

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, August 6, 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
- Director of Capital Projects and Grants, Christina Selvek
- Superintendent of Engineering, William Lupien

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. Cayuga County residents and businesses are able to take advantage of a discount on solar panels installed on their properties through the new Solarize Cayuga initiative. Solarize Cayuga is part of a larger Solarize CNY program being administered by the Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board in conjunction with local community volunteers in five upstate counties: Cayuga, Cortland, Madison, Onondaga and Oswego. Solarize Cayuga is completely community-based and run by volunteers interested in expanding solar power in our county.

Solarize Cayuga is able to achieve significant cost savings by encouraging many people to install solar panels at the same time. The solar companies benefit from the economies of scale associated with having many customers in a community installing solar, so the companies are able to offer a reduced price on the solar panel installations.

Solarize Cayuga streamlines the process for potential solar customers by educating them about the details of solar panels, selecting reputable solar installation companies through a competitive process to ensure they meet established criteria, and informing customers of potential financing options as well as available state and federal financial incentives.

The Solarize Cayuga program, which begins in July 2015, is offering a series of free community workshops throughout Cayuga County, where interested property owners can learn how solar photovoltaic (PV) energy systems work, what the solar power potential is in our region, how the Solarize program works, and what solar incentives and financing options currently exist to make PV systems even more affordable. Solarize Cayuga program attendees will also be introduced to the two program-approved solar contractors. Interested parties are encouraged to sign up to receive a free, no-obligation site assessment to determine the suitability of their property for solar panels. If their site proves suitable for solar power, they will be able to purchase a solar installation at substantial cost savings from a Solarize Cayuga program-approved installer. The Solarize Cayuga program has a limited time enrollment period, ending October 31st.

The next Solarize Workshop will be held this coming Tuesday, August 11th at 6:00pm in the Bisgrove Theater at Cayuga Community College on Franklin Street.

Three other workshops will be held in the upcoming weeks at BOCES, Cato-Meridian Central School, and Moravia Central School. Follow Solarize Cayuga on Facebook or visit www.SolarizeCNY.org for more information.

B. 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.:

- Friday, Aug 7th at Hoopes Park, 7:30pm Merry-Go-Round Children's Theater – Once Upon a Wolf.
- Tuesday, Aug 11th at Hoopes Park, music by The Shazbot, followed by the Movie: Dolphin Tale 2.
- Wednesday, Aug 12th at Hoopes Park, music by The Honky Tonk Hindooz.
- Thursday, Aug 13th at Market Street Park is the band Quickchange.

C. The Auburn Doubledays baseball season is well 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.

- Friday, August 7th beginning at 7:05 p.m. vs. the Williamsport Crosscutters
- Saturday, August 8th, beginning at 7:05 p.m. vs. the Williamsport Crosscutters

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. August 7-9, 2015 is Founder's Day and Great Race Weekend in Auburn with lots of events planned. Complete Founders Day information is listed on the City's webpage AuburnNY.gov.

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.

Ron Quill, 5 Case Avenue

Mr. Quill spoke in his capacity as a representative from the Salvation Army's Board of Directors to remind everyone that area food pantries need assistance in the summer months just as much as the winter months. Children are home in the summer which leads to higher demand at local food

pantries.

Tim Lattimore, 63 South Street

Mr. Lattimore spoke about the event at Hoopes park and stated he thought events could also be held at Falcon Park.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Quill announced that July 30, 2015 Meeting Minutes will be voted on at the August 13th Council meeting.

8. Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report

- Pedestrian Crossing Signs have been posted and the repainting of the crosswalks have begun at the intersection of Genesee Street and James Streets.
- The City 2015 Road Improvement program has begun this week and all work in this year's program will be completed by the end of fall.
- The City has issued an RFP for the exterior painting of the Memorial City Hall building.
- The State DOT has completed paving a section of North Street. The City will be working to finish painting of crosswalks in the area.
- Councilor Camardo asked about the elevator and other work at City Hall. The Manager reported that the work is anticipated to be done beginning in November and that there would be a temporary ramp installed in front of Memorial City Hall while the work is being done.

B. Reports from members of Council

- Councilor McCormick reported that she is working with representatives from the Harriet Tubman Boosters to coordinate a town hall style meeting to be held at Memorial City Hall on Wednesday, August 26, 2015. The topic of the meeting will be to have a discussion about supporting putting a woman on the United States currency. August 26th is also Women's Equality Day.
- Mayor Quill reported that last week he attended the annual summer meeting of the New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal that he is a member of the Board of Governors.
- Mayor Quill recognized and thanked everyone that had a role in organizing and participating in the Pink in the Park event at Hoopes Park on Tuesday, August 4th. It was a great event that raised a significant amount of money for the Central New York Carol Baldwin Foundation for Cancer Research.

9. Matters to Come Before Council

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

B. Ordinances - None

C. Local Law - None

D. Resolutions

D1. Financial Resolution #96 of 2015 Accepting Funding from the Federal Corporation for National and Community Service for the FY 2015/2016 RSVP Program

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

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

D2. Council Resolution #97 of 2015 Authorizing the Lease of Ten Parking Spaces to Wegmans

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

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

D3. Council Resolution #98 of 2015 Adopting a Complete Streets Policy

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.

D4. Award Resolution #99 of 2015 Revolving Loan Sidewalk Program

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.

E. Tabled Legislation - None

F. Staff/Vendor Presentations – None

10. Other Business

A. Councilor Camardo asked if the Council would be receiving a report on the status of all projects in which money has been bonded for to pay for those projects. He also asked when the Council may receive a report or presentation on economic development programs and grants that are available for people interested in starting a business.

B. Councilor Ruzicka asked about the building that had fallen at the corner of N. Division Street and Wall Street. He asked if it was going to be demolished and removed. The Manager provided an update that the City is moving forward on trying to clean the site and that likely CDBG funds would be used for the expense. The building is not owned by the City but the City has identified it as a public safety hazard.

C. **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. Two separate items pertaining to the employment history or appointment of a particular individual.

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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 6:48 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on August 7, 2015 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

On August 13, 2015 a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2015 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

	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 6th day of August, 2015 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk

Date: August 14, 2015