

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 9, 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 Clerk, Chuck Mason
- Corporation Counsel, Stacy DeForrest
- Director of Planning and Economic Development, Jenny Haines
- Senior Planner, Renee Jensen
- Fire Chief, Mark Fritz
- City Engineer, William Lupien

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.

Alicia Procino of Wilbur Ave spoke about support for area food pantries and the former Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Approval of Meeting Minutes –

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Motion to approve the May 19, 2022 minutes by Councilor Giannettino, seconded by Councilor Locastro. Motion to approve carried 5-0.

Reports of City Officials

City Manager's Report –

- Reported that he attended a NYCOM conference in Syracuse in which the City was represented in two presentations by Assistant Corporation Counsel, Nate Garland talking about ZOMBIE properties, and Stephanie DeVito, Executive Director of Auburn Downtown BID talking about downtown matters.

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

- **Nick's Ride 4 Friends presentation** by Ashley Moench, Executive Director along with Mary Giannone and Randy Smith.
- **Cayuga Community Health Network presentation** by Shari Weiss, Executive Director and Nicole Gee, Cayuga County Street Outreach Coordinator.
- **Schines Theater Update presentation** by Bryan Bowers, Developer.
- **Proposed City of Auburn Parks Recreational Programs for the Summer of 2022** by CNY Sports represented by Meg Gremli, Legislator Brian Muldrow and Jamie Swagler.

TABLED ITEMS - none

OTHER BUSINESS –

Members of Council discussed with the City Manager that they would like to move along as soon as possible to implement the proposal for recreational activities at City parks for this summer of 2022. The Manager stated he would work with staff to get the matter before Council as soon as possible.

Councilor Kent discussed the increase in smoke shops in the city and suggested the Council consider a moratorium on the businesses due to the City needing to spend time to update the City Code to regulate the time, place and manner in which retail cannabis establishments, once approved by New York State,

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will be allowed to operate within the city. Council members discussed and agreed to consider such a moratorium as soon as possible.

Second Public to be Heard. none

Executive Session:

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

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

One matter made confidential under attorney client privilege.

The motion to enter executive session carried 4-0. The Council entered Executive Session at 7:21 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m..

Minutes submitted by: Chuck Mason, City Clerk