

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 23, 2023 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. Councilor Ginny Kent, Councilor Jimmy Giannettino, Councilor Terry Cuddy, Councilor Tim Locastro and Mayor Quill were present.

The following City Staff was present for the meeting:

- City Manager, Jeff Dygert
- City Clerk, Chuck Mason
- Corporation Counsel, Nate Garland
- Director of Planning and Economic Development, Jennifer Haines
- Police Chief, James Slayton
- Fire Chief, Mark Fritz

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 –

2023 Spring Electronic Collection Event Information

- Who: Cayuga County Residents ONLY
- What: HOUSEHOLD ITEMS ONLY. No businesses or commercial items will be accepted.
- When: April 1, 2023, 8:00am — 12:00pm
- Where: To be announced with your registration

To see a flyer with more details on the accepted/not accepted items for this event visit the City website.

The Auburn Firefighters cordially invite you to attend the Memorial Service for those Firefighters who died in the line of duty. The Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. at Willard Memorial Chapel, 17 Nelson Street, Auburn, NY.. It is a special time of reflection and a

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time to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. It would be an honor to have you in attendance. Feel free to invite family and friends as well.

Cayuga Community Health Network will be holding a Landlord workshop on March 25, 2023 from 9 am – 1 pm to be held at the Stage Right of the Auburn Public Theater , 8 Exchange Street in Downtown Auburn. This program is funded with City of Auburn Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Registrations are through Cayuga Community Health Network and spots are limited. Presenters include: Cayuga County Health Department Lead Task Force, Sally Santangelo: Fair Housing and a Guest Speaker on Hoarding. This is a FREE workshop for landlords in the city of Auburn. Pre-registration required and information is available on the City website.

The next Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Auburn will be held on Monday, March 27, 2023 at 7pm and will be held at Memorial City Hall Council Chambers, 24 South Street, Auburn.

There will be no City Council meeting on Thursday, March 30, 2023 due to it being the fifth Thursday of the month. The next City Council meeting will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2023 at 5 pm.

Ceremonial Presentations –

The City Manager reported the following new hires and/or employees leaving city employment:

- Thomas Colella, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator retired on February 28, 2022.
- Devin Walker started with DPW as a Part-time Laborer for Refuse Collection on March 7, 2023.
- Kyler Hall started as a Motor Equipment Operator on March 13, 2023.
- Joel Whiting started as a Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Trainee on March 27, 2023.

Public to be heard – The City Clerk read the rules for the Public to be Heard. No speakers.

Approval of Meeting Minutes –

March 9, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the March 9, 2023 minutes by Councilor Cuddy, seconded by Councilor Kent.

Motion to approve carried 5-0.

Reports of City Officials

City Manager's Report –

- The City of Auburn is currently accepting bids for residential building demolition. Bids are due back April 13.
- We are also advertising for bids for the 2023 Road Program. Bids are due back April 11.
- Today Mayor Quill and I presented an update on the State of the City at the annual Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce event. We were joined by our colleagues from Cayuga County.

Reports from members of Council –

- Councilor Kent reported on the most recent City-County Micron Sub-Committee meeting for identifying property for potential Site Development.

- Councilor Giannettino reported that he did a ride along with the Meals on Wheels program administered by the Cayuga County Office for the Aging. He thanked the organization for their important work.

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 or Vendor Presentations –

- Housing Development Discussion by Jenny Haines, Director of Planning and Economic Development
- State of the City Update by Jeff Dygert, City Manager
- Monthly Bar Graph Reports for February 2023 by Jeff Dygert, City Manager

TABLED ITEMS - none

OTHER BUSINESS – none

Second Public to be Heard. None

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

- Two matters made confidential due to the sale or lease of real property.
- One matter pertaining to the employment history of a particular individual.

The motion to enter executive session carried 5-0. The Council entered Executive Session at 5:59 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m..

Minutes submitted by: Chuck Mason, City Clerk