

May 5, 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 May 5, 2014.

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: City Council members discussed the agenda.

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty that Council convenes into a Closed Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. to discuss pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.286 (e).

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: 7

NAYS: 0

ABSENT:

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Moner that Council calls a recess for the closed Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Moner that Council reconvene into a closed Executive Session at 10:35 p.m.

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty to adjourn the Closed Executive Session at 11:00p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:41 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 with removing item "C" from the Consent Agenda and making it item "B" under New Business.

Resolution 05-14-73R - Motion carried unanimously.

Presentations/Discussion

- A. Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy for spring and summer 2014- Jerome Bivins & John Adams
- B. Spring Clean 2014 Update-Jerome Bivins
- C. Southwest Block Club Bazaar- Jessica Russell

Public Hearings

- A. Public Hearing on the FY2014 – 2015 Proposed Budget.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
to open the FY2014-2015 proposed budget hearing.

Resolution 05-14-74R-Motion carried unanimously.

- Ruthie Williams- Stated she sees no funds in the Parks and Recreation department for Youth Services. She asked would funds for youth be put in the budget.
- George Williams- Stated the mileage money that was voted on was earmarked for youth and senior programs and he said that is what the money should be used for.
- Willie Johnson- Stated that our schools were taken and the youth need programs.
- Larry Bonereck- Asked City Council to be realistic about the budget when preparing. He further stated that the parks need to be fixed and maybe some basketball courts added.
- Noel Carter- Stated that she lives in Dartmouth and that vacant buildings in her area are not boarded up. She asked where her tax money is going. She said that her grass isn't cut, and there is flooding in the area.
- Simeon Rose- Stated that their needs to be youth programs for the kids.
- Resident- Stated that the Treasurer needs to do something for the kids

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Williams
to close the FY2014-2015 proposed budget hearing.

Resolution 05-14-75R-Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- A. April 21, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. April 17, 2014 Special City Council Minutes.
- ***C. Allen Brother's & Attorneys, PLLC. Invoice \$21,338.16 (*item "B" under New Business*)

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

Resolution 05-14-76R- Motion carried.

Boards and Commission

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

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Hilton Napoleon) Consider approval of a requested Resolution from the State of Michigan that the City of Inkster provides approved minutes from the City Council meeting exhibiting their intent to accept the CGAP Award of \$486,754.00 for the due diligence associated with the approval of the consolidation of Police services between the City of Inkster and the Wayne County Sheriff's Office.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty
Resolution 05-14-77R-Motion carried.**

- B. Discussion/Action (City Council) Consider approval of the Allen Brother's and Attorney's PLLC invoice in the amount of \$21,338.16.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Williams
Resolution 05-14-78R-Motion carried.**

Public Participation

- **Jessica Russell**-Gave City Council an update about an upcoming Bazaar to be held June sixth, seventh and eighth.
- **Clinese & Tony Harris**-Questions about the accuracy of the new water meters.
- **Catherine Thomas**-Gave information about a burned house that is next door to her home.
- **Willie Johnson**-Gave statements about city streets, housing and Police patrols.
- **Michael Wells**-Stated he was glad to see people out at the Spring Clean but wished more people would have come. He asked which boards and commissions are meeting regularly according to the City Ordinance.
- **Larry Bonarek**-Asked about grass being cut and vacant homes.
- **Hardy Robb**-Asked about the Parks and Recreation budget for kids. He further asked about clean up on Glenwood.
- **Noel Carter**-Stated she had concerns about scrappers, city-wide clean-up, illegal dumping and getting rid of excess tires.
- **Janet**-Moved to the City of Inkster and asked about getting her home up to code. She also had concerns about abandoned homes.

Mayor and Council Communications

- **Councilman Williams**-Asked residents to continue shopping Inkster.
- **Councilman Shaw**-Thanked Code Enforcement Officer Dawn Wall for her efforts with H & H Metal and for her activism with the arrest of two individuals for scrapping. He additionally thanked Code Enforcement Officer, Gina Triplett for her efforts on Colonial Street. He further thanked Department of Public Services Deputy Director, Jerome Bivins for cold patching, Deputy Fire Chief John Adams, for his assistance with residence in Dartmouth Square. He asked the City Attorney about YWCA. He stated that the building next to the marble company has paint coming off and was wondering what could be done to spruce it up. He thanked Tammi Warren for stepping in at the Spring Clean on his behalf.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks**-Stated there is a lot of activity with DTE contractors digging in resident yards. He asked how the process would go to repair the yards and the sidewalks.
- **Councilwoman Howard**-Thanked Chief Adams and Jerome for taking care of the residents in the Dartmouth Square area and for boarding up two houses. She asked about the public auction at the City of Inkster schools and where the profits were being used for.
- **Councilman Moner**-Asked if a Parks and Recreation meeting was going to take place. He mentioned that the City of Detroit was selling land and property for \$1.00 just to get the property

off their hands and to the residents. He gave the Veteran name of SGT. E-5 James Davis, U.S. A and thanked him for his service.

- **Mayor Hampton** Asked about the website and the cable channel. He said that direction was given to the City Clerk with those tasks. He asked the City Manager if he was in charge of those items. He asked about the Recreation Complex and if the check had been received from the insurance company. He stated that it has been two weeks and the city should have received a check by now.

City Clerk

- An informed resident of the August fifth Primary election and the last day to register to vote is July seventh.

City Manager

- Thanked the leadership team, he stated everyone is doing more with less.
- Thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity to serve.
- Informed residents and Council that the city has one thousand buildable lots that will be placed for sale at a reasonable price.

Closed Session

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Moner that Council reconvene into a closed session at 10:35 p.m.

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty to adjourn the Closed Executive Session at 11:00p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on motion duly made by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Moner and carried, the Regular Council meeting of May 5, 2014 was adjourned at 11:005 p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster