Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, May 12, 2022 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 Mayor Quill.

**ROLL** CALL – The City Clerk called the roll. Mayor Quill and Councilor Ginny Kent, Councilor Jimmy Giannettino, Councilor Terry Cuddy and Councilor Tim Locastro were all present.

# The following City Staff was present for the meeting:

- City Manager, Jeff Dygert
- City Comptroller, Rachel Jacobs
- Corporation Counsel, Stacy DeForrest
- Assistant Corporation Counsel, Nate Garland
- City Clerk, Chuck Mason
- Director of Planning and Economic Development, Jenny Haines
- Fire Chief, Mark Fritz
- Dorector of Operations for Auburn City Ambulance, Kezia Sullivan
- City Engineer, William Lupien
- Superintendent of Public Works, Mike Talbot

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 - none**

**Public to be heard:** Mayor Quill asked the Clerk to read the public to be heard rules.

Kevin J Krystofik, 126 South Street spoke regarding matters pertaining to the Historic Resources Review Board Appeal Case for 128 South St.

Tim Lattimore, 63 South Street spoke regarding service provided by APD, AFD and the veterans program Enduring Gratitude.

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# **Approval of Meeting Minutes –**

April 21, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes Motion to approve the April 14, 2022 minutes by Councilor Locastro, seconded by Councilor Giannettino. Motion to approve carried 5-0.

## **Reports of City Officials**

#### City Manager's Report –

- The City is accepting bids for the CDBG Sidewalk Program which is due on May 24.
- The city is also accepting bids for general electrical work throughout city facilities, these bids are due May 26. More details on these Bids and RFPs is available on the City webpage under the tab "Bids/RFPs."
- Microsurfacing of select city streets began this week.
- Staff is looking for direction from Council related to the dispersal of ARPA funds previously earmarked for Human Services Agencies. The original plan was to utilize an open competitive process similar to the one being utilized for small businesses but we have heard there may be an interest in simply allocating funds to select organizations to speed up the process.
- NYS Touring Routes funding.
- Introduce Bradly Broadwell, new CEO for Cayuga Strategic Solutions.

## **Reports from members of Council**

#### **Matters to Come Before Council**

- A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) none
- B. Ordinances none
- C. Local Laws none
- D. Resolutions none
- E. Staff Presentations
  - HEALing Communities Update by Monika Salvage, Project Director

#### **TABLED ITEMS - none**

#### OTHER BUSINESS -

Historic Resources Review Board Appeal Case for 128 South St. - Nate Garland, Assistant Corporation Counsel explained the matter and background to the City Council. Brian

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McCarthy, legal counsel for the applicants of 128 South Street made his appeal to the City Council. After discussion a motion to remand this matter back to the Historic Resources Review Board for continued discussion between the board and the applicant was made by Councilor Cuddy, there was no second to the motion. A motion was made by Councilor Locastro, seconded by Councilor Giannettino to reverse the decision of the Historic Resources Review Board to allow the applicants at 128 South Street to allow for the construction of their shed to be completed. Following discussion the motion carried, 4-1 with Councilor Cuddy voting no.

**Second Public to be Heard:** Tim Donovan spoke regarding a community mental health awareness walk being held in downtown Auburn on Tuesday, May 17, 2022.

#### Executive Session:

Councilor Kent made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Locastro.

Council voted to enter an executive session regarding the following matter:

Four matters made confidential under attorney client privilege.

The motion to enter executive session carried 4-0. The Council entered Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m..

Minutes submitted by: Chuck Mason, City Clerk