

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, September 16, 2021 5:00 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 5:00 p.m. from the City Council Chambers, 24 South St. Auburn, NY by Councilor McCormick.

ROLL CALL – The City Clerk called the roll. Mayor Quill, Councilor Deb McCormick, Councilor Jimmy Giannettino, Councilor Terry Cuddy, Councilor Tim Locastro were all present.

The following City Staff was present for the meeting:

- City Manager, Jeff Dygert
- Corporation Counsel, Stacy DeForest
- City Clerk, Chuck Mason
- Fire Chief, Mark Fritz
- City Engineer, Bill Lupien
- Director of Municipal Utilities, Seth Jensen
- Police Chief, James Slayton
- Chief Water Filtration Plant Operator, John West
- Water/Sewer Maintenance Supervisor, Tom Gabak
- Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator, Mark Storrs
- Technical Director of Municipal Utilities, Tim O'Brien
- Senior Building Maintenance Mechanic, Water Filtration Plant, Brian Polcolvich
- Building Maintenance Mechanic, Water Filtration Plant, Tim Clark
- Water Treatment Plant Operator, Jeff DeCaro

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 Announcements – none

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS –

Public to be heard: Mayor Quill asked the Clerk read the public to be heard rules. The following individual spoke:

Approval of Meeting Minutes –

Approval of the September 9, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Locastro

Motion carried 4-0 with Councilor Giannettino abstaining.

Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report

- The City of Auburn is currently accepting bids for the replacement of HVAC equipment and a boiler at the DPW garage. Bids are due back Sept. 21.
- The City of Auburn is currently accepting proposals for the provision of Ambulance Billing Services. Responses are due Sept. 22. More information is available on the City of Auburn webpage under the tab "Bids/RFPs"
- Our latest sales tax report from NYS is showing an increase of 40.19% (\$262k) for the month of August compared to the same month in 2019.
- Provided a Covid update.

B. Reports from members of Council

Matters to Come Before Council

A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR)

B. Ordinances – none

C. Local Laws – none

D. Resolutions – none

E. Staff Presentations –

Overview and Recognition of Department of Municipal Utilities Staff led by Director Seth Jensen. Presentation slides attached.

- John West, Water Filtration Plant,
- Tom Gabak, Water Distribution Plant and Sewer Maintenance, and
- Mark Storrs and Tim O'brien, Wastewater Treatment Plant

The Mayor and Council recognized and thanked the entire Department of Municipal Utilities staff for their diligent efforts during the recent significant rain event due to Tropical Storm (hurricane) Fred that came through upstate New York on August 17 and 18.

TABLED ITEMS - none

OTHER BUSINESS –

Councilor Cuddy stated that he would like the Council to consider moving forward with housing initiatives utilizing American Rescue Plan Act ARPA funding. He would like to see a 50 Homes for 50 Families program targeted towards first time homebuyers to purchase their first homes in the City of Auburn.

Mayor Quill

Thank you. Mr. Dygert. Do you request executive session?

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:

Two separate matters regarding the sale, lease or acquisition of real property. The Council voted unanimously to enter executive session at 6:14 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m..

Minutes submitted by:

Chuck Mason, City Clerk

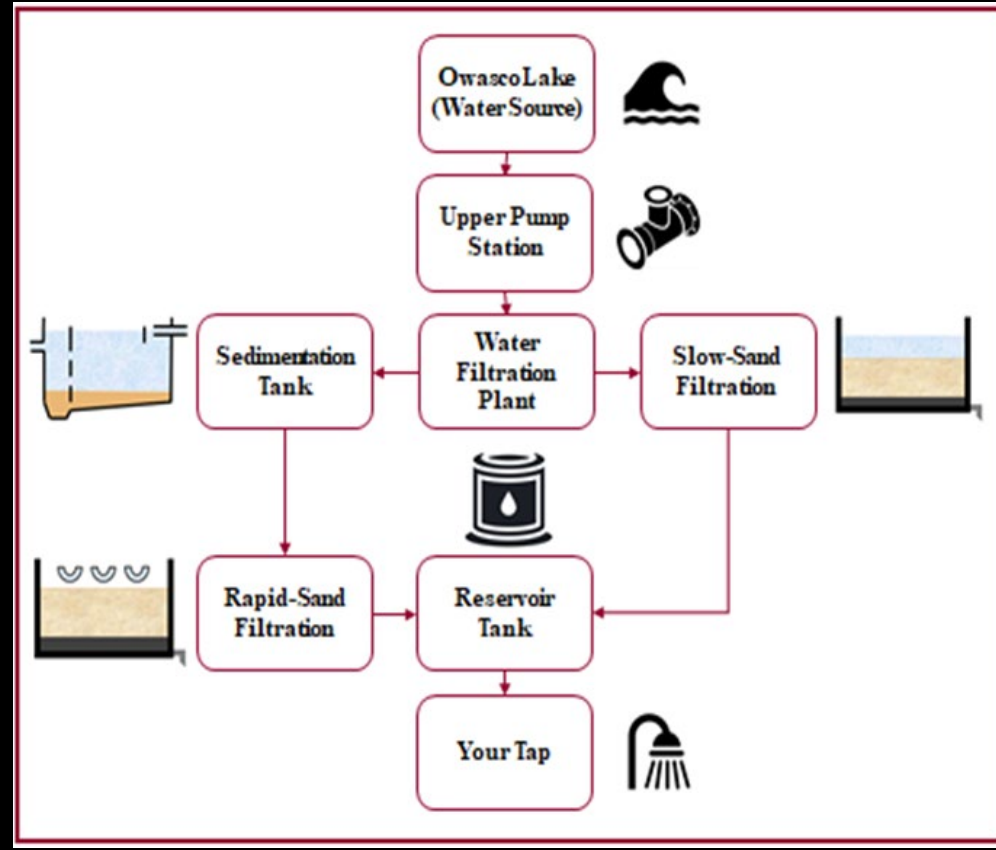
Department of Municipal Utilities

Staff Recognition and Department Overview



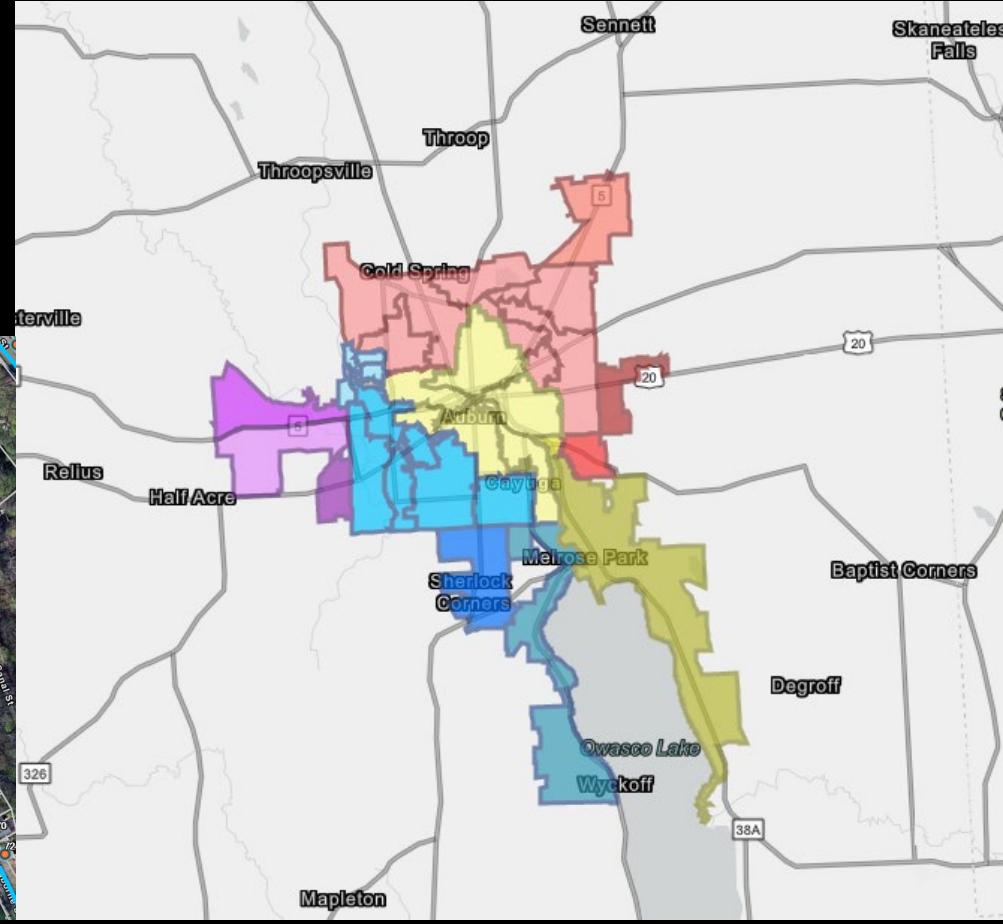
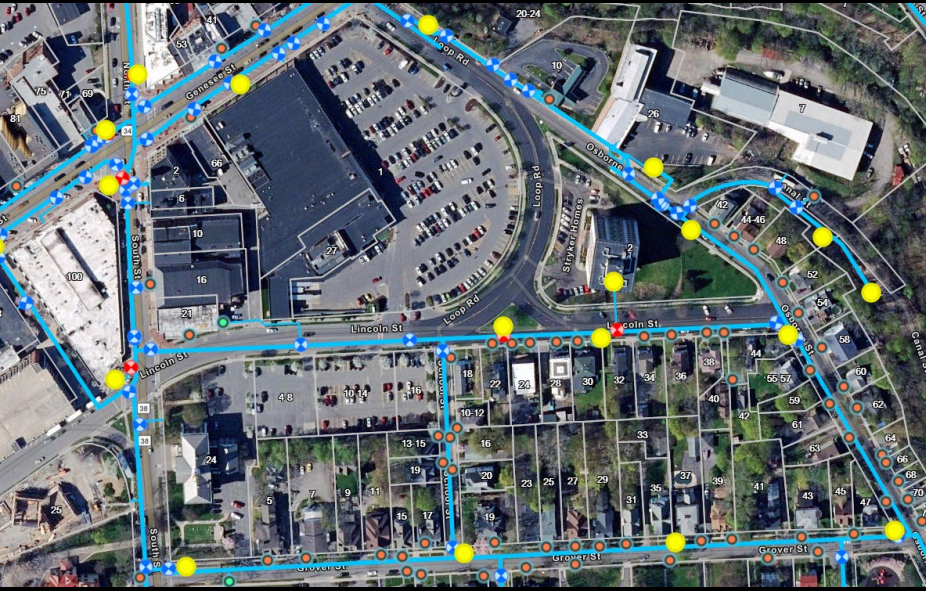
Water Filtration Plant & Hydros

- What do we do?
- Water Filtration
- Lake Level and Dams
- Hydro Facilities



Water Distribution and Sewer Maintenance

- What do we do?
- Water Distribution
- Sewer Maintenance



Wastewater Treatment Facility

- What do we do?
- Wastewater Treatment Plant
- CSO's and Remote Facilities



Compliance

- SPDES Permit
 - WWTP
 - WTP Lagoon
- DMR (discharge monitoring report)
- Mercury Minimization Report
- Flow Certification Report
- CSO Report
- WET (whole effluent toxicity) Testing
- IPP Report (industrial pretreatment)
- NY Alert Compliance
- Petroleum Bulk Storage Compliance
- Chemical Bulk Storage Compliance
- Air Emission Reporting and Compliance
- Spill Prevention Report
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Compliance
- NYSDEC Dam Safety Compliance
- NYSDOH Lead and Copper Compliance
- NYSDOH Annual Water Quality Report
- Dam Gate Inspection and Certification Annual Report

To Name a FEW!

Thank You for your support!