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Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag. All Councilors were present.

I. Consent Items

1. Order 01-01072019*

Accept and place on file the City Audit for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018.

2. Order 02-01072019*

Confirming Chief Moen's appointments of Civilian Process Servers for the Auburn Police Department and Constable Process Servers without firearm/arrest powers (Private) within the City of Auburn.

Motion was made by Councilor Titus and seconded by Councilor Fournier to remove Order 02-01072019 from the Consent Agenda to New Business. Passage 6-0-1 (Councilor Walker abstained).

Motion was made by Councilor Titus and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage of Order 01-01072019. Passage 7-0.

II. Minutes: December 17, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Walker to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2018 Regular Council meeting. Passage 7-0.

III. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions

Communication – Health & Social Services Update – Holli Olivier, Director

Communication – Lake Auburn Water Quality Update – Sid Hazelton

IV. Open Session – Dana Staples 32 Greenwood Drive, commented on the Auburn Housing Authority workshop item and the proposed parking area.

V. Unfinished Business - None

VI. New Business

Order 02-01072019 (which was removed from the Consent Agenda)

Confirming Chief Moen's appointments of Civilian Process Servers for the Auburn Police Department and Constable Process Servers without firearm/arrest powers (Private) within the City of Auburn.

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke. Police Chief Moen answered Council questions.

Passage 7-0.

1. Order 03-01072019

Authorizing the acceptance of Mountain View Drive as a City Street.

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

2. Order 04-01072019

Authorizing the discontinuance of Niskayuna Street. Public hearing.

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 6-1 (Councilor Titus opposed).

3. Resolve 01-01072019

Reaffirming adoption of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) resolution.

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Gerry for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

4. Order 05-01072019

Authorizing the sale (by sealed bid) of 25 Lake Street.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

5. Order 06-01072019

Authorizing the sale (by sealed bid) of 160 & 164 Chicoine Avenue.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

6. Order 07-01072019

Authorizing the sale (by sealed bid) of 31 Vine Street.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Young for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

7. Order 08-01072019

Authorizing the sale (by sealed bid) of 23 Cleveland Avenue.

Motion was made by Councilor Young and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

VII. Reports

Mayor Levesque – reported on the New Year’s Eve Auburn event and the after-action meeting that was held on January 3, 2019, adding that the event was a huge success. He reminded everyone that there is no Council meeting on January 21st due to the holiday. Our next meeting will be on January 28th and he will be delivering his State of the City Address.

Councilor Gerry – no report

Councilor Lasagna – reported that the School Building Athletic sub-committee that was scheduled for tomorrow has been cancelled and she reminded everyone that on Thursday at 5:30 PM the MAG-ARP committee will be meeting.

Councilor Hayes – reported that he attended the AVCOG meeting that was held on December 19th and noted that there is a grant opportunity for farmers called the Farm Energy Innovation Fund where farmers can apply and could possibly receive up to \$6,000 in grant funding.

Councilor Titus – reported on the Sewer and Water District meetings that were held in December adding that both budgets did get approved. Their next meetings are January 15th (Sewer District) and January 16th (Water District) at 4:00 PM at the District. He also noted that the next Marijuana Workgroup meeting is scheduled for January 15th.

Councilor Fournier – reported on School Committee meeting and went over items that could impact future School Committee budgets. She noted that the Auburn Public Library Board did not meet.

Councilor Walker – reported that there is an Age Friendly Committee meeting that is scheduled for tomorrow at the Senior Center. They will be discussing bylaws for the Committee.

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Councilor Young – reported that the Appointment Committee will be meeting next week, on January 16th to review Board and Committee applications and to make their nominations.

City Manager – reported that Matt Fifield has been appointed as Deputy Fire Chief, he commented on the Strategic Planning Committee meetings (Growth and Quality sub committees). He reported that the City will be taking over ownership of St. Louis Church. He announced that there will be a parking ban beginning at 4:00 PM tomorrow through Wednesday. Last, he commented on parking in the downtown, adding that he is working with a developer to lease 13 parking spaces that they will not be using.

VIII. Open Session – Bonnie Lounsbury, West Auburn Road, commented on St. Louis Church.

IX. Executive Session - None

X. Adjournment - Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Lasagna to adjourn. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

IN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 23, 2019 VOL. 35 PAGE 5

Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag. Councilor Hayes had an excused absence. All other Councilors were present.

I. New Business

Resolve 02-01232019

Authorizing the use of the current Senior Citizen Center CIP funds for the demolition work at the Senior Center and to direct the City Manager to move forward with the proposed timeline of the Citizen Advisory Committee meeting, public hearing, and Council vote.

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Gerry for passage.

Public comment – the following individuals spoke in favor of the Senior Center project:

Frank Pippin, 36 West Dartmouth Street
Jan Biron, 94 Western Avenue
Larry Pelletier, 129 Second Street
Stephen Martelli, 41 Broad Street, Apt. 2

City Staff provided a presentation of the proposed project as follows:

Peter Crichton – Overview
Zachary Lenhert – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding

Hal Barter – Construction
Marc Gosselin and Sabrina Best - Programming

Passage 6-0. A roll call vote was taken as requested by Mayor Levesque.

- II. Adjournment** - Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Walker to adjourn. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

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Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag. All Councilors were present.

- II. Consent Items** - None

II. Minutes

- January 7, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
- January 23, 2019 Special Council Meeting

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Fournier to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Passage 7-0.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Fournier to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2019 Special Council Meeting. Passage 7-0.

V. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions

- **Communications** – Mayor Levesque delivered his State of the City Address
- **Presentations** – A Swearing in Ceremony was held for Deputy Chief of Police, Tim Cougle and Deputy Chief of Fire, Matt Fifield. City Clerk Sue Clements-Dallaire administered the Oath of Office.
- **Communication** – Michelle Richardson (President) and Bruce Rioux (Vice President) of the Auburn Business Development Corporation (ABDC) provided an update to the Council
- **Communication** – Karen Scammon, City Assessor and Joe St. Peter, Deputy City Assessor provided an update on the Assessing Department

VI. Open Session

Two gentlemen from Crystal Springs Healing Alternatives medical store (with locations in both Lewiston and Auburn) spoke regarding medical marijuana storefronts in Auburn.

V. Unfinished Business

8. Public Hearing on Order 04-01072019

Authorizing the discontinuance of Niskayuna Street.

No one from the public spoke.

VI. New Business

1. Order 09-01282019

Approving the Liquor License and Special Amusement permit for SXE LLC, DBA Side by Each Brewing Co. located at 1110 Minot Avenue. Public hearing.

Motion was made by Councilor Hayes and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

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Public hearing – Owners Ben Low and Matt Johannes Spoke. Passage 7-0.

2. Order 10-01282019

Appointing Brian Carrier as a full member of the Planning Board with a term expiration of 1/1/2020.

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage of Orders 10-01282019 through 15-01282019 as presented.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage of Orders 10-01282019 through 15-01282019 7-0.

3. Order 11-01282019

Appointing Stephen Martelli as a full member of the Planning Board with a term expiration of 1/1/2022.

4. Order 12-01282019

Appointing Paula Curtis-Everett To the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board with a term expiration of 10/01/2019.

5. Order 13-01282019

Appointing Michael Thurston To the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board with a term expiration of 10/01/2019.

6. Order 14-01282019

Re-appointing Dana Staples to the Complete Streets Committee with a term expiration of 1/1/2022.

7. Order 15-01282019

Appointing R. Wayne Werts as a member of the LA 911 Committee with a term expiration of 1/1/2022.

8. Order 16-01282019

Re-appointing Karen Scammon as Auburn's City Assessor with a term expiration of January 31, 2021.

Motion was made by Councilor Young and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke. Passage 7-0.

VII. Reports

Mayor Levesque – no report

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Councilor Gerry – reported on a survey that has gone out for the Age Friendly Committee to help them gather information which may also help them in the future if they apply for grants and funding.

Councilor Lasagna – reported on MAG-ARP meeting last week, the School Building Committee's Public Forum that was held last Wednesday, the Chamber Dinner held last Thursday, and this week the Citizen's Advisory Committee will be meeting at 6:00 PM on Thursday, and also on Thursday this week will be the final Strategic Plan sub-committee (Quality and Growth) meeting before going to the Finance/Invest committee.

Councilor Hayes – reported that Elite Airways have leased a hangar at the Auburn-Lewiston Airport.

Councilor Titus – no report. Mayor Levesque announced that Councilor Titus was absent from the Trustee meetings due to the delivery of his new granddaughter. The Mayor and Council congratulated him on becoming a grandfather.

Councilor Fournier – reported that they have not had a School Committee meeting or a Library meeting since her last report.

Councilor Walker – reported that tomorrow night at Rolly's Diner, the City Manager will be speaking and he invited people to attend.

Councilor Young – reported on the ELHS School Building Committees public forum that was held last week.

City Manager – reported that the FY20 budget process is under way, the Birthday Celebration is scheduled for Feb. 22nd as part of the Sesquicentennial, currently there are 25 locations that will be serving cakes at each of those locations. More information can be found at Auburn150.com. He reported on the Winterfest. He reminded everyone that the next

Council meeting is scheduled for next Monday and he invited the council to joint workshop with the School Committee next Wednesday at 6:00 PM. He talked about possible fundraising for the new high school. He reported that LATC (Lewiston Auburn Transit Committee) sent out surveys to businesses and employees to find out if employees are interested in using the transit system.

Assistant City Manager, provided an update on the Strategic Plan noting that it is moving along well, the final meeting of Quality and Growth sub-committee meeting is Thursday the 31st here at Auburn Hall at 6:00 PM where the focus will be priorities. Next the Investment sub-committee will begin their work on February 28th.

Councilor Walker thanked the Public Works Department for helping out during the Winterfest. He added that if it wasn't for their help, the event wouldn't have happened. He said it was a great effort by everyone and over 200 people showed up (at Sherwood Heights).

Finance Director, Jill Eastman – December 2018 Monthly Finance Reports

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Motion was made by Councilor Lasagna and seconded by Councilor Walker to accept and place on file the December 2018 Monthly Finance Report. Passage 7-0.

VIII. Open Session

No one from the public spoke.

IX. Executive Session - None

- X. Adjournment** - Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Walker to adjourn. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk