

**City of Auburn
Council Minutes
August 6, 2012**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:10 after Johnson and Berola came in. Mayor Powell led the council in the pledge to the flag. Others in attendance were Mayor Powell, Tanner, Hemmerle, Gillock, Thornton, Appelt, Grischow, C. Powell and Centko. Absent were Kessler and Rathgeber.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT – Thornton

The Clerk presented the minutes as there were no corrections, Tanner made a motion to accept the minutes and to destroy the recorded minutes. Johnson seconds the motion and the motion was passed by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Appelt

Appelt presented the bills list for July 17 thru July 31st. There were two questions on the bills list, check 10123 to the Library, this was their share of the property tax income, check 10130 was to Martin Engineering, when questions it was for a guidance fee. After the questions were answered Gillock made a motion to pay the bills and Tanner seconds. 5-0-2

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Johnson, Berola, Gillock

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Kessler, Rathgeber

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Grischow

Raylene had three Ordinances for the first reading:

Ordinance # 1354-12, Registration of Sex offenders, after checking the Ordinance book and also the state statues, Raylene felt the best way to add this was to add an additional Chapter, Chapter 25. The Council also stated they would like to make sure that the ordinance is not lesser than the states statue.

Ordinance 1355-12 was the Garbage receptacles, this will enforce the citizens moving their cans back onto their property after pickup and if not there will be a fine, and it was suggested \$25.00 for first offense, \$50.00 for second and \$75.00 for third.

Ordinance 1356-12 placement of stop signs in Timberbrooke and Ladage subdivision and also Gridiron Drive.

Burning Ban Ordinance has been passed by the State giving Fire District the right to declare a burning ban for seven days in dry weather. The fire districts are to pass an ordinance giving them the authority to enforce the ordinance.

VISITORS

Candy Candioto was present to inform the Council about the gaming machines that liquor pouring establishments can install in their business. She explained the system and what had to be met before they could receive a license. The State Police will do the investigations before a license is issued. The owner of the machines and the owner of the business will receive 35% each, the City will receive 5% and the State will get 30%. City police will enforce the laws of the gaming license.

Kessler came into the meeting at 7:50.

The Mayor stated that there will be a public meeting for the Citizens to come and state their feelings on this as there really doesn't seem to be much benefit to the City. Rev VanBeber was at the meeting to object to putting the machines in.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

The Mayor stated that Jim Nucklos term was up on the Zoning Board and Tony Nardi was resigning. The appointment will be five years. It is the Mayor's recommendation is to reappoint Jim Nuckols and Chris Warwick to replace Tony Nardi. Berola made a motion to accept the recommendation to appoint Jim Nuckols and Chris Warwick to the Zoning Board for five years. Kessler seconds the motion.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Johnson, Berola, Gillock and Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Rathgeber

At the same time, the Mayor stated that the council needed to appoint a chairman of the Zoning committee, Dave Miller has been serving as Asst chairman for a couple of years, the Mayor recommended that Dave Miller be appointed Chairman of the Zoning Committee. Berola made a motion to accept the Mayor's recommendation to name Dave Miller as Chairman of the Zoning Committee. Kessler seconds the motion.

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Johnson, Berola, Gillock, Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Rathgeber

The Mayor asked if anyone had any input on the Redbud Park, some citizens are wondering what is going on with it. There is no money to start the infrastructure of the Park, and if the City does anything it will lose the income that it does receive and then it will cost to upkeep. There is no money from the State. The money from the tax has to be used for the other parks in town. It was suggested the sign be taken down.

There are three birthdays this month:

Derrick Lomelino August 17 employed for the City 6 years and 5 months
Edna Dolbere August 16 employed for 8 years and 8 months
Connie Powell August 7 employed for 33 years and 8 months

DEPARTMENT HEADS

CENTKO

Centko stated that from Lesko he was able to get a truck, 2 hummers and 2 generators. He is going to use the truck for an evidence vehicle. He would like to take the utility bed from the city truck and put it on the truck he got. The Mayor said he didn't see a problem and then the city could sell the City truck

Connie Powell said that she received a call from Barb Woods and that she was selling her property and had gone to the County to separate the properties.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS- Johnson

Johnson stated that there was a change in the MFT bid, Central Stone added a surcharge for transportation cost, Crown Trucking was approved to haul rock and it was \$2,500.00 less than the original bid. The rock and chipping work should be started on August 20th.

Johnson also said that the City received a punch list from Martin for the Kennedy Road.

Also IDOT stated that there needs some improvement on the Madison Street railroad crossing. The railroad is to put an 8 foot high fence on the railroad right of way.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Kessler

Crystal Houston wants a hearing to talk about the fine she got for not having her meter available for the City to read and was fined. The Public Utilities committee will hear her complaint at 8:00 on August 20th at 8:00.

HEALTH & SAFETY – Gillock

Gillock has the contract between FOP and the Police department. Raylene asked if the changes they had talked about where in the contract. Raylene would like to go over the contract before it is passed, if they changes are made it can be passed next meeting.

On August 1 there was a Health and Safety meeting and interviews were held for 6th police officer. It was the recommendation of the committee to the Mayor that the city hire

Bryan Howard. Motion by Gillock to accept the Mayor's recommendation to hire Bryan Howard as the 6th police officer, second by Kessler. 7-0-1

AYES: Hemmerle, Tanner, Johnson, Berola, Gillock, Kessler

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Rathgeber

Howard will start PTI on August 20th and will be sworn in at the next meeting. By hiring Mr. Howard this will bring the police department back up to the number of police officer they have had in the past.

HEALTH OFFICER - Berola

Berola only had a couch on 10th Street at Plummer's house and was wondering if it had been moved. No one knew for sure other than the fact it was going to cost her \$30.00 to have it taken away. It was suggested that she put it in the garage and tear it apart and put the parts in the trash container.

PARKS – Tanner

There are 3 games scheduled for September on the baseball field, it is suggested that the fields be worked after the school season is over. Tanner also said there was a problem over the weekend with the Brooks Tournament because the school did not notify any one they would be using the field. There is need of a person to incorporate the use of the field.

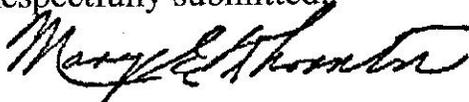
LIBRARY – Hemmerle

Informed the Council that the Library Board had been installed.

ADJOURNMENT

Kessler made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 with a second by Tanner. Motion passed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted:



Mary E. Thornton
City Clerk