

February 17, 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 17, 2014.

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: The following items were discussed: RMA, Westland Arial Ladder Truck, Livernois Automotive and the agenda.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:47 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	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 Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty
to approve the agenda as amended.**

Resolution 02-14-31R - Motion carried.

Nay: (Shaw)

Presentations/Discussion

- A. Viking Pride- Proclamation.
- B. UHY Legal Services Evaluation.

Public Hearings (N/A)

- A. CDBG 2014/2015 CDBG Public Hearing

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams
to open the public hearing.**

Resolution 02-14-32R- Motion Carried unanimously.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw
to close the public hearing.**

Resolution 02-14-33R- Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- A. February 3, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. Allen Brother's & Attorney's PLLC. Invoice \$27,106.12

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

Resolution 02-14-34R- Motion carried unanimously.

Boards and Commission

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

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action (City Council): Consider approval for Mayor Hilliard Hampton to Vice President Biden's Black History Month Celebration in Washington with a \$1000.00 cap on reimbursable expenses.

**Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
to send Mayor Hampton to Washington, D.C. for a Black History Month
Celebration.**

Resolution 02-14-35R Motion carried.

Roll Call:

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

Public Participation

- **Ruthie Williams**-Informed residents of the Inkster City That Cares luncheon on February 22, 2014. The Topic of discussion will be Obama care.
- **George Williams**-Asked are case settlements that are in closed session suppose to go on the minutes. He would like further communication about the minutes. He would like to know how the settlement process works.

Mayor and Council Communications

- **Councilman Moner**-Read the name of Veteran Lance Corporal Richard A Dudek in the U.S. Marine Corp. Additionally, he mentioned the completion of the City Calendar.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks**-Asked the City Manager if residents had been responded to from the last City Council meeting. He stated he would like to be informed by receiving those same responses. Additionally he inquired about the Recreation Complex opening back up.
- **Councilwoman Howard**-Inquired about the checks that the city receives. She said it is taking too long to cash resident's checks and checks should be cashed daily. She asked if additional staff was needed and are employees working on Friday to help assist with the input of checks. Furthermore, she said the lines are too long and residents that come to pay their bills should be in and out.
- **Councilman Canty**-Responded to Councilwoman Howard's comments and stated that the City Treasurer stated that the issue of depositing checks had been resolved. He stated that this issue was one of the Audit findings.
- **Councilman Shaw**-Asked about Annapolis Pointe and Stratford Place. Additionally he asked if the outside paint on city hall could be changed from the color purple and if an ATM machine could be placed at city hall. Furthermore, he stated that the city needs to utilize the newspaper more in telling the story of Inkster and how we are open for business.
- **Councilman Williams**-Asked all residents to support the City of Inkster and shop Inkster. Additionally he stated that he went to a NAACP meeting and wanted citizens to be informed that some citizens have a difference of opinion about getting the school district back and saving Inkster High School. He also stated that he is looking into doing a Memorial Day Parade and if there are any volunteers please contact him at 734-748-0302.
- **Mayor Hampton**-Stated that it is important to try and save the iconic Inkster High School. He said that he thinks the building can be put to reuse, maybe with retrofitting to accommodate a Senior Center, training facility or a Community College satellite school. Additionally he stated that more effort can be put into finding out about recourse with Livernois Automotive and suggested having the City Attorney look into the matter.

City Clerk

- Informed residents of the February 25, 2014 Westwood Schools Millage election.

City Manager

- Informed residents of public participation during orientation. He said that more time can be given during that portion of the meeting to answer resident questions.
- Stated that proposals for the Civic Center area were due February 17, 2014 and three proposals were turned in. He provided the proposal from MJC Companies and CMA Design Services to City Council.

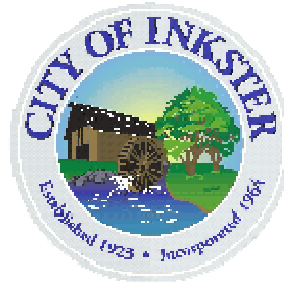
Closed Session

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 Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty and carried, the Regular Council meeting of February 17, 2014 was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

APPROVED



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster