

May 4, 2015

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 4, 2015

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

- The agenda.
- Introduction of the New Interim Police.

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty that Council convenes into a Closed Executive Session at 7:15 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 Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty to adjourn the closed Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hampton called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

City Council and the public in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Prayer

There Prayer was lead Michael Branch.

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 Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to approve the agenda with added items "B", "C", "D", "E" under Presentations. Resolution 05-15-81R - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

- A. Governmental Consulting Services – Ken Cole
- B. State Representative - Julie Plawecki
- C. Commissioner LeBlanc's Office – Mary McClendon
- D. Viking Pride – DeAtriss Richardson
- E. Introduction of Interim Chief of Police – Richard Marsh

Public Hearings

- A. Discussion/Action: FY2016 Budget Public Hearing.

Moved by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Moner to open the public hearing on the FY2016 Budget. Resolution 05-15-85R – Motion carried.

- **George Williams – Asked if Plante and Moran services were still retained, how much were McKenna Services being paid and how much does the city see from the seventy thirty split. Stated the budget did not show specific line items on the website. Further stated, if the youth were included in the new miliage proposal language.**

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks to close the public hearing on the FY2016 Budget. Resolution 05-15-86R – Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

- A. April 20, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. Allen Brother's and Attorney's PLLC Invoice \$34,243.66.

Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty Resolution 05-15-82R – Motion carried.

Boards and Commission

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

Previous Business

Ordinances

- A. First Reading(s)
- B. Second Reading(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case #LD15-2) 3573 Ash which is located on the east side of Ash between Carlyse and Beech and is legally described as Lots 54 and 55 Westwood Heights Sub T2S R9E L63 P2 WCR (Property ID#44-010-03-0054-301) in the total amount of \$2,500 to Phillip Terrance Franklin.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw
Resolution 05-15-83R – Motion carried.**

- B. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case #LD15-3) 3565 Ash which is located on the east side of Ash between Carlyse and Beech and is legally described as Lots 52 and 53 Westwood Heights Sub T2S R9E L63 P2 WCR (Property ID# 44-010-03-0052-301) in the total amount of \$2,500 to Jinnie B. Howard.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw
Resolution 05-15-84R – Motion carried.**

Public Participation

Shirley Hankerson – Stated there are debris problems on Grandview to Middlebelt to Henry Ruff.

Top Ladies of Distinction – Stated they would like to develop a recycle program within the city. They further stated they would be passing out flyers at various locations to see if this would be something that the community would be interested in making work.

Carl Ellis Gibbs – Stated he has done some research on Mayor Hilliard Hampton and the different boards, commissions and various job capacities that he has held. He further stated that the city should honor him for being Mayor of the City.

Daisy Truss – Gave various updates for the Inkster Family Literacy Program.

Juanita Davis – Stated she had concerns regarding the Inkster Greenway. She asked Mayor and Council if they have ever walked the greenway or seen any residents utilizing the greenway. She further stated if Police Officers patrolled the greenway. She stated that Mr. Williams should be allowed some money for youth projects.

Dorothy Gardner – Stated she asked questions in March and still have not received a written answer. She further stated that the city needs to look at developing a Historical Society. Even further, she asked if the city had a noise ordinance.

Sandra Watley – Updated residents on the Troops Need Love packaging to take place on May 9, 2015 at the St. Episcopal Church. She stated that Walgreens and Kroger's are major contributors in assisting with the Troops Need Love. She thanked the City Clerk for assisting with a voter informational question and answer period.

Karen Lee- Stated she is still waiting to receive answers in writing regarding questions asked on March 15, 2015.

Mayor and Council Communication

Councilwoman Howard – Stated that maybe administration should look at placing the answers to questions asked by residents on the website or where agendas are picked up.

Councilman Williams – Encouraged residents to shop Inkster. He further stated that a Memorial Day Parade will take place in the City on Memorial Day. He asked for Mayor and Council to participate and extended an invitation to any Veteran to participate and be honored.

Councilman Moner – Thanked Veteran Albert J. Jackson-Vietnam Veteran for his service and dedication to our country. He further stated that he supports the Top Ladies of Distinction for their efforts on encouraging the city to do more with recycling. He further gave recognition to Officer Clark Drew who works the front desk at the Police Department for the excellent job he does with helping residents and others with issues.

Councilman Shaw – Stated that there is a sight on Rosewood and Central that is being used for a dump. He further stated he would like for a stop sign to go at Woodland and Glennwood. Even further he asked about the update with the DEQ, the property expansion at 290300 Michigan Ave, the calls for Police service and about the meeting with the State Treasurer's office. Lastly, he stated that he is elated that the water and sewer rates are going down.

Councilman Canty – Stated that the he was one of the attendees of the meeting with the State Treasury Department. He stated that Administration was contacted and asked not attend the meeting. He stated the meeting focused on the consent agreement, a five year sustainable plan, the budget, a direct focus on economic development, elimination of the Brownfield deficit, Wayne County sewer debt, a permanent Chief of Police, litigation and lack of liability insurance, and the transfer of power back to the City Manager. He stated the State Treasury Department stated they are happy with the job that Mark Stuhldreher is doing and will leave the consent powers with the Treasurer.

Mayor Hampton – Asked if an indemnification policy was in place for Police Officers. Further asked to administration why the city did not go after the SEMCOG TAPP Grant. He further stated that match money for grants needs to be earmarked in the budget incase there is a local match for a grant.

City Clerk

Encouraged all residents to get out and participate in the election process and vote.

City Manager

Thanked Interim Chief Thomas.

Stated that 710 Middlebelt has been sold.

Thanked the citizens for their support during tough times.

Stated that \$810,000 surplus is projected in next year's budget.

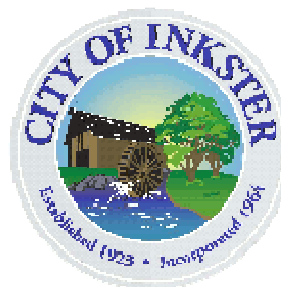
Thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity to serve.

Thanked citizens for keeping city administration engages.

Closed Session

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw and carried, the Regular Council meeting of May 4, 2015 was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.



APPROVED

Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster