

City of Auburn
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 6, 2024

The Auburn City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 6, 2024, in the council chambers of Auburn City Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Presiding: Mayor Brown

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

Chief Smart, City Attorney Luckman, Superintendent Clinkenbeard, City Clerk Temple

Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Previous Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2024, meeting minutes reviewed. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Council Member Harper 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 \$102,558.37 including Payroll. Council Member Benaka seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Citizens Forum

None.

Chief Smart

Informed council the police truck needs new tires. Quote options included in packet. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve the purchase of new tires for the police truck for the expense of \$1401.00. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

City Attorney Todd Luckman

Reported a response letter was received from Baker Storey & Watson regarding a code compliance letter mailed to Watson Real Estate Development LLC regarding property violation of the city code for the addresses of 250 and 260 E. 6th Street.

Annual Reappointment of City Officers

Mayor Brown appoints Todd Luckman as City Attorney, Lori Yockers as City Judge, Bryan Smart as City Police Chief, Ian Clinkenbeard as Superintendent, and Candi Temple as City Clerk. Council Member Trower motioned to confirm the appointments as stated by Mayor Brown. Council Member Harper seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Superintendent Clinkenbeard

City Engineer Pat Cox was consulted regarding the drainage plan for 10th and Harrison Street. He recommended building the ditch up as the best solution for the drainage. Council Member Harper motioned to approve proceeding with the recommendation from the city engineer. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

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Citywide garage sales are scheduled for the first weekend in June. A Dumpster will be provided at the maintenance shop available to city residents only. Dumpster quotes were presented from 3 companies. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve Shawnee County Waste with a total of 2 dumps. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Presented a quote from Netawaka for a rake bucket for \$1500 as well as a dumping hopper for \$900. The hopper price is discounted if both pieces of equipment are purchased together. The council requested additional information on the capacity of the dumping hopper.

The city of Auburn, the Fire Department and the Township met to prepare a disaster plan.

Reported KCC will be here next week to complete an audit for 2-3 days.

Reported the Department of labor visited last week.

Reported an update on the N. 14th St sewer project.

Reported the park is in need of playground mulch (kids carpet). Council Member Benaka motioned to approve no more than \$2400 a year to repair/replace the playground mulch. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Reported the cost for ball diamond silt is \$700 per load. Two loads are needed. Council Member Bryan motioned to approve two loads of silt for the ball diamonds. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

City Clerk Temple

Reported Auburn Volunteer Association requested the use of the civic center for the annual trunk-or-treat to be held on Friday October 25, 2024. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve allowing the Auburn Volunteer Association use of the civic center on October 25th. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

New Business

Mayor Brown reported the latest turnpike update.

Mayor Brown requested to schedule a work session with the council to discuss city planning opportunities. Council Member Benaka motioned to approve meeting on May 15, 2024, at 6:00pm to discuss city planning opportunities. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Adjourn

Council Member Bryan motioned to adjourn. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Signature of Approval



Date

