

City of Auburn
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 21, 2025

The Auburn City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on Monday, July 21, 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, Trower, Randles, Harper, Benaka, Trower

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

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Previous Meeting Minutes

July 7, 2025, regular meeting minutes reviewed. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve the meeting minutes, with the correction made. Council Member Trower 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 Bryan motioned to approve the accounts payable ledger of \$69,305.14 including Payroll. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Ordinance No. 378

Council Member Benaka motioned to approve Ordinance No 378. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Ordinance No. 379

Council Member Trower motioned to approve Ordinance No 379. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Mayor Brown

Utility workers use their personal cell phones to communicate with each other for City of Auburn business. Mayor Brown believes that the city should be paying for a part of their cell phone bills, thinking about \$35 a month. Council Member Trower motioned to approve a stipend of \$50 a month for the use of their personal cell phone for city work. Council Member Harper seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Landmark CD *3984 Renewal**

Council Member Randles motioned to approve the CD ***3984 for the 6-month time or the highest interest rate through Landmark. Council Member Bryan seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Citizens Forum

Ryan Salmans thanked the Council Members for showing up the first and third Monday of the month to answer questions.

Chief Smart

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None

City Attorney Todd Luckman

None.

Working on Zoning with Shawnee county

Superintendent Clinkenbeard

Auburn Street Plan, parking lots and streets, will talk to pat about the parking lot side of things. Heritage Park, Civic Center, and City Hall, due for resealing and restriping. There is a pothole at 8th and Milton, going into the parking lot. West 14th Street is cracking, the warranty is out of date, didn't take enough off when it was redone. Any possibility of putting down tar and sand, Council Member Trower will look at 14th street. East 6th street is starting to become wavy; the base is shot and 2" milling will not work for long term solution. Superintendent asked if Council Member Trower has heard or used Pro Seal, sealant that goes on clear and is supposed to prolong the life of the road, Harveyville uses it.

Contract for Bettis, Attorney Luckman will get it.

They are making it harder to get your CDL, thinks that it needs to be included in the \$1 and hour raise. Council Member Bryan motioned to approve a \$1.00 an hour raise for employees who get CDL and current CDL holders. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Code Compliance

1531 N Washington the Stewarts, received the letter, have mowed some but has not done any trimming. Will send the information to Attorney Luckman for prosecution.

11th and Harrison schedule: waiting to see this fall what progress has been made through this summer.

City Clerk

Jayhawk Software Renewal & Support: Council Member Benaka motioned to accept the quote from Jayhawk software for a total of \$759 for services. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

List of Dates to Remember included.

Asked for a motion to finish reimbursing Mayor Brown and his wife for the \$125 the ice cream truck charged us over the amount quoted. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve the \$125. Council Member Bryan seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimous.

Benaka's Greenspace

The county has not changed Benaka's property line correctly on Shawnee County. July 9, 2025, was the most recent update to the website. Attorney Luckman has already spoken to the County to correct it, will have to speak to someone again to get it sorted.

New Business

Council Member Benaka asked to put on electronic sign, interest in planning and zoning board.

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Budget for parks and recreation, add money into parks and recreation budget, events, signs, and possible picnic tables, like to add \$10,000.

Council Member Bryan requested a push broom, square shovel, and a hard rake for the Civic Center Park. Superintendent Clinkenbeard will get them taken care of.

Parks and Rec minutes are in the back of the packet. Superintendent Clinkenbeard was thanked for getting the restroom signs put up.

Council Member Harper; Alex the new IT technician is very prompt with answering Council Member Harpers questions regarding setting up the new gas server.

Adjourn

Council Member Randles motioned to adjourn. Council Member Benaka seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Signature of Approval Mark Brown

Date 8-4-2025