

February 18, 2013

Regular City Council Meeting – 7:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, Michigan convened in the Council Chambers, 26215 Trowbridge, on Monday, February 18, 2013

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: A Presentation was given by the Deputy Director of DPS Jerome Bivins on the CSO Basin at 2121 Middlebelt.

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Canty that Council convenes into a Closed Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.286 (e).

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 (Moner)

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to adjourn the Closed Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

City Council and the public in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Roll Call

Mayor Hampton	Present	Councilwoman Howard	Present
Councilman Moner	Absent	Councilman Williams	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Hendricks	Present	Councilman Canty	Present
Councilman Shaw	Present		

***A Quorum was present**

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve the agenda with an added item "E" to New Business.

Resolution 02-13-28R - Motion carried.

Nay- (Shaw, Williams)

Presentations/Discussion

Public Hearings (N/A)

Consent Agenda

- A. February 4, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. Fire and Police Pension Payment, February 2013.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve the consent agenda.

Resolution 02-13-29R- Motion carried unanimously.

Boards and Commission

- A. Update of current list of appointments to Boards & Commissions

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to increase the member of the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee from 7-9.

Resolution 02-13-30R-Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to appoint Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee.

Resolution 02-13-31R-Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to appoint Dennis Welslo to the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee.

Resolution 02-13-32R-Motion carried unanimously.

Previous Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Councilmember Shaw) Allen Brothers & Attorneys Counselors, PLLC, Invoice \$37,551.73.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to bring the Allen Brothers & Attorneys invoice off the table for consideration.

Resolution 02-13-33R-Motion denied.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Howard-Nay
Councilman Williams-Nay
Councilmember Shaw- Nay
Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks-Nay

Mayor Hampton-Yes
Councilman Canty-Yes

Yes: 2 Nay: 4 Absent: 1 (Moner)

***Item Moved to "F" under New Business for further discussion.**

Ordinance(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Mark Lloyd) Consider adopting the 2013 annual meeting calendars and the 2012 annual reports of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Downtown Development Authority, Planning Commission, Economic Development Corporation, Tax Increment Finance Authority and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Resolution 02-13-34R – Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Discussion/Action: (Mark Lloyd) Consider approving a special conditions use request to allow the operation of a trade school to be located at 1615 Henry Ruff Road (Case No. 12-10-SCU) as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Resolution 02-13-35R – Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consider authorizing the administration to enter into Services Contract with Tucker, Young, Jackson, Tull, Inc. to operate the CSO Basin located at 2121 Middlebelt Road for three years.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Shaw

Resolution 02-13-36R – Motion carried

Yea- Howard, Canty, Shaw, Hampton

Nay- Hendricks, Williams

Absent- 1 (Moner)

- D. Discussion/Action: (Mark Lloyd) Approval to renew the agreement with Murray's Real Estate Services, LLC., Red Carpet Keim, Will Coop, Inc., and Your Town Realty to provide real estate services to sell City-Owned structured properties and vacant lots for one year.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Canty

Resolution 02-13-37R- Motion carried unanimously

- **E. Discussion/Action: (Councilmember Canty) Respond to the Finance Committees request to answer Citizen's request.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hendricks

Resolution 02-13-38R- Motion denied

Yea- Hampton, Canty, Hendricks

Nay- Shaw, Howard, Williams

Absent- 1 (Moner)

**F. Discussion/Action (Council) Allen Brothers & Attorneys Counselors, PLLC, invoice \$37,551.73.

Moved by Councilwoman Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to reconsider the Allen Brothers & Counselors invoice for approval.

Resolution 02-13-39R- Motion carried.

Nay-(Shaw)

Public Participation

- **James Richardson-** Complaint about the water bills being too high. He was a resident that was chosen for a random water meter test and his test was accurate, however, what isn't being determined by the water test is the water flow and usage.
- **Jean Overman-** Extended and invitation to residents for the Inkster Task Force meeting every 4th Thursday at the Booker Dozier Recreation Complex.
- **Zara Nasir-** Extended and invitation to residents to the Inkster Literacy Movement Program's, reading rally on February 23, 2013 and to the Volunteer Kickoff on February 26, 2013.
- **George Williams-** Asked City Council to get educated and go out to other communities and see how they operate their CSO Basins.
- **Frances Fletcher-** Asked are monthly reports on how each city department is functioning being put on the website. In addition, she asked how is the crime rate in the city since the Police force has been decreased. She also said she is willing to do volunteer services.
- **Karen Lee-** Thanked everyone who is trying to help the citizens. She said City Council is clearly not trying to bring down water rates and she complained about the high water bills.

Mayor and Council Communications

- **Councilman Williams-** Wanted to know who is responsible for updating the Dashboard on the website. In addition, he said he is seeing a lot of vacant homes in the City of Inkster and wanted to know if there is anything that can be done legally to have the banks maintain the upkeep of their properties, such as grass cutting. Furthermore, he said the city should look at ways to add different revenue sources.
- **Councilman Canty-** Asked about minutes from the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee meeting.
- **Councilmember Shaw-** Thanked DPS, Fieldworkers, and Administration for how they handled the water main break in his District. He suggested that the City take a proactive approach and start to seek public participation about the Police and Fire grant that was applied for. He is very, very, concerned that at the February 4, 2013 City Council meeting a business was granted a Special Use Permit but did not have a Certificate of Occupancy, Business License, or a Fire Inspection. He said before items are approved by the Planning Commission, they should have all permits and licenses.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks-** Apologized to his fellow City Council members for his prior outburst. He said the Water Committee meet on the 12th of February and he provided the minutes for the committee. He said the committee suggested that more information be put on the water bills. In addition he said there will be another meeting on February 25, 2013.
- **Mayor Hampton-** He is anxiously awaiting the budget process so that the areas that the City wants to see strengths in can be developed.

City Clerk

- The City Clerk's office has been working in conjunction with the Planning Department to aggressively go after the renewal of business licenses and for the past four months almost six

thousand dollars have been collected. In addition, the Clerk's office will know by February 26, 2013 if the city will be having a May election.

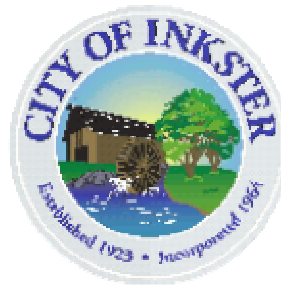
City Manager

Closed Session

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on motion duly made by Council Member Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Williams and carried, the Regular Council meeting of February 18, 2013 was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster