

May 1, 2017

Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 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 1, 2017.

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

- A. Agenda Discussion
- B. Plante and Moran Contract Discussion/Presentation – LaTonya Edwards, Laura Knapp & Bill Brickey.
- C. Nixle Presentation – Chuck Hubbard & Lindsey Rogers.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm council convenes into a Closed Executive Session a 6:55 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 Mitchell to adjourn the closed Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:45p.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 Evangelist Cooper

Roll Call

Mayor Nolen	Present	Councilwoman Howard	Present
Councilwoman Watley	Present	Mayor Pro-Tem Williams	Present
Councilman Oden	Exc. Absence	Councilman Chisholm	Present
Councilwoman Mitchell	Present		

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to approve the agenda with the addition of item “B” under Consent Agenda. 5-17-103R - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

- A. Lowering of Natural Gas Cost Presentation – Jerome Bivins, DPS Director
- B. Streetlights Presentation – Jerome Bivins, DPS Director

Public Hearings

A. A public hearing on the proposed City of Inkster fiscal year 2017-2018 budget beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and the property millage rate proposed to be levied and the water and sewer rates.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to OPEN a public hearing for the proposed City of Inkster fiscal year 2017-2018 budget beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and the property millage rate proposed to be levied and the water and sewer rates.

Resolution 5-17-104R – Motion carried.

- **Diane Dobson** – Stated that absentee landlords need to bring their homes up to code.
- **Larry Motley** – Stated there is no tax base in the city in the Southwest section. He said that taxes should be lowered in the Southwest section.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to CLOSE a public hearing for the proposed City of Inkster fiscal year 2017-2018 budget beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and the property millage rate proposed to be levied and the water and sewer rates.

Resolution 5-17-105R – Motion carried

Consent Agenda

- A. April 17, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. Allen Brother's and Attorney's PLLC Invoice \$31,743.98

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to approved the Consent Agenda.

Resolution 5-17-106R – Motion carried.

Boards and Commission

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

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to appoint Shirley Hankerson to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Resolution 5-17-107R – Motion carried.

Nominations:

1. Jean Liddell – Commission on Aging
2. Roosevelt Stubbs – Commission on Aging.
3. Police and Fire Pension

4. Jason Turner – Cable Commission

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

- A. First Reading(s)
- B. Second Reading(s)
 - 1. A ***second*** reading on a proposed amendment to the City of Inkster Code of Ordinance for amending the word "City Manager" to "Mayor" in all the Ordinances per the passage of the New City Charter.

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Felicia Rutledge) Consideration and approval of a proposed amendment to the City of Inkster Code of Ordinance for amending the word "City Manager" to "Mayor" in all the Ordinances per the passage of the new City Charter.

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to approve of a proposed amendment to the City of Inkster Code of Ordinance for amending the word "City Manager" to "Mayor" in all the Ordinances per the passage of the new City Charter.
Resolution 5-17-108R – Motion carried.

- B. Discussion/Action (Mayor Nolen) Consideration and approval to open City IT Services for RFP.

Moved by Councilmember Chisholm, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to open City IT Services for RFP.
Resolution 5-17-109R – Motion carried.

- C. Discussion/Action: (Felicia Rutledge) Consideration and approval to accept the State of Michigan Department of State and Wayne County, City of Inkster Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Grant agreement for voting system hardware and the purchase of a High Speed Absentee Voter Counter.

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to approve to accept the State of Michigan Department of State and Wayne County, City of Inkster Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Grant agreement for voting system hardware and the purchase of a High Speed Absentee Voter Counter and to move funds from 101-215-801-000 (Professional Consultant) to 101-215-9777-000 (Equipment)
Resolution 5-17-110R – Motion carried.

- D. Discussion/Action: (Darin Carrington) Consideration and approval for the Grant Administrator to have the ability to change/alter work rules and schedules consistent with the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Moved by Councilmember Chisholm, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams

**to approve to allow the Grant Administrator to have the ability to change/alter work rules and schedules consistent with the Fair Labor Standards Act.
Resolution 5-17-111R – Motion carried.**

- E. Discussion/Action: (Darin Carrington) Consideration and approval of grievance settlement with Lt. Jeffrey Twardzik funds in the amount of \$3,500 to be moved from account 101-266-807-100 to account 101-301-801-000

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to approve of a grievance settlement with Lt. Jeffrey Twardzik funds to be disbursed from account #11-31-801-000.
Resolution 5-17-112R – Motion carried.**

Public Participation

- **Mary McClendon** – Stated that Commissioner Glenn Anderson will be hosting an out of school skating party. The skate party will be held on August 12, 2017 at Skate land West.
- **Larry Motley** – Stated that the rezoning that took place in his district is specifically for Medical Marijuana. He stated that a city budget can't be ran on drugs. He further stated that street drugs are taking over the Inkster community.
- **Deborah Elliott** – Stated that a dedication would be taking place on May 12, 2017 to Paul and Victoria Kennedy. She said that they assist the city with the meals on wheels delivery.
- **Officer Lebo** – Announced the Bake Sale to be hosted by the seniors to purchase a snow cone machine for the Movie Night on May 26, 2017.
- **Shirley Hankerson** – Stated she has been assisting with street drugs for the past four years within the city. She stated that the city needs to come together in those efforts.

City Clerk

- Announced the National Day of Prayer on August 8, 2017. She further announced the August 8, 2017 election only for the Romulus School District voters.

City Treasurer

- Announced the FY17-18 budget adoption at the next City Council meeting.

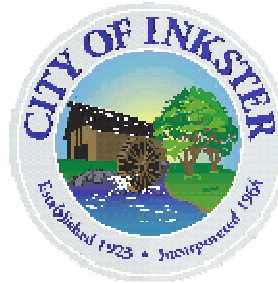
Mayor and Council

- **Councilman Chisholm** – Stated that Representative Jewell Jones received his BA Science degree from the University of Michigan. He thanked DeAndra Watley for all her assistance and everyone who helped him pass out flyers. He further thanked citizens for attending District VI Advisory meeting.
- **Councilwoman Mitchell** – Announced the Moulin Rouge Ball.
- **Councilwoman Howard** – Asked if the council would be receiving the Mayor's monthly reports?
- **Councilwoman Watley** – Apologized to District III. She stated they were recently excluded from the Mayor's newsletter that was disbursed to residents. She said she that the date for District III Advisory meeting should have been included in this newsletter. She stated that anyone who works for the city should do what's necessary for all citizens.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Williams** – Thanked Evangelist Cooper for giving the prayer. He announced the Inkster Spring Clean. He further invited everyone to shop Inkster.
- **Mayor Nolen** – Stated that he was sad to hear about the shootings. He stated that citizens need to know that the Police and he are addressing crime in the community. He further stated that the narrative about Inkster has to be changed.

Closed Session

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Mitchell and carried, the Regular Council meeting of May 1, 2017 was adjourned at 8:45p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster