Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 13, 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
- Deputy City Clerk, Coleen LaMay
- City Comptroller, Laura Wills
- Acting Assistant City Manager, Jennifer Haines
- Superintendent of Engineering, William Lupien
- Director of Municipal Utilities, Seth Jensen
- Director of Capital Improvement Program and Grants, 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 weekly announcements.

5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations –

Mayor Quill administered the Oath of Office to Jeff Dygert for the position of City Manager. The City Manager Search Community Focus Group members were recognized for their service in the process of selecting the new City Manager. Focus Group members in attendance were Monika Salvage, Judith Bryant and Katie MacIntyre.

Mayor Quill called for a 10 minute recess.

6. Public to be Heard – Mayor Quill opened the Public to be Heard portion of the Council meeting and the Deputy Clerk read the Public to be Heard rules.

Richard Miller, Meadowbrook Drive

Mr. Miller spoke regarding issues pertaining to the water quality of Owasco Lake due to the algal blooms and toxins produced from those blooms in the lake.

Eric Sorenson, 36 Grant Street

Mr. Sorenson spoke regarding issues pertaining to the water quality of Owasco Lake due to algal blooms. He discussed concerns he had with communication as listed on the City and County websites, the water and sewer bills and the use of paper bags for curbside leaf collection.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes: None

8. Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report

- The City has received notice that it was awarded a zombie and vacant properties remediation and prevention grant in the amount of \$138,000.00 from the NYS LISC New York State Housing Stabilization Fund.
- The NYS DOT has announced there will be a public meeting regarding the reconstruction of Route 81 through Syracuse on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 7pm at the Skaneateles High School.

B. Reports from members of Council

- Members of Council discussed a training they had with the Auburn Fire Department.
- Councilor Giannettino discussed an evening he spent with an Auburn Police Officer on road patrol duty.

9. Matters to Come Before Council

- A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) None
- **B.** Ordinances None
- C. Local Laws None
- D. Resolutions None

F. Staff/Vendor Presentations

- F1. Doubleday's, LLC Presentation by Corporation Counsel John Rossi, Esq. The Corporation Counsel presented a history of how baseball came about in Auburn, NY and discussed alternatives the Council could consider moving forward with trying to maintain a team in the City.
- F2. Owasco Lake Watershed Presentation. Director of Municipal Utilities Seth Jenson introduced the topic and recognized members of the watershed inspection program committee. Andrew Snell and Tim Schneider, Owasco Lake Watershed Inspectors presented on the program. John West, City

Water Filtration Plant Operator and Bruce Natale, Cayuga County Environmental Engineer were also in attendance.

10. Other Business

Counilor Cuddy discussed a resolution he is proposing to have the Council vote on at the October 20, 2016 Council meeting. The resolution would request the Governor to develop, adopt and implement a Total Maximum Daily Load plan for Owasco Lake.

Mayor Quill discussed Council involvement with this year's United Way campaign.

Executive Session. Councilor McCormick made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Carabajal. Council voted to enter an executive session regarding the following matters:

- 1. Discussion on one matter made 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.)
- 2. Discussion on one matter pertaining to the sale, lease or acquisition of real property. (NYS "The Open Meeting Law", Article 7, Section 105-h)

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 8:52 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on October 26, 2016 by:

Charles Mason City Clerk On October 27, 2016 a motion to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2016 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Giannettino, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

	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 13th day of October, 2016 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: October 28, 2016