

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, November 21, 2019 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, Cuddy, Giannettino were all present. Councilor Carabajal arrived at 6:07 p.m.

The following City Staff was present for the regular meeting:

- Acting City Manager, Jennifer Haines
- Corporation Counsel, Stacy DeForrest
- City Clerk, Charles Mason
- Police Chief, Shawn Butler
- Director of Municipal Utilities, Seth Jensen
- 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.

David Anthony Scott, 63 South Street and CEO of New Batavia, LLC, spoke to congratulate the Equal Rights Heritage Center on its first anniversary. Also, he stated he believes any individual speaking before the Council should state their business affiliation or if they are a candidate for public office. He also stated he will be speaking next month on programs associated with the CDBG program.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes - none

8. Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report

The following is an update on major construction projects in the City:

NYS ERHC:

- J&E Electric and Flower City Glass to repair Handicap Door Opener/Closer.

North Division Street Bridge:

- Retaining Wall next to hydro facility is installed and backfilled.
- Sanitary Manhole on Clark Street in front of Fire Station #3 was installed and backfilled.
- Clark Street between North division Street and western most fire station entrance has been excavated and subbase placed in preparation for asphalt.
- Final Sidewalk Installation to take place Friday, November 22, 2019.
- Asphalt paving to be performed Monday-Wednesday next week.
- Signs to be installed Saturday.
- Brick pavers and landscape retaining walls to be installed next week.
- Temporary/Epoxy Striping to be placed next week temperature and weather dependent.
- Project is set to be substantially completed by November 30, 2019.
- Project Punch List is being compiled and completing tasks.

William Street and Lincoln Street Improvements

- William Street and Lincoln Street paving was completed today.
- Temporary striping tape was placed today. Temporary striping paint will be placed early next week.

2019 Water System Improvement Project

- Completion of project location #2 will be completed by first half of next week.
- Project Punch List.

North Hunter Brook Bridges:

- Close Out is in progress.

Owasco Greenway River Trail:

- Punch List (Trail). Loop Road NYSEG manhole in front of Wegmans to be adjusted next week.
- Acquiring As-Built Drawings (Trail).
- Close Out in Progress.

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

AGREEMENT RESOLUTION #132 OF 2019

AUTHORIZING A RELEASE OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MAURICE I. SCHWARTZ TOWERS, INC

By Councilor McCormick

November 21, 2019

WHEREAS, on or about September 1, 1970, the City of Auburn entered into an Agreement (the “Agreement”) with Maurice I. Schwartz Towers, Inc. (“Schwartz Towers”) for the purpose of leasing approximately 4600 square feet of space at 90 North Street, Auburn New York (the “Leased Premises”); and,

WHEREAS, the Agreement included a payment of monthly rent by the City in the amount of \$668.66 over a fifty (50) year term ending on March 31, 2022, and is attached hereto for reference; and,

WHEREAS, the City and Schwartz Towers now wish to execute a Release of Lease Agreement, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and,

WHEREAS, the Release of Lease Agreement allows the parties to terminate the Agreement prior to the end of the term subject to the following:

1. The City agrees to vacate the rental premises on or before December 31, 2019;
2. The City agrees to pay rent in the amount of \$668.66 until June 30, 2020, unless Schwartz Towers finds another tenant prior to then; and
3. The City agrees to pay utilities for the premises in the amount of \$3,000 for the 2019 calendar year and \$500 for the 2020 calendar year;

and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Release of Lease Agreement would be in the best interests of all parties and would avoid further costs and expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Auburn City Council does hereby approve a Release of Lease Agreement with Maurice I. Schwartz Towers, Inc., which is attached hereto and incorporation herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, or his named designee, is authorized to sign any and all documents in order to carry out the foregoing settlement and this Resolution.

Seconded by Councilor Cuddy

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor McCormick	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Carabajal	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

COUNCIL RESOLUTION #133 OF 2019

**AUTHORIZING SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT PURSUANT TO
THE 2019 CITY OF AUBURN PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLUS POLICY**

By Councilor Giannettino

November 21, 2019

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2019, the City Council of the City of Auburn passed Council Resolution No. 2 of 2019, which adopted a City of Auburn Procurement and Surplus Policy (the “Procurement Policy”); and

WHEREAS, the Procurement Policy requires that the sale of surplus vehicles and equipment with an estimated value of \$1,000 or more be approved by City Council;

WHEREAS, a list of City owned surplus vehicles, equipment, and other items, which have outlived their useful life or are no longer necessary or useful to the City, are attached hereto in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to dispose of the equipment and vehicles set forth in Exhibit A in order to obtain the best value for them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Auburn hereby authorizes the sale of the City-owned vehicles and equipment set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto in accordance with the 2019 City of Auburn Procurement and Surplus Policy.

Seconded by Councilor Carabajal

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor McCormick	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Carabajal	X		

Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

EXHIBIT A: Items to be Sold at Public Auction

Fire Department

1999 Pierce Skyboom Fire Engine
Stair Master/Elliptical
1990 Seagrave 110 ft ladder truck
1989 Pemfab/3D
10 Venice Metered SCBA Brackets
Radio shack PA Amplifiers and Speakers
Book Shelf, Card File Cabinet
24' ext. 14' roof 10' folding 8' pike
3 Air Carts plus Hose (5)
3 Water can extinguishers
5 SCBA Plastic Cans
Two Rope Bags w/ Rope red
Lawn Boy Lawnmower
2 Negative pressure smoke ejector (2 Bars)
3 Tool Boxes
24/4.5 SCBA Cy... 4 SKA Pak Escape Bottles
3 Light Bars
Assorted nozzle hose fittings/Large Diameter Intakes
ECHO quick vent saw
4 Life pack Defib/2 right stuff bag/1 mass casualty IM system

2 Eagle TICS/4 chargers
TFT 1 3/4 nozzles
1 Metal 1 Wooden desk/ Mail Slots
2 Back Boards (1 yellow 1 red)
Confined Space Ventilation System
Oil-less Breathing Air Compressor
Confined Space Tripod/Stokes Basket and various equipment
Sit Halogen Lights plus 5 box lights
Penn Power Rescue Kit and metal Box
Blue Generator. Gen Power 10.0
Goulds pumps Trash Pump
Lot Kitchen Chairs
Mikita 3 Piece tool Set
7 slide out metal shelves
80 Gallon compressor tank
DPW
2011 Ford pickup
2009 Ford 4X4 F350 PU
2006 International Refuse Packer
2002 International Dump
2009 International 7500 Refuse Packer
2013 International 7500 Packer
2001 Olympia Ice Resurfacer

Tabled Items - none

STAFF/VENDOR PRESENTATIONS

10. Other Business –

Councilor Giannettino discussed that Governor Cuomo vetoed legislation that was passed unanimously by both the State Assembly and State Senate that would increase the reimbursement rate to Cities for maintenance of arterial highways. He asked that the Council sign a letter or pass a resolution at a future Council meeting to communicate to the Governor regarding the importance of these funds to Auburn.

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on November 26, 2019 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk