

**Auburn City Council  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, August 20, 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
- Superintendent of Engineering, William Lupien
- Director of Planning and Economic Development, Jennifer Haines

**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 next meeting of the Auburn Industrial Development Authority will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 5:00pm at 2 State Street in Downtown Auburn.

B. Public Meeting Notice: There will be a public meeting on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 from 3pm-7pm to be held at Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn, NY. The meeting will be to discuss preliminary design for the upcoming 2016 repaving of the western most 1.7 miles of Genesee Street in the City, between State Route 34 and the western City line. Information about this project will be presented at 3pm at this meeting; the remainder of the meeting will be an open house with City staff and project engineers.

C. The City of Auburn Parks and Recreation Department has announced upcoming summer of 2015 Concert and Movies, all shows begin at 6:30 p.m.:

- Tuesday, August 25th at Hoopes Park, the band Diana Jacobs Band followed by the movie: Night at the Museum- Secret of the Tomb
- Thursday, August 27th at Market Street Park, the Lock 52 Jazz Band

D. There are only 2 weeks of games remaining of the Auburn Doubledays baseball season and single ticket purchases for all home games are now on sale at the Doubledays box office at Falcon Park on N. Division Street in Auburn.

- Saturday, August 22nd beginning at 7:05 p.m. a doubleheader vs. the Williamsport Crosscutters
- Sunday, August 23rd, beginning at 5:05 p.m. vs. the Williamsport Crosscutters
- Monday, August 24th, beginning at 7:05 p.m. vs. the Mahoning Valley Scrappers
- Tuesday, August 25th, beginning at 7:05 p.m. vs. the Mahoning Valley Scrappers
- Wednesday, August 26th, beginning at 7:05 p.m. vs. the Mahoning Valley Scrappers

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](http://www.AuburnDoubledays.com)

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

### **A. Proclamation naming Bill Carey Day - August 20, 2015**

The City Clerk read the proclamation. Following the reading Mayor Quill presented a copy of the proclamation to Mr. Carey's wife and family members. Mrs. Snee spoke and thanked the Mayor, Council and community.

### **B. Proclamation naming Women's Equality Day - August 26, 2015**

The City Clerk read the proclamation. Following the reading Mayor Quill presented a copy of the proclamation to Laurel Ulyette, President of the Harriet Tubman Boosters Club. Ms. Ulyette thanked the Mayor and the Council and announced that there would be a town meeting held at Memorial City Hall on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 6:00pm to discuss the topic of lobbying the Federal government to put the picture of a woman on the United States currency, in particular, Harriet Tubman on the \$20.00 bill.

### **C. Proclamation for Highland Golf Course 90th Anniversary**

The City Clerk read the proclamation. Following the reading Mayor Quill presented a copy of the proclamation to Highland Golf Course Board members who addressed the Council.

### **D. Proclamation naming Joe Salzone Day, August 21, 2015**

The City Clerk read the proclamation. Following the reading Mayor Quill presented a copy of the proclamation to Mr. Salzone who addressed the Council. Mr. Salzone thanked the community for the support he received during his nearly three years living and working in Auburn.

**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.

### **Father Joseph Osei Bonsu, Guana**

Father Joseph spoke to thank the Council for having received a key to the City just prior to leaving Auburn in September of 2013. He has returned to visit Auburn and wanted to thank the mayor and City Council members again. He presented the Council with calendars.

### **Tim Lattimore, 63 South Street, Vice Chairman**

Mr. Lattimore is the County Legislator representing District 13. He spoke to mention the Bill Carey Day proclamation and that it was a nice thing to happen for the family. He mentioned that

he himself was a journalism student at West Virginia University. He had just taken a trip to Atlanta Georgia and he thanked Councilor Camardo for picking him up at the Albany, NY airport.

**Jimmy Giannettino, 10 Alden Avenue**

Mr. Giannettino spoke as a member of the Board of Directors for the Cayuga Museum and Case Research lab to announce an event they are holding on Saturday, August 22, 2015 beginning at 2:00pm at the Cayuga Museum. The event "Food Trucks for History" will feature food and live music and will raise funds for the museum. He also recognized the museum Director Eileen McHugh and museum curator Kirsten Wise for their work at the museum.

**7. Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

August 13, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve by McCormick, seconded by Councilor Camardo.

The motion to approve the minutes of August 13, 2015 carried 4-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Ruzicka and Mayor Quill all voting aye. Councilor Cuddy abstained.

**8. Reports of City Officials**

**A. City Manager's Report**

- The City has received notice that since the City obtained ownership of the Cogen facility within the 5 year recapture period the City is being requested by Auburn Energy LLC (former owners of the Cogen Facility) to release the escrowed funds in the amount of \$316,716.40 to them for the repayment to the US Department of Treasury. The City has been aware this payment would be coming and has had the money in savings. The City is currently working with Senator Gillibrand and Senator Schumer's office to ask the U.S. Department of Treasury to waive the penalty. If the penalty could be waived the money could go into the power utility fund to be used toward the City's energy project needs.
- The City has learned more information on the Clean Renewable Energy Bond (CREBS) financing that it was approved for. A preliminary estimate shows the City will save at least \$3 million in interest expense over a 20 year period on this reduced financing.

**B. Reports from members of Council**

- Mayor Quill reported that earlier in the day he attended a meeting regarding the N. Division Street Dam project and that the City staff in attendance really demonstrated to be well informed of the details of the project.

**9. Matters to Come Before Council**

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

**B. Ordinances**

**B1. Ordinance #5 of 2015 Amending Chapter 221 of the Auburn City Code Entitled Peddling and Soliciting**

Motion to approve by Ruzicka, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

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

**B2. Ordinance #6 of 2015 Amending Chapter 268 of the Auburn City Code Regulating Taxicabs**

Motion to approve by Ruzicka, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

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

**C. Local Law - None**

**D. Resolutions**

**D1. Council Resolution #100 of 2015 Authorizing a Public Hearing for Local Law #1 of 2015 to Establish a Sustainable Energy Loan Program in the City of Auburn**

Mayor Quill announced that this resolution had been pulled from the agenda.

**D2. Council Resolution #101 of 2015 Authorizing a Public Hearing Regarding the Installation of CDBG Funded Sidewalks**

Motion to approve by McCormick, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka.

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

**E. Tabled Legislation - None**

**F. Staff/Vendor Presentations**

**Kalet Building (1-7 State Street) Discussion** – the Manager discussed the memo he had provided to the council on the topic. The Council discussed. Following discussion the Council decided to proceed with the Manager's recommendation to request public input from the community for desirable uses of the property and then solicit proposals for development of the property from interested developers. Councilor Camardo brought up having a similar discussion for the Dunn and McCarthy site on Washington Street and the Mayor asked that the manager work on this as well, but as a separate issue.

**10. Other Business - None**

**Adjournment:** By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on August 21, 2015 by:

Charles Mason  
City Clerk

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On August 27, 2015 a motion to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2015 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Cuddy.

|                     | 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 20th day of August, 2015 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.*

*Charles Mason, City Clerk      Date: August 28, 2015*

Approved 8/27/2015