

January 21, 2014

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 Tuesday, January 21, 2014.

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: The City Council agenda was discussed.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Williams 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: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 (Moner)

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Canty to adjourn the Closed Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 8:10 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 Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to approve the agenda
Resolution 01-14-03R - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

- A. Presentation to the City Manager-Super Saturday Committee.
- B. Marvelettes-Proclamation.
- C. Inkster Viking Pride-Fundraising Presentation.
- D. Stratford Place Proposed Development –Al Bogden.
- E. Judeh and Associates-Jumana Judeh
- F. State Representative –David Knezek
- G. City of Westland/Inkster Fire Chief Adams
- H. Inkster Library-Michael Wells

Public Hearings (N/A)

Consent Agenda

- A. December 16, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. January 14, 2014 Special Council Meeting Minutes.
- C. Receive & File City of Inkster Local Compensation Commission Report/Minutes.
- D. Allen Brother's and Attorney's, PLLC. Invoice \$ 21,230.08.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks, Seconded by Councilmember Canty to approve the consent agenda.

Resolution 01-14-04R-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 appoint Peter Cemot to the Downtown Development Authority.

Resolution 01-14-05-Motion carried unanimously.

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

- A. Consider giving first reading and introduction to the City of Inkster Code of Ordinances with an Ordinance Addressing Floodplain Management Provisions of the State Construction Code.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks, Seconded by Councilmember Canty to set the Public Hearing for the Floodplain Management Provision to February 3, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

Resolution 01-14-06R-Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action (Mark Stuhldreher): Consider approval of a Resolution authorizing amendments to the general employees City of Inkster Retirement Income Plan that clarify and update certain language as required by the Internal Revenue Service.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Canty

to amend the Inkster employee Retirement Income Plan.

Resolution 01-14-07R-Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Discussion/Action (Mark Stuhldreher) Consider authorization to rescind Commercial and Residential Water Shut Off Policies adopted July, 2011 and February, 2012 respectively.

**Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks
to table the rescinding of the Commercial and Residential Water Shut Off
Policies.**

Resolution 01-14-08R-Motion carried.

Nay: (Shaw, Hampton)

- C. Discussion/Action: (Mark Stuhldreher) Consider approval of a Service Agreement with UHY Advisors MI, Inc. to conduct a review of the City's legal program.

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks
to approve the Service Agreement with UHY and the cost not to exceed
\$10,000.00.**

Resolution 01-14-09R-Motion carried.

Nay: (Williams)

- D. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider authorizing issuance of a request for proposals for development and acquisition of the Civic Center Area located near the northeast corner of Michigan Avenue and Inkster Road.

**Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Canty
to approve the development and acquisition of the Civic Center Area.**

Resolution 01-14-10R-Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider adopting 2014 meeting calendars of the Brownfield Development 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 Canty
to approve Boards and Commission's 2014 calendars.**

Resolution 01-14-11R-Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider an offer to purchase (Case # LD13-16) 29043 Avondale which is located on the South side of Avondale between Eastern and Central and is legally described as Lot 17 Grand View Gardens Sub T2S, R9E, L45, P94 WCR (Property ID # 005-01-0017-000) in the amount of \$3,200.00 to Alphonsus E. Obi.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve an offer to purchase 29043 Avondale.

Resolution 01-14-12R-Motion carried unanimously.

- G. Discussion/Action: (Richard Marsh) Authorization to retain Risk Management Associates (RMA) to conduct an assessment and evaluation of the Inkster Police Department and to accept their proposal in the amount of \$ 19, 000.00.

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to table retaining Risk Management (RMA) to conduct an assessment of The Inkster Police Department.

Resolution 01-14-13R-Motion was a tie vote

Nay: (Howard, Shaw, Williams)

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Hampton-Yea

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks-Yea

Councilmember Canty-Yea

Councilwoman Howard-Nay

Councilmember Shaw-Nay

Councilmember Williams-Nay

Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to retain Risk Management (RMA) to conduct an assessment of the Inkster Police Department.

Resolution 01-14-14R-Motion carried

Nay: (Hampton, Canty)

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks-Yea

Councilman Shaw- Yea

Councilwoman Howard-Yea

Councilman Williams-Yea

Mayor Hampton-Nay

Councilman Canty-Nay

Public Participation

- **David Nathan**-Stated he was invited by the Viking Pride and stated that he supports the City of Inkster.
- **Rev. Williams**-Wished everyone a Happy New Year. He stated that the city is under the Hedlee Amendment and asked can judgments be placed on the tax roll. He would like to the City Attorney to provide information regarding that. Additionally he asked how the Treasurer is over budget.

Mayor and Council Communications

- **Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks**-Stated all capacities of the City of Inkster should be working together. He said he knows that the Treasurer is initiating what he thinks is best to reduce the deficit. Furthermore he said that threats implementing that the City Treasurer will use his power should not be made. Additionally, he stated that he knows that the Police Department needs to be reviewed and decisions need to be made. But he stated that he does not like being put in a position to have to vote on matters where appropriate city procedures were not followed. He expressed his concern to the City Manager by saying that he felt there was plenty time to get additional proposals for the Police Department review and he does not like being backed into a corner.
- **Councilman Canty**-Councilman Canty expressed his support for the Affordable Healthcare Act. He stated that some lies were going around about the Act and asked citizens to make intelligent inquiries about the Affordable Healthcare Act.
- **Councilwoman Howard**-Announced that the Inkster Task Force would be hosting an event on January 25, 2014 3000 Hively from 2pm-5pm. RSVP: 734-931-0821.
- **Councilman Williams**-Thanked the Super Saturday Committed for their commitment to enrichment of students. He asked that the men step up and be more proactive in the community. He Thanked the Viking Pride for their presentation. He asked that residents please shop Inkster businesses. He asked that a date be set for the City Clerk goal setting session. Additionally, he asked if judgments can be placed on the tax roll. Furthermore, he stated that he broke his own rules. He said that he is the main person on City Council who is always asking that three proposals be submitted to Council when soliciting for services. He said there was a quick need to move forward quickly with the Risk Management services.
- **Councilman Shaw**-Asked was the corrective action plan sent off to the state regarding the Audit findings. He stated that it is pothole season and asked was the city set up to deal with the potholes. Furthermore, he asked if additional Code Enforcement was in place with the grant money that was submitted.
- **Mayor Hampton**-Asked the City Manager questions about JB Bar on Michigan Ave. Stated he does not want to see Inkster High School torn down and is looking at development long term for the high school. Asked residents to participate and help to commensurate the 50th Anniversary celebration. Furthermore, he said that orientation period is used for purposes of discussion of agenda items. He said that he had some questions about Risk Management Associates and asked that it be tabled to adhere to the City Charter with obtaining three proposals. He reminded City Council members to try and be consistent and when policy actions are taken. He stated that out of the fourteen years of him being Mayor of the City of Inkster, these were the worst three years he has experienced. He further reminded Council members that he is one vote and has been more right then wrong. He said he will continue to follow thru with asking questions when it is time to make decisions. He mentioned that the City Charter needs to be revised and said the Charter does not allow him to have tools to implement policy.

City Clerk

Stated there would be a February 25, 2014 Westwood School Election.
She solicited residents to participate and become Election inspectors.

City Manager

- Thanked City Council for the opportunity to serve
- Thanked the Department heads.
- Thanked Mr. Bivins for the snow.
- Thanked Ms. Fields for stepping in to fill in with additional responsibilities.
- Thanked Chief Napoleon.

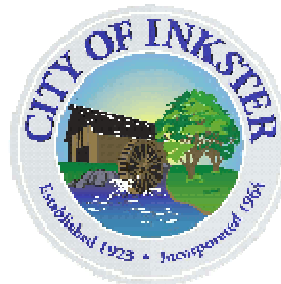
- Thanked Deatris Richardson
- Stated he would continue to have one on one's with City Council as a means to continue to educate one another on issues.
- Mentioned to Councilman Canty that the Pension issues are a high priority.

Closed Session

Council convenes into a Closed Executive Session to discuss pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.286 (e).

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on motion duly made by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks and carried, the Regular Council meeting of December January 21, 2014 was adjourned at 11:05 p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster