

**City of Auburn**  
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, November 3, 2025

The Auburn City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on Monday, October 20, 2025, in the council chambers of Auburn City Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Presiding: Mayor Brown

Present: Council Members Bryan, Randles, Harper, Benaka, Trower

City Attorney Luckman, Superintendent Clinkenbeard, Chief of Police Smart, City Clerk Magwire

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

**Previous Meeting Minutes**

October 20, 2025, regular meeting minutes reviewed. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

**Question of Bills**

Detailed report of payment of invoices and checks included in meeting packet for all to review. Council Member Harper motioned to approve the accounts payable ledger of \$94,983.45 including Payroll. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

**Citizens Forum**

Rachel Chew: October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, meeting she was given a letter to attend this meeting. Exterior is almost finished, if not completed.

Susan Worley: AVA, trunk or treat about 1,000 kids come through. Hog Roast, between the Raffle, Silent Auction, and buy it now table \$1,689.73. Thanked council for their time and donations.

Sharon Hester: Thanksgiving Dinner Food Drive, working with Gabriell Freidman, only 7 families have reached out to sign up for a meal. The silent auction thanksgiving meal has been donated to the school. Council Member Trower will donate 4 turkeys, Council Member Benaka will donate 2 more packages to feed 10 people, if there's a need for it.

Paula Artzer: 981 School, inquiring about when the dirt work for the drainage ditch will be finished. Green touch came out once and told her that Bettis approved 3 sq yards of dirt for her yard. Superintendent Clinkenbeard proposes to let Bettis do what they are going to do, and let green touch do what they can, if the 9 yards doesn't cut it, while they are working the city needs to pay to bring in more dirt. Council Member Bryan asked for permission from Paula to allow Council Members to look at her property.

**Landmark CD Renewals**

Council Member Benaka motioned to combine the three CDs and put them into Kaw Valley for 9 months at 4.0%. Motion dies for lack of a second motion.

Council Member Bryan motioned to approve the CDs for 6 months at 3.90% and keep them at Landmark. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved Council Member Trower, Harper, Bryan, and Randles voted yes. Council Member Benaka voted no.

**Charter Ordinance No. 6**

Council Member Benaka motioned to approve Charter Ordinance No. 6 as presented. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

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**Chief Smart**

Mr. Stewart got served on Friday, so he has his court date.

We will be losing Officer Wikle for at least 6 weeks, had been working overnights.

Got upgraded body cameras, no extra cost just a little better technology.

**City Attorney Todd Luckman**

Council agreed to have Attorney Luckman to send the letter to Rich Eckert.

**Superintendent Clinkenbeard**

Just got done with valve maintenance, there's a couple valves that need addressed.

The multipurpose building at the high school will be connecting gas next week. Mission Township has a shop that we are running gas service to on Thursday or Friday.

The parks have been winterized.

Will look into posts with reflectors, to put at corners around town, (11<sup>th</sup> street at Elvira, 10<sup>th</sup> at Franklin, and 11<sup>th</sup> at Hanover.)

**City Clerk**

ShIPLEY CPA, LLC engagement letter for the 2025 end of year audit. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve the contract from ShIPLEY CPA, LLC as presented. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Advantage Computer, Jayhawk Software web design annual support – 8 hours. Tabled until next meeting. Get a quote for a more up to date website. Council Member Harper will reach out to Jayhawk.

**Code Compliance**

None.

**New Business**

Council Member Benaka was asked to present to council about Caroling around the tree lighting ceremony. Park meeting is next week, and this will be discussed further.

Tomorrow is election day. Signs need to be removed from within 100 feet of the election site. Employee properties, and election signage no restriction to signs being placed on individual property.

They are doing a road study in the southwest part of Shawnee County.

**Adjourn**

Council Member Benaka motioned to adjourn. Council Member Harper seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Signature of Approval



Date

