Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 2, 2016 6:00 P.M.
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, Giannettino, Cuddy, Carabajal, and Mayor Quill were all present.

# The following City Staff was present for the regular meeting:

- Interim City Manager, Jeff Dygert
- Corporation Counsel, John Rossi
- City Clerk, Charles Mason
- Acting Assistant City Manager, Jennifer Haines
- Comptroller, Laura Wills
- Director of Grants and Capital Projects, Christina Selvek
- 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. Opening night for the Auburn Doubledays is Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.
- B. The first City of Auburn and Downtown Business Improvement District sponsored Music on the Mall to be held downtown on State Street is Friday, June 10, 2016 from 7pm-10pm.
- C. Mark your calendars for the upcoming Downtown Auburn Sizzlin' Summer Kick-off party to be held on Exchange Street on Saturday, June 25, 2016 from 4pm-9pm. This event is sponsored by the City, BID and IGNITE.
- 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.

Norm Davis, 98 N. Division Street

Mr. Davis spoke to state he believes it would be a positive step for the City to install a statue of Harriet Tubman somewhere in the City.

Alicia Procino, Wilbur Avenue

Ms. Procino discussed issues pertaining to property at the corner of Fleming Street and Pulsifer Drive.

# 7. Approval of Meeting Minutes –

# May 19, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the May 19, 2016 minutes by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Giannettino.

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

# 8. Reports of City Officials

### A. City Manager's Report,

- Work continues at the lower pump station of the City's Water Filtration Plant part of a \$3.4 million upgrade to the system.
- Various work scheduled for the N. Division Street Hydroelectric Facility and the Mill Street Hydroelectric facility will be going out to bid in the next week.

## **B.** Reports from members of Council

- Councilor Carabajal discussed a recent trip she made to the Genesee Street Elementary School's No Excuses University. The students asked her to thank the other members of Council for support of City parks and playgrounds.
- Councilor McCormick discussed the many events that happened downtown over the Memorial Day weekend and she thanked the City staff for all of their work to make all events run smoothly.

#### 9. Matters to Come Before Council

## A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR)

# SEQRA Resolution #71 of 2016 Determining that Proposed Actions are Type II Actions for the Purposes of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act

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

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

## B. Ordinances -

Bond Ordinance #7 of 2016 Authorizing the Issuance of \$550,000 Serial Bonds to Finance the Cost of the Reconstruction of the Mill Street Hydroelectric Site

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

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

#### C. Local Laws - None

#### **D.** Resolutions

D1. Budget Resolution #72 of 2016 Adoption of a 2016-2017 City of Auburn Consolidated Fee Schedule

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

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

D2. Budget Resolution #73 of 2016 Adoption of the 2016-2017 City of Auburn Budget Motion to approve by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Giannettino. The motion to approve carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Giannettino, Cuddy, Carabajal and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

D3. Appointment Resolution #74 of 2016 Appointing a Member of the Civil Service Commission

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

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

D4. Financial Resolution #75 of 2016 Authorizing the Auburn Police Department to Utilize the Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Funds

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

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

D5. Council Resolution #76 of 2016 Authorizing the City of Auburn to Apply for a NYS DEC Sewage Pollution Right To Know CSO Grant

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

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

D6. Council Resolution #77 of 2016 Authorizing Change Order #1 to Blue Heron Construction Company for the Waste Water Treatment Solid Handling Facility Project

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

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

D7. Council Resolution #78 of 2016 Authorizing the City of Auburn to Apply for NYS Water Infrastructure Act Grant Funding

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

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

D8. Council Resolution #79 of 2016 Authorizing Changes to the City Council Meeting Calendar During the Summer Months

Motion to approve by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Giannettino. The motion to approve carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Giannettino, Cuddy, Carabajal and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

D9. Council Resolution #80 of 2016 Authorizing the City Treasurer to Purchase Outstanding Tax Liens.

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

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

#### F. Staff/Vendor Presentations - None

#### 10. Other Business

- **A.** Councilor Cuddy discussed recent matters he has heard happening within the Owasco lake Watershed. He also suggested the Council prepare to have a goal setting session following the appointment of a new City Manager.
- B. Councilor Giannettino discussed the condition of yards throughout the City in abandoned properties. In particular he asked City staff to follow up on conditions at the former Tim Horton's Coffee on Grant Avenue and the former Walgreens on Genesee Street.
- **B. Executive Session.** Councilor McCormick made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Giannettino. Council voted to enter an executive session regarding the following matters:
- 1. Discussion on two matters pertaining to the employment history of particular individuals. (NYS "The Open Meeting Law", Article 7, Section 105-f)
- 2. Discussion on one matter that is 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 priviledged. 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.)
- 3. Discussion on matters pertaining to the potential appointment of a particular individual to the position of City Manager. (NYS "The Open Meeting Law", Article 7, Section 105-f) The motion to enter executive session carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Giannettino, Cuddy, Carabajal, and Mayor Quill all voting aye. The Council entered Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

**Adjournment:** By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on June 10, 2016 by:

Charles Mason City Clerk

On June 16, 2016 a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2016 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Giannettino.

	Ayes	Noes
Councilor McCormick	X	
Councilor Giannettino	X	
Councilor Cuddy	X	
Councilor Carabajal	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 2nd day of June, 2016 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: June 17, 2016