

February 3, 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 Monday, February 3, 2014

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

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:31 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	Absent
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 Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
to approve the agenda as amended with added item "G" under New Business.
Resolution 02-14-15R - Motion carried**

Presentations/Discussion

A. Mr. and Mrs. Bill and Pam Rushlow-Certificate of Appreciation.

Public Hearings

A. Amendment to the City of Inkster Code of Ordinances addressing Floodplain Management Provisions of the State Construction Code as amended.

**Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
to open the Public Hearing.
Resolution 02-14-16R- Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty
to close the Public Hearing.
Resolution 02-14-17R- Motion carried unanimously.**

Consent Agenda

- A. January 21, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

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

Resolution 02-14-18R-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 Jean Overman to the Police and Fire Retirement System Board of Trustees.

Resolution 02-14-19R-Motion Carried unanimously.

Previous Business

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

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

Resolution 02-14-20R-Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Moner to rescind Commercial and Residential Water Shut Off Policies.

Resolution 02-14-21R-Motion carried.

Nay: (Williams)

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks, Seconded by Councilmember Canty to instruct the Administration to explore bringing forth to City Council an amendment to the Water Shut-Off Ordinance that addresses determining the classification of hardships and look into monthly billing and bring the information to City Council within thirty days (30).

Resolution 02-14-22R-Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance(s)

- A. Second reading of the City of Inkster Code of Ordinances with an Ordinance addressing Floodplain Management Provisions of the State Construction Code as amended.

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Moner to approve the second reading of the City of Inkster Floodplain Management Provisions of the State Construction Code as amended.

Resolution 02-14-23R-Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider approval of an Ordinance to affirm responsibility by the City of Inkster to enforce responsibility of regulated flood hazards areas under the provisions of the State Code Act as amended.

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
to approve regulated flood hazard areas under the State Code Act.**

Resolution 02-14-24R- Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider authorization to auction City-owned Properties commonly known as Dearborn Acres Sub 1 and industrial Acres.

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
to approve the auctioning of City-owned properties known as Dearborn Acres.**

Resolution 02-14-25R- Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case # LD13-17) 4164 Harriet and adjoining vacant lot (commonly known as 4172 Harriet) which are located on the west side of Harriet between Pine and Andover and are legally described as Lots 863 and 864 Dearborn Acres Sub No. 2 T2S R9E L33 P79 WCR (Property ID # 009-02-0863-000 and 009-02-0864-000) in the total amount of \$1,750.00 to Melvin Steed.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw
to approve the purchase of 4164 Harriet and adjoining vacant lot.**

Resolution 02-14-26R- Motion carried unanimously.

- D. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider approval to hold a public hearing on February 17, 2014 and March 3, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers for the Wayne County 2014-2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Williams
to approve Public Hearings to be held February 17th and March 3rd, 2014.**

Resolution 02-14-27R- Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consider approving the entering of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for cutting and maintaining grass on State Truckline (Michigan Avenue) of the Michigan Inter-Government Trade Network (MITN).

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
to approve an RFP for maintaining grass on State Truckline (Michigan Ave.).**

Resolution 02-14-28R- Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider authorizing issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for acquisition and development of Annapolis Pointe located near the northeast corner of Annapolis and Middlebelt.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks, Seconded by Councilmember Williams

to approve an RFP for acquisition and development of Annapolis Pointe.

Resolution 02-14-29R-Motion carried unanimously.

- G. Discussion/Action: (City Council) to vote in accordance with pending litigation that was taken in closed session.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks, Seconded by Councilmember Williams

to vote in accordance with pending litigation that was taken in closed session.

Resolution 02-14-30R-Motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation

- **Octavia Smith**-Informed residents that the Inkster Chamber Annual Mixer will be held at Inkster Valley Golf Course on March 25, 2014 from 6-8pm. The cost is \$25.00 for non-member and \$20.00 for members. Additionally Western Wayne Family Health Center is hiring for their new Lincoln Park facility. She said the Month of February is Happy Heart Month.
- **Dorothy Gardner**-Asked who owns the house on the Southwest corner of Manning and Beech. She asked for clarification regarding the Parks and Recreation Retirees being paid out of two mills. Additionally she inquired about the "YMCA" leaving and paying rent money that they owed the city. She also wanted to know can Christmas lights be put up this year.
- **Gabe Henderson**-Wished everyone a Happy New Year. He also asked residents to please get involved with the Inkster Goodfellows.
- **Ms. Calhoun**-Informed residents of the Inkster Citizens Who Care Luncheon on February 22, 2014 at 11am at the Avenue Banquet Hall on Michigan Ave. She said they would be discussing Obama care.
- **Willie Johnson**-Wished everyone a Happy New Year. He said homes in the city are still being stripped. Additionally he said the water bills are misquoted and people are leaving Inkster.
- **Ernest Hendricks**-Stated he was glad to see Councilmember Moner back. He asked how an amount owed for the water bill can be taken off taxes. He asked is AMTRAK using the brush pile site to store their cross tires. Additionally he said he is glad DPS did the snow but asked is the city without salt. He said the streets need to be salted.
- **Connie Davis Horne**-Stated that a City of Inkster Police Officer stopped her during a routine traffic stop. She said she asked the officer if she was going to get a ticket and he responded that it depended on how he made her feel. She said she had been to the Police Station to file a complaint and the report was not taken. She would like the issue to be looked into further.
- **George Williams**-Needed information regarding placement of Judgments 1, 2, 3 on the tax rolls. Additionally he said that the City of Inkster has followed the Consent Agreement and they have a City Manager who will lead the city out of bondage and the State says he can not take full power. Additionally he asked if the City Council approved the FY14 budget. Lastly he asked about the Block Grant money.

Mayor and Council Communications

- **Councilman Williams**-Asked city residents to support and shop Inkster. He said he has been receiving several meetings about tax judgments 1, 2, 3 and asked the City Attorney to please provide him the statue stating that judgments can be placed on the tax roll.
- **Councilman Moner**- Informed residents that it was Councilman Canty's Birthday. Additionally he mentioned the name of Lance Corporal Richard E. Wilson who was a Veteran.
- **Councilman Shaw**- Asked about Wayne County giving money for demolition. He thanked Wylinda Smith for volunteering and thanked Pastor Buckworth of Consiminy Baptist Church for opening his doors to the seniors for Advance Fitness.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks**-Stated that when Administration answers residents concerns, that he be provided with the same answers as residents. Stated that he would like the City Attorney to provide some information regarding judgments being placed on the tax roll. Additionally he said he would like to know the procedure for requesting and getting police reports.
- **Mayor Hampton**-Reminded individuals in need of Healthcare to inquire about the Affordable Healthcare Act (Obama care). He thanked Consiminay Baptist Church for opening their doors to the seniors while the Inkster Recreation Complex is closed. He stated that there is a bill that is going thru the legislator quickly and if it becomes law, the control of Inkster Public High School would be a part of that law. He stated that Taylor school district would possibly be reusing the Baylor-Woodson school. He asked everyone to put their heads together real quick and come up with alternative ideas to utilize Inkster High School. Lastly he read an article that sums up the predicament that Inkster has been battling the last couple of years. The article summarized that State Revenue Sharing was down and for cities and yet the State of Michigan is boosting about a surplus when several cities in Michigan have Emergency Managers and the condition of cities are worse off.

City Clerk

City Manager

- Stated to residents about Public Participation during the 6:00 p.m. City Council Orientation.
- Thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity to serve.
- Thanked Department head Jerome Bivins for his diligence with snow removal.
- Thanked City Treasurer, Mark Stuhldreher.
- Thanked City Clerk, Felicia Rutledge.
- Thanked City Attorney, David Jones.
- Thanked Jeannie Fields.
- Commented about the Affordable Healthcare Act.
- Stated that Ken Cole was arranging a meeting regarding Inkster High School.

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 Councilmember Moner and carried, the Regular Council meeting of February 3, 2014 was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

APPROVED



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster