

December 18, 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, December 18, 2017.

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

- A. Agenda Discussion
- B. Rehmann Robson Audit – Mark Kettner
- C. Schedule B and C Changes – HR Director, Gina Clark

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to go into Executive Session 7:18 p.m. to discuss pending litigation, personnel and land sales in accordance with MCL 15.286 (e). Motion carried unanimously

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to adjourn the closed Executive Session at 7:21 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:25 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 Father Clifton

Roll Call

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

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve the agenda as amended and with added item “J” to New Business. 12-17-281R - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

- A. SeeClickFix Pep Rally – City Clerk/Chief of Staff, Felicia Rutledge & Staff
- B. Gift Card Give-Away – Mayor, Byron Nolen
- C. Inkster Citizens Academy – Police Chief, William Riley and Officer Lebo

Public Hearings

Consent Agenda

A. December 4, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve the consent Agenda.
Resolution 12-17-282R – Motion carried.**

Boards and Commission

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

**Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Councilmember Oden To rescind the appointment of Shelby Johnson to the Parks and Recreation Commission.
Resolution 12-17-283R – Motion carried.**

Nominations:

Kim Faison – Planning Commission
James Richardson, Jr. – Parks and Recreation Commission
Lorenzo Moner – Police and Fire Pension

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

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

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action (Jerome Bivins) Consider authorizing the Director of DPS, as a representative of the City to make an application to the Michigan Department of Transportation for necessary annual permit to work within the State Trunk line rights of way on behalf of the City of Inkster. Also consider adopting the attached resolution to be submitted to MDOT as part of requirement to submit the permit application.

**Moved by Councilmember Watley, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve authorizing the Director of DPS, as a representative of the City to make an application to the Michigan Department of Transportation for necessary annual permit to work within the State Trunk line rights of way on behalf of the City of Inkster. Also consider adopting the attached resolution to be submitted to MDOT as part of requirement to submit the permit application.
Resolution 12-17-284R – Motion carried.**

- B. Discussion/Action: (Gina Clark) Consideration and approval of amended changes to schedules B and C.

**Moved by Councilmember Oden, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to TABLE the amendments to schedule B & C.
Resolution 12-17-285R – Motion carried.**

C. Discussion/Action: (Gina Clark) Consideration and approval of NEOGOV software for the public sector.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to approve of NEOGOV software for the public sector.
Resolution 12-17-286R – Motion carried.**

D. Discussion/Action: (Sharde Fleming) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case # LD 17-31) five (5) vacant commercial parcels: 1) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020036000), 2) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020040000), 3) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020041000), 4) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020042000) and 5) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020043000) to Harlan Howard for the total amount of \$80,000.00.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve of an offer to purchase (Case # LD 17-31) five (5) vacant commercial parcels: 1) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020036000), 2) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020040000), 3) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020041000), 4) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020042000) and 5) Cherry St. vacant lot (Property ID #44009020043000) to Harlan Howard for the total amount of \$80,000.00
Resolution 12-17-287R – Motion carried.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Oden	Yea
Mayor Pro-Tem Williams	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Nay		
Councilmember Mitchell	Yea		

E. Discussion/Action (Sharde Fleming) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case #17-30) one (1) vacant parcel located on the east side of Inkster St. between Yale St. and New York St. and is legally described as 30J32A 33A E 98 FT OF LOTS 32 AND 33 WESTWOOD SUB OF VAN ALSTINE FARM T2S R10E L40 P29, 30 WCR (Property ID # 44022010032001) in the total amount of \$1,200.00 to Robert Arafat.

**Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to approve of an offer to purchase (Case #17-30) one (1) vacant parcel located on the east side of Inkster St. between Yale St. and New York St. and is legally described as 30J32A 33A E 98 FT OF LOTS 32 AND 33 WESTWOOD SUB OF VAN ALSTINE FARM T2S R10E L40 P29, 30 WCR (Property ID # 44022010032001) in the total amount of \$1,200.00 to Robert Arafat.
Resolution 12-17-286R – Motion carried.**

- F. Discussion/Action: (Sharde Fleming) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case #17-35) one (1) residential property located on the east side of Harriet St. between Carlyle St. and Beech St. and is legally described as 25N969 LOT 969 DEARBORN ACRES SUB NO. 2 T2S R9E L33 P79

WCR (Property ID #44009020969000) in the total amount of \$2,000.00 to James Robert Auslander.

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to approve of an offer to purchase (Case #17-35) one (1) residential property located on the east side of Harriet St. between Carlyle St. and Beech St. and is legally described as 25N969 LOT 969 DEARBORN ACRES SUB NO. 2 T2S R9E L33 P79 WCR (Property ID #44009020969000) in the total amount of \$2,000.00 to James Robert Auslander.

Resolution 12-17-288R – Motion carried.

- G. Discussion/Action: (Sharde Fleming) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case #17-33) one (1) residential property located on the east side of Isabelle St. between north Michigan Ave. and a dead end and is legally described as *25H539 LOT 539 HYDE PARK SUB T2S R9E L51 P9 WCR (Property ID # 44005030539000) in the total amount of \$2,000.00 to Desmond Wilbert Jr.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve of an offer to purchase (Case #17-33) one (1) residential property located on the east side of Isabelle St. between north Michigan Ave. and a dead end and is legally described as *25H539 LOT 539 HYDE PARK SUB T2S R9E L51 P9 WCR (Property ID # 44005030539000) in the total amount of \$2,000.00 Desmond Wilbert Jr.

Resolution 12-17-289R – Motion carried.

- H. Discussion/Action: (Sharde Fleming) Consider approval of an offer to purchase (Case #17-41) one (1) vacant parcel located on the west side of East Industrial Drive between Michigan Ave and Industrial Drive and is legally described as 26D8 LOT 8 INDUSTRIAL ACRES SUB T2S R9E L98 P83, 84 WCR (Property ID # 44012010008000) in the total amount of \$4,325.71 to Abe Hachem.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to approve of an offer to purchase (Case #17-41) one (1) vacant parcel located on the West side of East Industrial Drive between Michigan Ave. and Industrial Drive and is legally described as 26D8 Lot 8 INDUSTRIAL ACRES SUB T2S R9E L98 P83, 84 WCR (Property ID # 44012010008000) in the total Amount of \$4,325.71 to Abe Hachem.

Resolution 12-17-290R – Motion Carried.

- I. Discussion/Action: (Craig Lewis) Consideration and approval of D & D Enterprises to continue to provide its driving test on the grounds at Dozier Recreation Complex.

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve of D&D Enterprises to continue to provide driving test on the grounds at Dozier Recreation Complex.

Resolution 12-17-291R – Motion carried.

- J. Discussion/Action: (Sharde Fleming) Consideration and approval of an offer to purchase (Case #17-42) one (1) vacant parcel located on the north side of Meadowdale St. between Bayhan St. and Beech Daly St. and is legally described as 30D186A 187 TO 194 LOTS 187 TO 194 INCL ALSO ADJ VAC ST 50 FT

WIDE ALSO THAT PART OF LOT 186 LYING E OF THE W LINE OF LOT 194 EXTENDED N WESTWOOD SUB OF J. W. DALY FARM T2S R10E L41 P19 WCR (Property ID # 44 020 02 0186 001) in the total amount of \$4,500.00 to 1st Choice Properties LLC (Freddie George Bishop III).

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to approve of an offer to purchase (Case #17-42) one (1) vacant parcel located on the north side of Meadowdale St. between Bayhan St. and Beech Daly St. and is legally described as 30D186A 187 TO 194 LOTS 187 TO 194 INCL ALSO ADJ VAC ST 50 FT WIDE ALSO THAT PART OF LOT 186 LYING E OF THE W LINE OF LOT 194 EXTENDED N WESTWOOD SUB OF J. W. DALY FARM T2S R10E L41 P19 WCR (Property ID # 44 020 02 0186 001) in the total amount of \$4,500.00 to 1st Choice Properties LLC (Freddie George Bishop III). Resolution 12-17-292R – Motion carried.

Public Participation

- **Debra Owens** – Thanked everyone that assisted with the clean-up of Booker Dozier.
- **Gabe Henderson and Barbara Cooper** – Thanked the entire community for assisting with the Goodfellows fundraiser. They gave a special thank you to Wendy of the Walmart in Canton, Michigan they stated they donated several Christmas trees that were already decorated.
- **Gina Wilson** – Wished everyone Happy Holiday. She stated that the Western Wayne NAACP won the states contest for most members. She lastly stated that the NAACP Western Wayne division will be concentrating on voting initiatives for the upcoming year.
- **Yvette Brock** – Stated that she had been gone from Inkster for some years and moved back. She said that this city council is so refreshing and doing great things. She lastly stated that the Mayor is a very giving person and commended him for all his efforts.
- **Willie Johnson** – Stated the city needs good police protection. He further stated that Durand Court needs to be paved.

City Clerk

- Announced the Holiday schedule for city hall.
- Stated during the Holiday closure tax payments can be made online or left in the drop box.

City Treasurer

- Announced where tax payments can be paid.
- Announced that cars needed to be moved off the street during snow emergencies.

Mayor and Council

- **Councilman Oden** – Asked if money to light up the city during the holidays could be squeezed in the next budget.
- **Councilmember Mitchell** – Wished all residents Happy New Year and Happy Kwanza. Stated the city will be having a blanket day. She said that the city is moving forward.
- **Councilwoman Howard** – Wished everyone a happy holiday.
- **Councilman Chisholm** – Stated to residents to look on his Facebook Page for an announcement he will be making. He stated that Anderson Young's funeral would be at St Clements church on December 29, 2017.
- **Councilwoman Watley** – Stated a resident says she has been calling city hall and can not get a hold of anyone. She further stated the resident said she had a zero water bill than it jumped to two hundred dollars. Lastly she asked if the formula for water bills could be worked on.

- **Mayor Pro-Tem Williams** –Thanked all the staff and the Clerk’s office for doing an excellent job. He invited all residents to Shop Inkster and wished them Happy Holiday’s.
- **Mayor Nolen** –_Stated that city hall would be open on Friday’s beginning January 2nd. He thanked Abe Hachem for his generous donation of five hundred LEGO sets. He stated attended the Inkster Housing Resident Council party. He said he had a great time with the young children. He asked residents to be nice to someone!

Closed Session

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember Oden, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams and carried, the Regular Council meeting of December 18, 2017 was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster