

August 1, 2016

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, August 1, 2016.

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

- A. The agenda.
- B. ReInvent Inkster – Jeannie Fields

Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Councilmember Oden Council convenes into a Closed Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.286 (e).

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSENT:

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Jones to adjourn the closed Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:51 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. Willie Cooper

Roll Call

Mayor Nolen	Present	Councilwoman Howard	Present
Councilwoman Watley	Present	Mayor Pro-Tem Williams	Present
Councilman Oden	Present	Councilman Jones	Present
Councilwoman Richardson	Present		

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilmember Oden, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams
to approve the agenda with added items to Presentations.
Resolution 8-16-192R - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

- National Christian in Action Network – Rev. George Williams
- NLC Service Line Provider – Mike Chambers
- Safety on Wheels – Police Chief, William Riley
- Clean-Up – Fire Chief,
- Boy Scouts Explorer Program

Public Hearings

Consent Agenda

- A. July 18, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Moved Councilmember Richardson, Seconded by Councilmember Jones
to approved the Consent Agenda.
Resolution 8-16-193R**

Boards and Commission

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

**Moved by Councilmember Oden, Seconded by Councilmember Richardson
to appoint Tanya Williams to the Brownfield Redevelopment
Resolution 8-16-194R – Motion carried.**

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

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

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Chuck Hubbard) Consideration approval to purchase one rescue truck with government pricing through Mercy Sales Inc. by leasing for five (5) years at a total cost of \$165,579.00 with 20% down and a payment of \$28,176.49 per year, due each December.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Oden
to approve the purchase of one rescue truck with government pricing through
Mercy Sales, Inc. by leasing for five (5) years at a total cost of \$165,579.00
with 20% down and a payment of \$28,176.49 per year, due each December.
Resolution 8-16-195R – Motion carried.**

- B. Discussion/Action (Chuck Hubbard) Consider approval for the purchase of a new set of Hurst Hydraulic Spreaders pricing through Apollo Fire Equipment for a total cost of \$11,500.00.

Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to approve the purchase of a new set of Hurst Hydraulic Spreaders, pricing through Apollo Fire Equipment for a total cost of \$11,500.00.

Resolution 8-16-196R – Motion carried.

- C. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider approval of a Special Conditions Use (SCU 16-17) to allow a retail store and office space for a graphic design related business in the Town Center District (TCD) per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. The applicant is LaShawn Todd.

Moved by Councilmember Oden, Seconded by Councilmember Jones to approve a Special Conditions Use (SCU 16-17) to allow a retail store and office space for a graphic design related business in the Town Center District (TCD) per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. The applicant is LaShawn Todd.

Resolution 8-16-197R – Motion carried

- D. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider adoption of the ReInvent Inkster Strategic Action Plan per the recommendation of the ReInvent Inkster Steering Committee.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Jones to adopt the ReInvent Inkster Strategic Action Plan per the recommendation of the ReInvent Inkster Steering Committee.

Resolution 8-16-198R – Motion carried

- E. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consider approval of the acquisition of twenty two (22) properties under the First Right of Refusal to Purchase Tax Foreclosed Property in Wayne County and transfer the properties along with two (2) city-owned properties to the State Land Bank for demolition under the Help for Hardest Hit Blight Elimination Program.

Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to approve the acquisition of twenty (22) properties under the First Right of Refusal to Purchase Tax Foreclosed Property in Wayne County and transfer the properties along with two (2) city-owned properties to the State Land Bank for demolition under the Help for Hardest Hit Blight Elimination Program.

Resolution 8-16-199R – Motion carried.

- F. Discussion/Action: (City Council) Consider approval of the acquisition of seventeen (17) properties under the First Right of Refusal to Purchase Tax Foreclosed Property in Wayne County to sell to Renaissance Community Development, LLC. in the amount of \$9,993.00.

Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve the acquisition of seventeen (17) properties under the First Right of Refusal to Purchase Tax Foreclosed Property in Wayne County to sell to

Renaissance Community Development, LLC. in the amount of \$9,993.33.
Resolution 8-16-200R – Motion carried.
NAY: (Howard, Williams)

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Jones	Yea	Councilmember Oden	Yea
Mayor Pro-Tem Williams	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Mayor Nolen	Yea
Councilmember Richardson	Yea		

Public Participation

- **Regina Lewis** – Asked in case of an emergency or if a disaster is declared what should residents do.
- **Octavia Smith** – Announced half off ads for the Chamber of Commerce booklet. Additionally she announced the Community Fun Day at Starfish on August 12, 2016 from 4-7p.m. lastly, she thanked the Inkster Police and Fire Department for their support of the Chamber of Commerce.
- **Juan Bradford** – Thanked the new Fire Chief. Stated he the Robichaud Alumni would be hosting an all class picnic September 3, 2016. Additionally, he asked that city council consider waiving the fees.
- **Dorothy Gardner** – Reminded the Department Heads that the Senior picnic is coming up and if they have not RSVP they should do so. She thanked Chief Riley for the Crime Summit that the Police Department put on.
- **Rev. George Williams** – Announced National Christians in Action Network annual Fish Fry on September 17, 2016.
- **Gabe Henderson** – Stated that the commission for the Beautification Commission is small but they do a lot of work within the city. He said their needs to be a clean up in Lemoyne Park.
- **Ronald Johnson** – Asked who pays for the maintenance of property if it goes to the land bank. He stated he was going to have comments about the proposed charter. He further stated that citizens may have some questions to ask and they should be allowed to ask from the floor.
- **Hardy Robb** – Thanked Mr. Bivins for the grass cutting. He further stated that transparency is important. Lastly he stated that the Certificate of Occupancy process within the city needed to be looked into.
- **Stephanie Taylor** – Had comments about the process for first right of refusal. She further stated she wanted to make sure that the city was getting all the dollars it could from properties being sold.

City Clerk

- Encouraged residents to get out and vote at their polling locations for the August 2, 2016 State Primary. She further stated that the August 30, 2016 election has been cancelled.

City Manager

- Stated that the city-wide street sweep will take place for the next two weeks. Lastly he stated that recently the Police Department has received numerous calls regarding paint ball shootings. He said if any persons witness this please contact the Police Department.

Mayor and Council

- **Mayor Pro-Tem Williams** – Stated that the city should be looking ahead to the twenty, twenty census to increase the citizenship before then. He invited residents to shop Inkster.

- **Councilman Jones** – Stated that he is glad to be back from his one month long training. He stated he will be leaving again Friday for a two week training. He lastly stated that he was told he has been nominated to replace the late State Representative, Julie Plawewski on the ballot.
- **Councilwoman Richardson** – Stated that back in the day the Fire Department use to store water and food in case of emergency situations.
- **Councilman Oden** – Stated that there are a lot of signs in inappropriate places for person being elected. He thanked the Police Department for the Community Forum. He said that the ReInvent Inkster presentation was very informative. Lastly he stated that the city needed to continue being cleaned up.
- **Mayor Nolen** – State that the CERT Team would be brought back. He additionally stated that with the seventeen home purchase, the dollars would go to the city, whereas if the properties were sold at the auction that money would go to Wayne County. He further said that the city council meeting is a business meeting where elected officials conduct business. He stated that questions from the floor are not appropriate. He said that he wants the public to speak but during the appropriate time. Lastly he said the Crime Forum that was put on by the Police Department was a great event.

Closed Session

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember Watley, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams and carried, the Regular Council meeting of August 1, 2016 was adjourned at 9:47 p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster