

September 8, 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 Tuesday, September 8, 2015

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

- The agenda.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Prayer

Prayer was led by Rev. Clyde Franklin of Northwest Church of Christ.

Roll Call

Mayor Hampton	Exc. Absence	Councilwoman Howard	Exc. Absence
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 Williams
to approve the agenda.**

Resolution 09-15-168R - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

- Senior Olympic Recognition/Presentation – Denise Champagne
- Wayne County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc's Office – Mary McClendon

Public Hearings

- A public hearing on an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to allow Second Hand Stores in the B-2 Thoroughfare Mixed Use District per the Planning Commission's recommendation.

- No public comment.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Williams
to OPEN the public hearing.
Resolution 09-15-169R - Motion carried.**

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty
to CLOSE the public hearing.
Resolution 09-15-170R - Motion carried**

Consent Agenda

- A. August 17, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. August 31, 2015 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.
- C. Allen Brother's PLLC Invoice \$34,599.34

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty
Resolution 09-15-171R – Motion carried.**

Boards and Commission

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

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

- A. First Reading(s)
 - 1. A first reading on an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to allow Second Hand Stores in the B-2 Thoroughfare Mixed Use District per the Planning Commission's recommendation.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw
Resolution 09-15-172R – Motion carried.**

- B. Second Reading(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consider authorizing Administration to adopt the attached Resolution to establish a request for funding from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for the Greenway Phase II Project.

**Moved by Councilmember Moner, Seconded by Councilmember Canty
Resolution 09-15-173R – Motion carried.
NAY: (Shaw)**

- B. Discussion/Action: (John Adams) Consider authorization to transfer blighted city owned residential properties to the Michigan Land Bank (MLB) for demolition under the Hardest Hit Grant with MSDHA.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Moner
Resolution 09-15-174R – Motion carried.

Public Participation

- **NiGayle J Muhammad** – Invited all to join the Inkster local organizing committee for the 20th Anniversary of the Million Man March. She stated that meetings are held every Wednesday at St. Clements Episcopal Church at 6:00 p.m. Further stated a Town Hall meeting will be hosted on September 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
- **Michael Wells** – Thanked Mr. Bivins for cutting the grass at the library. He stated the reading rally was a huge success. He announced upcoming events for the library. He asked that residents not put trash in the recycle bin.
- **Daisy Truss** – Announced upcoming events for the Family Literacy Program.
- **Willie Johnson** – Stated homes on Duran Street in the needed to be demolished. He stated there is still dumping on Cherry Street.
- **Dorothy Gardner** – Announced the Senior Picnic on Friday September 11, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.
- **Earl Truss** – Asked to have an explanation how the City Treasurer became the City Manager. He further asked were there any conflicts of interest.
- **George Williams** – Had a complaint about a home that is located behind his house. He stated the home has skunks, raccoons and cats.
- **Sandra Watley** – Apologized to the residents for her comments at the last city council meeting. She stated that ICAN will be hosting an informational session on how to read your water meter and dispute a water bill.

Mayor and Council Communication

- **Councilman Moner** – Gave tribute to Veteran Roosevelt Stubbs, Vietnam Veteran and thanked him for his service. He additionally stated that recycling would take place on the second Saturday behind the old Inkster Pharmacy.
- **Councilman Williams** – Asked administration about grass cutting by the old Inkster High school and tall bushes being cut at the trailer park on Harrison and Michigan Ave. He stated that Ms. Lee did not get a response from the last council meeting. He announced that ICARE will be hosting a chicken and waffle event for a coat drive for children and the tickets are ten dollars. He stated he attended a NAN meeting and there are rumors going around that the city of Inkster is going to be dissolved. He additionally said that District 1 is in the Inkster school district for purposes of the Homestead Millage. He invited residents to shop Inkster.
- **Councilman Canty** – Stated that the city of Inkster is incorporated and it can't be dissolved unless the people choose to have it dissolved. He additionally stated that his term is up on Nankin Transit in October and the council needs to replace him. He thanked Michael Wells for ZENO a web based magazine service that is offered at the library. Lastly he stated that there are a lot of police killings going on nationwide and he asked that people be aware of police officers that go out and risk their lives for residents.
- **Councilman Shaw** – Asked administration about the brush on Avondale and Allen, MISHDA Multi-family development behind Stratford place, why Code Enforcement is not moving over to the Police Department.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Hendricks** – Commented regarding the Trahey lawsuit and stated that at the beginning of the lawsuit he wanted residents to know we are all in this together and that with the appeal process we are all in this together. He further asked city administration to have compassion on the residents when making a decision on what to do about the appeal.
- **County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc** – Stated the county budget was submitted late and that each department was asked to cut by five percent. He further stated the county would be entering a consent agreement within the next two weeks.

City Clerk

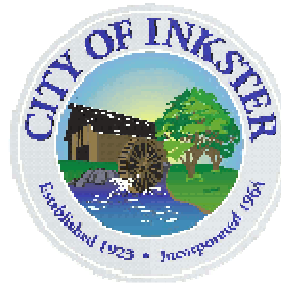
- Reiterated she would contact the State about District 1 as part of the Inkster school district.

City Manager

Closed Session

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember Canty, Seconded by Councilmember Moner and carried, the Regular Council meeting of September 8, 2015 was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster