

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, November 29, 2018 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. Mayor Quill and Councilors McCormick, Giannettino, Cuddy and Carabajal were all present.

The following City Staff was present for the regular meeting:

- City Manager, Jeff Dygert
- Corporation Counsel, Stacy DeForrest
- City Clerk, Charles Mason
- Comptroller, Rachel Jacobs
- Deputy Police Chief, Roger Anthony
- Director of Municipal Utilities, Seth Jensen
- Director of Capital Projects 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 announcements which included a letter from City Court Judge Michael McKeon outlining the process the Council would need to undertake to appoint the next Associate City Court Judge due to a vacancy that will be created January 1, 2019 due to the election of current Associate Judge David Thurston to the full time City Court Judge position. (letter attached)

5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations – None

6. Public to be Heard – Councilor Cuddy opened the Public to be Heard portion of the Council meeting and the Clerk read the Public to be Heard rules. The following individuals spoke: Joe Sarnicola, Sharon Street. Mr. Sarnicola spoke to discuss recognition for Theodore Case an Auburnian who invented sound on film technology.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes

November 1, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the November 1, 2018 minutes by Councilor Giannettino, seconded by Councilor Cuddy. Motion to approve carried 5-0.

November 8, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the November 8, 2018 minutes by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Giannettino. Motion to approve carried 5-0.

8. Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report

- The Court St parking lot expansion is structurally complete and open. New lighting has been installed and a new kiosk should be operational sometime next week. The final layer of asphalt will be applied in the spring.
- The remaining sidewalk work around the parking garage near William St. should wrap up early next week. Once that work is complete we expect that Lincoln St. will reopen to two-way traffic.
- Work has been moving ahead at Sherwood Park. New playground equipment was installed this week and other work like new fencing and some tree trimming will happen throughout December. Finish work will wrap up in the Spring.
- We continue to receive inquiries about the bus stop shelter on Dill St. The structure was ordered many months ago but we have been dealing with delays from the manufacturer. We are expecting the new shelter mid-January.

B. Reports from members of Council

- Councilor Cuddy updated the Council on a meeting he attended with City staff and representatives of surrounding towns to discuss forthcoming sewer rates for towns.
- Councilor Giannettino provided the Council with an update on the most recent Historic & Cultural Sites Commission meeting that was held November 14, 2018; he also recognized the community effort to provide Thanksgiving dinner to those in need which was organized by the group Majorpalozza and the salvation Army; he praised the members of the Auburn Fire Department that organized a hockey tournament at Casey Park that raised money for the Muscular Distrophy Association; and, he discussed a New York Conference of Mayor's (NYCOM) meeting that he attended on November 19, 2018.

9. Matters to Come Before Council

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

B. Ordinances - None

C. Local Laws – None

D. Resolutions –

15. STAFF/VENDOR PRESENTATIONS

A. Summary of Financial Statements for the Year Ended June 30, 2018 by the City's independent auditing firm Insero & City Comptroller Rachel Jacobs.

B. CAFO Permit Informational Meeting and NYDEC HUB Update - Matthew Marko, Regional Director for the NYSDEC and Anthony Prestigiacomio, Research Scientist, NYSDEC FL Watershed Hub. Mr. Marko and Mr. Prestigiacomio provided an overview of many initiatives undertaken in the past two years by Governor Andrew Cuomo and the State of NY to address the harmful algal bloom crisis.

C. Nature Conservancy - Water Quality Speaker - Jo-Anne Humphreys, The Nature Conservancy. Ms. Humphreys spoke regarding best practices for watershed management. She has been hired through a grant from the Emerson Foundation to begin working in partnership with all involved with the protection of the Owasco Lake watershed.

D. Monthly Activity and Bar Graph Report for October 2018

F. Tabled Items – None

10. Other Business

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:

Six matters regarding pending litigation and two matters regarding the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

The motion to enter executive session carried 5-0. The Council entered Executive Session at 8:23 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on December 13, 2018 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

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On December 13, 2018 a motion to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2018 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 29th day of November, 2018 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: December 14, 2018