

**Auburn City Council
Business Meeting
Thursday, February 6, 2014 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 Michael Quill.

Roll Call – The City Clerk called the roll. Councilor 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
Fire Chief, Jeff Dygert
Senior Codes Enforcement Officer, Brian Hicks
Director of Planning, Jenny Haines

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag - Mayor Quill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Prayer or Reflection - Mayor Quill asked for a moment of silent prayer.

Public to be Heard –

1. Dan Herrling, 250 E. Genesee St. Auburn, NY

Mr. Herrling spoke in regards to the re-assessment of his property, as well as, thoughts he has pertaining to the City's Board of Assesment review. Mr. Herrling submitted a letter to the Council.

2. Ron Quill, 5 Case Ave. Auburn, NY

Mr. Quill spoke as Chair of the Board of the Salvation Army to remind everyone of the importance of supporting food pantries for those in need at this time of year.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A. December 23, 2013, City Council meeting minutes (amended).

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

The motion carried 3-0. Councilors Camardo, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

Councilors McCormick and Cuddy abstained.

- B. January 9, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.
Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Cuddy.
The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.
- C. January 16, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.
Motion to approve by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Camardo.
The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.
- D. January 23, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.
Motion to approve by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Camardo.
The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.
- E. January 30, 2014, City Council meeting minutes.
Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick.
The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.
- F. December 19, 2013, City Council meeting minutes (amended).
Motion to approve by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka.
The motion carried 3-0. Councilors Camardo, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.
Councilors McCormick and Cuddy abstained.

Presentations and Proclamations –

- The Clerk read a letter dated February 4, 2014 addressed to Mayor Quill from Thomas M. Winn, Police Chief of the Town of Camillus, NY. Chief Winn praised the efforts of the City of Auburn's Police Department, Fire Department, and TLC Ambulance service in their work as he observed it from a January 25, 2014 motor vehicle accident on South Street.

Public Announcements –

- Councilor Camardo announced that the Italian Heritage Society would again be hosting the U. S. Army Field Band and Soldiers Chorus for a performance on March 22, 2014 at 7 p.m. at the Auburn Junior High School auditorium. (the former East Middle School)

City Manager's Report - The City Manager reported:

- On the issue of the upgrade of computer software in the City's Code Enforcement office. The Viewpoint software program is in process and on track for May 2014 implementation.
- On the issue of the formation of a Technology Committee. The manager has formed a Technology Committee of various city staff to begin working together on the implementation and coordination of many new Technology programs throughout the city.

State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) – None

Ordinances – None

Resolutions

A. Financial Resolution #23 of 2014 - Authorizing a budget amendment to the FY 2013/14 Budget for a transfer to the Sewer Revolving Loan Fund

Motion to approve sponsored by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The resolution carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

B. Financial Resolution #24 of 2014 Seymour Library Tax Levy Advance

Motion to approve sponsored by Councilor Cuddy, seconded by Councilor Ruzicka. The resolution carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

C. Council Resolution # 25 of 2014 - Adoption of CDBG Action Plan

Motion to approve sponsored by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The resolution carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

D. Council Resolution # 26 of 2014 Approving a Home Rule Message

Motion to approve sponsored by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Camardo. The resolution carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

E. Council Resolution #27 of 2014 Adopting the Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2013

Motion to approve sponsored by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick. The resolution carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

Local Law- None

Tabled Legislation- None

Other Business

- A. Reorganization discussion regarding transfer of the Code Enforcement Office to the Fire Department. The council discussed. It was determined that the council would receive a formal presentation from staff on this topic at a future council meeting.
- B. City Manager discussed moving the City's Parking Meter Attendants to the supervision of the Chief of Police. They are currently supervised by the Department of Public Works.
- C. Other issues brought before the Council by individual members of the Council included:
 1. The issue of the City's water meter replacement program and the work of the company In Line Services was discussed by the council.
 2. Councilor Camardo asked for the Department of Engineering to check on the work of the contractor replacing lighting throughout the city.
 3. Councilor Ruzicka asked for Mr. Frank DeRosa to give

his opinion to the Council on the importance of continuing the work of the City Finance Committee. Mr. DeRosa addressed Council. Mayor Quill stated it would be the City Manager's responsibility to move this forward.

D. Executive Session

Council voted to enter an executive session regarding matters pertaining to:

1. contract negotiations (NYS Public Officers Law, Article 7 §105-e. collective negotiations pursuant to article fourteen of the civil service law), and
2. personnel (NYS Public Officers Law, Article 7 §105-f 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.)

Motion to enter an executive session was made by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor Cuddy. The motion carried 5-0. Councilors McCormick, Camardo, Cuddy, Ruzicka, and Mayor Quill all voting aye.

Council entered into executive session at 7:45PM.

Council returned from executive session and by unanimous vote adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on February 7, 2014 by: Charles Mason, City Clerk

On February 13, 2014 a motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2014 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Camardo, seconded by Councilor McCormick.

| | Ayes | Noes |
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| 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 6th day of February, 2014 and that the City Council approved such by the voted listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: February 13, 2014