Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, August 8, 2019 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 5:00PM 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, Cuddy, Giannettino, 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
- Police Chief, Shawn Butler
- Director of Planning and Economic Development, Jennifer Haines
- Superintendent of Engineering, William Lupien
- Fire Chief, Joe Morabito
- 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.

- 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.

Dale Bush spoke to ask the Council to support an initiative to place cameras on school buses. He serves as a crossing guard for the City and encourages the public to use caution driving in school zones when school is in session.

Dan Orzechowski spoke to thank the Mayor and Council and the City of Auburn for all of their support and cooperation as he has served as a reporter for the Citizen newspaper over the past year. He will be embarking on a new job in the Auburn area.

# 7. Approval of Meeting Minutes –

July 18, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the July 18, 2019 minutes by Councilor McCormick, seconded by Councilor Giannettino. Motion to approve carried 3-0. Councilor Cuddy excused, Mayor Quill voted present.

## 8. Reports of City Officials

### A. City Manager's Report

- The demolitions of damaged or abandoned structures at 49 Chase St., 25-27 Delevan St., 38 Garrow St., Pulsifer Dr., and Walnut St. have been completed. The final grading and seeding of the sites should take place sometime over the next week.
- The work on the Genesee St. combined sewer has been completed the road surface is scheduled to be restored next week.
- Last night Corporation Counsel Stacy Deforrest and I attended the Human Rights Commission meeting. We are working on scheduling a presentation from the Commission to City Council sometime likely in September to review their mission and goals as well as to explain the types of services they provide.

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

- 9. Matters to Come Before Council
- A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) None
- **B.** Ordinances None
- C. Local Laws None
- D. Resolutions -

### STAFF/VENDOR PRESENTATIONS

#### **Helio Health Presentation**

Jenny Haines, Office of Planning and Economic Development introduced representatives from Helio Healthcare for their presentation to the Council - Jeremy Klemanski, CEO Helio Healthcare; John Warren, VP Residential Development & Construction; Joe Gehm, Lahinch Group Development. Representatives from Helio Healthcare presented to the City Council regarding a proposed project in the City of Auburn that would require Helio Health to purchase City-owned property at 41-55 Washington Street, Auburn, New York.

**Harmful Algae Bloom's (HAB's) Update** - Seth Jensen, Director of Municipal Utilities for the City of Auburn presented to Council on what the City has done to prepare the water filtration system to be ready in the event harmful algal blooms threaten the City drinking water supply.

### 10. Other Business –

Councilor Giannettino thanked the Council for writing a letter to Auburn Community Hospital Board of Trustees to encourage them to complete negotiations with the union AFSCME Local 3124.

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

Three matters pertaining to potential litigation involving the City. The motion to enter executive session carried 4-0. The Council entered Executive Session at 6:18 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

**Adjournment:** By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on September 5, 2019 by:

Charles Mason City Clerk