for the Electrical Contracting Portion of the Water Treatment Plant and Lower Pump Station Improvements Project

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

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

D3. Agreement #66 of 2015 to Provide Payment to CRA Infrastructure and Engineering Inc. for Construction Inspection Services

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

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

D4. Budget Resolution #67 of 2015 - Adoption of the 2015 - 2016 City of Auburn Consolidated Fee Schedule

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

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

D5. Budget Resolution #68 of 2015 - Adoption of the 2015-2016 City of Auburn Budget

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

Amendment #1. Councilor Camardo made a motion to amend the resolution to add \$99,200.00 to the General Fund budget for the addition of two police officers, the motion to amend was seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion to amend did not carry 2-3. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting aye, Mayor Quill and Councilors McCormick and Cuddy voting no.

Amendment #2. Councilor Camardo made a motion to amend the resolution to reduce the total dollar amount to be raised by property taxes by 2.8%, the motion to amend was seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The motion to amend did not carry 2-3. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting aye, Mayor Quill and Councilors McCormick and Cuddy voting no.

Following Council discussion Councilor McCormick called the question. The original motion to approve carried 3-2. Mayor Quill and Councilors McCormick and Cuddy all voting aye. Councilors Camardo and Ruzicka voting no.

E. Tabled Legislation - None

F. Staff/Vendor Presentations – None

10. Other Business

A. Councilor Ruzicka discussed the 2015-2016 City Budget.

B. Councilor Camardo asked how the City was progressing with pothole patching and when the special road crew the City Manager had previously discussed would be starting. The City Manager responded that crews have been working on patching the potholes and that residents can report potholes to the City via the City website or calling the Department of Public Works. Councilor Camardo then asked if a schedule had been developed for the City Street Sweeper and if that schedule could be publicized. Mayor Quill also stated it would be good if such a schedule could be added to the City website.

C. Councilor Ruzicka stated that is important to have the City street sweeper in operation especially after heavy rains such as the rain events we have recently experienced, so that storm drains remain clear.

D. Councilor Cuddy discussed the City vision and mission statements and asked the City Manager to make efforts to incorporate these statements into the customer service philosophy of the City organization.

E. Mayor Quill thanked the City Manager, Comptroller, and City Clerk for making sure that the 2015-2016 City Budget documents were posted to the City website. He stated he hopes the City will continue these transparency efforts in all future budget processes.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Auburn City Council Minutes June 4, 2015

Minutes submitted to the City Council on June 5, 2015 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

On June 11, 2015 a motion to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2015 City Council meeting was made by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Camardo.

	Ayes	Noes
Councilor McCormick	x	
Councilor Camardo	x	
Councilor Cuddy	absent	
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 5th day of June, 2015 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: June 12, 2015