

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 25, 2015 4:00PM
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 4:00PM 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, William Lupien
- Superintendent of Public Works, Mike Talbot

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. The City of Auburn Parks and Recreation Department has announced the Summer of 2015 Concert and Movie schedule. The first summer concert of the season will be held on Thursday, July 2, 2015 beginning at 6:30 p.m. with music by artist Jamie Notarthomas at the Market Street Park in Downtown Auburn.

B. The City of Auburn Parks and Recreation Department has announced the Casey Park Pool will open for the season on June 27, 2015. Registration for summer swim classes is now open and registration may be made by calling the Auburn YMCA at 315- 253-5304.

C. The Auburn Doubledays baseball season is underway and single ticket purchases for all homegames are now on sale at the Doubledays box office at Falcon Park on N. Division Street in Auburn. Also, new this year general admission tickets for Doubledays homegames are available for purchase during business hours at the City Clerk's office on the First Floor of Memorial City Hall.

The Doubledays are scheduled to play the following games at Falcon park over the next week:

June 26, 2015, Friday @ 7:05 p.m. vs West Virginia Black Bears

June 27, 2015, Saturday @ 7:05 p.m. vs West Virginia Black Bears

June 28, 2015, Sunday @5:05 p.m. vs Brooklyn Cyclones

June 29, 2015, Monday @ 7:05p.m. vs Brooklyn Cyclones

June 30, 2015, Tuesday @7:05 p.m. vs Brooklyn Cyclones

Our hometown Auburn Doubledays are the NY-Penn League Short Season Single-A affiliate of the Washington Nationals Major League Baseball team. The complete Doubledays baseball schedule can be found at their web site at www.AuburnDoubledays.com

D. From the Office of Mayor Michael D. Quill on Friday, July 3, 2015 as part of the community First Friday events, we will be hosting an Open House of the South Lawn at Memorial City Hall to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War. The South Lawn is where our community's Civil War Memorial is located. The memorial was dedicated on July 3, 1988 which was the 125th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. The open house will be from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. and we are planning a ceremony for 5:30 p.m. featuring guest speaker Mitch Maniccia from the Seward House.

5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations – The City Clerk read a proclamation from the Office of Mayor Michael D. Quill naming June 26, 2015 as Americans With Disabilities Act Day in the City of Auburn, New York.

6. Public to be Heard – Councilor McCormick 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:

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Motion to approve by Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

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

8. Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report

- The Manager reported that the request for proposals for the public safety building have been issued and that there will be an informational meeting for interested individuals scheduled in the near future.

B. Reports from members of Council

- Councilor McCormick reported that as a follow up to the October 29, 2014 Public Forum on manure runoff procedures within the Owasco Lake Watershed, a recommendation report is now available at: <http://www.cayugacounty.us/Portals/0/planning/WQMA/Documents/RecommendationReport.pdf> The public is invited to comment on the 15 recommendations and provide additional input on Thursday, June 25th from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Cayuga Onondaga BOCES, 1879 West Genesee Street Road, Auburn, NY. She discussed a letter addressed to her from resident Walt Aikman which he asked to be shared with the Council. The letter discussed a proposal to set up a method where residents could decide to voluntarily

contribute funds to watershed protection efforts via their water bills. Such funds collected would be put towards watershed protection efforts. A copy of Dr. Aikman's letter was provided to each member of Council.

9. Matters to Come Before Council

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

B. Ordinances - None

C. Local Law

D. Resolutions

Mayor Quill announced that Resolution 82 of 2015 was being added to the agenda due to an emergency repair needed with a sewer line. No members of Council opposed entertaining a vote on the resolution.

D1. Financial Resolution #82 of 2015 Authorization to Transfer Contingency Funds to Sanitary Sewers for Sewer Repair Work

By Councilor McCormick

WHEREAS, there is a plugged 36 inch city storm drain pipe that runs under the floor of a manufacturing building in the City's Technology Park; and

WHEREAS, attempts to clear the blockage were unsuccessful and the line appears to have failed and there are concerns that the floor of the building may collapse as a result of a potential void caused by the blockage which requires that the City needs to take immediate action to remedy the situation; and

WHEREAS, the City forces will be used to reroute the 36 inch storm drain and the additional cost of the pipe material will be approximately \$5,700.00 and the cost to fill the void underneath the building is unknown but estimated to cost as much as \$14,000.00 depending on the size of the void and technique used to fill it; and

WHEREAS, there are no operating funds remaining to pay for a repair of this magnitude and therefore the funds must be transferred from the sewer contingency account to the sanitary sewer operating and services accounts.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Auburn, New York hereby authorizes a budget transfer of \$5,700.00 from the Sewer Contingency Fund Account #G1990.455 to the Sanitary Sewers Operating Supplies Account #G8120.412 and an amount not to exceed \$14,000.00 from the Sewer Contingency Fund Account #G1990.455 to the Sanitary Sewers Services Account #G8120.440.

Seconded by Councilor Ruzicka

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

E. Tabled Legislation - None

F. Staff/Vendor Presentations

F1. Report on the Landfill Operations by Superintendent of Public Works Mike Talbot and Comptroller Laura Wills. Following the staff presentation the Council discussed the operation of the landfill and curbside refuse collection.

F2. Monthly Budget Report for May 2015, the City Manager discussed.

10. Other Business

A. Councilor Ruzicka discussed issues brought to his attention by residents of Walnut Street and Lake Avenue. He also discussed information he prepared about the City tax levy. Superintendent of Engineering spoke to address the Walnut Street Bridge replacement timeline. The City Manager stated that he has been in communication with the resident on Lake Avenue.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on June 26, 2015 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

On July 2, 2015 a motion to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2015 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor , seconded by Councilor .

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

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 25th day of June, 2015 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: