APPROVED

March 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, March 18, 2013

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: Mr. Tony Love from the Inkster Housing Commission discussed a Maintenance agreement between the City of Inkster and the Inkster Housing Commission. Council Members discussed the FY 2013 budget amendment.

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Howard that Council convenes into a Closed Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.286 (e).

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Moner to adjourn the Closed Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 8:02p.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	Present	Councilman Williams	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Hendricks	Present	Councilman Canty	Present
Councilman Shaw	Present		

*__A Quorum was present__

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve the agenda as amended with the removal of item "B" under Presentations/Discussions, the removal of item "A" under Previous Business and the addition of items "C", "D", "E" under New Business.
Resolution 03-13-48R - Motion carried unanimously.

Presentations/Discussion

A. Budget Discussion- Plante & Moran

Plante & Moran discussed several budget line items and gave suggestions on how to stay in compliance with the deficit elimination plan.

B. Discussion: (Tony Love) Consider an approval for the City of Inkster to enter into a Maintenance Agreement with Inkster Housing Commission to provide maintenance to the Twin Towers Apartments Storm Water Management System on an as needed basis.
**** (REMOVED FROM AGENDA) ** (Discussed at City Council Orientation)**

Public Hearings (N/A)

Consent Agenda

A. March 4, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

B. March 7, 2013 Special Council Meeting Minutes.

C. Police and Fire Pension fund.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve the consent agenda.
Resolution 03-13-49R- Motion carried unanimously.

Boards and Commission

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

Previous Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Hilton Napoleon) Consider renewal of a contract between the Inkster Housing Commission and the City of Inkster for two (2) Police Officers, funds to be budgeted in the Patrol Officers salary account, account # 101-315-706-00.
**** (REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA)**

Ordinance(s)

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Mark Lloyd) Consider approval of offer to purchase (Case# LD13-06) Vacant land (1 lot) south of 4562 Walnut Avenue being legally described as Lot Lot 78, also E. ½ Adj. Vac. Alley, also N. ½ Adj. Vac. Alley Inkster Gardens Sub, T2S, R9E, L48. P73, WCR (Property ID # 014-03-0078-00) in an amount of $500.00 to LaDedra Garrett.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
Resolution 03-13-50R – Motion carried unanimously.

B. Discussion/Acton :(Mark Stuhldreher) Consider approval of a FY 2013 budget amendment.

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve the FY 2013 budget amendments with a budget modification of three DPS workers, preserving the allocations to seniors and furlough days for non-essential services and the Parks and Recreation department and with $42,000 to be found in another budget line item.
Resolution 03-13-51R-Motion carried. (Nay: Williams, Howard)

C. Discussion/Action: (City Council) Consider a motion to keep Ron Wolkowicz as Director of Parks and Recreation and Department of Public Services.

*****Recommendation: The City Manager will make a recommendation to City Council.

D. Discussion/Action: (City Council) Consider approval of an Interim City Manager.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to appoint Lynn Ellen as Interim City Manager.
Resolution 03-13-52R- Motion failed.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Canty	Nay	Councilmember Shaw	Yes
Councilmember Moner	Nay	Councilmember Howard	Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks	Nay	Councilmember Williams	Yes
Mayor Hampton	Nay		

Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to appoint Mark Stuldreher as the Interim City Manager.
Resolution 03-13-53R- Motion carried

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Howard	Yes	Councilmember Canty	Nay
Councilmember Shaw	Yes	Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks	Nay
Councilmember Williams	Yes	Mayor Hampton	Nay
Councilmember Moner	Yes		

E. Discussion/Action: (City Council) Consideration of a full time permanent City Manager.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to look at the previous City Manager applicants to fill the permanent City Manager position and if the City of Inkster does not hire a City Manager from that pool of applicants, then the position will be posted.
Resolution 03-13-54R- Motion carried

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Shaw	Nay	Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks	Yes
Councilmember Williams	Nay	Councilmember Canty	Yes
Councilmember Howard	Nay	Mayor Hampton	Yes
		Councilmember Moner	Yes

Public Participation

- Toni Bailey- Save the Date May 18, 2013 for the Inkster Beautification Sweep.
- Willie Johnson- Complained about the high water rates and said that the City of Inkster needs to brainstorm the condition of the city.
- George Williams- He had budget questions and said he will be requesting that the City of Inkster receive an Emergency Financial Manager.

Mayor and Council Communications

- **Councilman Williams-** Would like to find ways to strengthen the Police Department and different ways to have a diversified tax base.
- **Councilman Canty-** Stated that he has lived in Inkster all his life. He said that even though the city is in difficult times, he will not shy away from making tough decisions. In addition he said that he knows everyone will not be happy with some decisions but his door is always open and people can contact him anytime.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks-**Stated that all members of City Council live here and that everyone is feeling the brunt of a declining tax base. He said City Council and residents alike should begin to think of ways that the city can be made better. He suggested maybe adding an additional payment of $100.00 or anything extra that residents and businesses can afford to your tax payments as a suggested way of assisting the city.
- **Councilman Moner-**Stated that he has some items on his tax bill that have been on there for years. He asked if those items can be removed from the tax rolls and maybe he can pay additional monies as well. In addition, he asked about mileages.
- **Mayor Hampton-**Thanked the City Clerk for arranging the visit to Pittsfield Charter Township. He said that Councilmember's learned and appreciated seeing the different ways that business can be conducted in another municipality. In addition, he stated that their will always be a lot of teachable moments in the future and tonight was no different. He asked that individuals focus on the city and its future and not individuals personally and to purge ourselves of personal grudges. He also discussed the HR1000 jobs resolution that was introduced by Congressman John Conyers.

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to approve HR1000 Jobs bill that was introduced by Congressman John Conyers, 14th District.
Resolution 03-13-56R-Motion Carried (Nay: Shaw, Canty)

City Clerk

- The City Clerk discussed Business Licenses and informed City Council that the Electronic Poll Books for the polling locations will be picked up on April 5, 2013.

City Manager

Closed Session

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on motion duly made by Council Member Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw and carried, the Regular Council meeting of March 18, 2013 was adjourned at 10:39 p.m.

Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster