



**CITY OF INKSTER
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, August 15, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.**

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, Michigan was called to order by Mayor Wimberly, Chairman at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Mayor Wimberly	Present	Councilmember Watley	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Howard	Excused	Councilmember Chisholm	Present
Councilmember Williams	Present	Councilmember Shaw	Present
Councilmember Washington	Present		

***A Quorum was present**

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Motion by Watley, second by Chisholm to approve the agenda with the removal of the following items:

Item A – I, Approval of Special Land Use for proposed establishments.

To be discussed and considered for approval at a Special Meeting on Wednesday, August 17, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. due to some councilmembers not receiving the Agenda Packet electronically.

VOTE: Unanimous consent, motion carried: Resolution 08-22-115R

Presentation: None

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Motion by Shaw, second by Washing to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

VOTE: 4-1, motioned carried: Resolution 08-22-116R

Boards and Commissions

MOTION: Motion by Williams, second by Chisholm to accept the Mayoral Appointment of Gregory Gillette to the Inkster Housing Commission for a five-year term expiring August 2027.

VOTE: 5-0, motioned carried. Resolution 08-22-117R

New Business

J. Womack Temple Back to School Fair

MOTION: Motion by Williams, second by Chisholm to approve the closure of Cherry St. between Harrison and Isabelle on August 27, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. for a Back-to-School Fair hosted by Womack Temple C.M.E. Church.

VOTE: Unanimous consent, motion carried. Resolution 08-22-118R

K. Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church Youth Day Celebration

MOTION: Motion by Williams, second by Chisholm to approve to close Walnut, between Beech and Carlyle Streets on August 27, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. for a Youth Day Celebration hosted by Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church.

VOTE: Unanimous consent, motion carried. Resolution 08-22-119R

L. New York Street Block Party

MOTION: Motion by Chisholm, second by Washington to approve to close New York Street between John Daily and Inkster Road on August 20, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 midnight

VOTE: Unanimous consent, motion carried: Resolution 08-22-120R

M. X Series Roundball Classic

MOTION: Motion by Chisholm, second by Shaw to approve the X Series Roundball Classic to be held on August 28, 2022 from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Brookside Park/ Floyd B. Simmons Center.

VOTE: Unanimous consent, motion carried: Resolution 08-22-121R

Public Comment

The following persons participated in public comment:

- Shirley Walker announced the Inkster Goodfellows Rib Dinner Sale on August 19, 2022, at \$15.00 per dinner.
- Gabe Henderson spoke out against Marijuana establishments in Inkster; he believes it presents a negative image.
- Evonne Moore was soliciting "Dunk Tank" participants for the Backpack Give-a-Way at The Booker Dozier Recreation Center on August 20, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
- Pastor Hearn spoke out against marijuana establishments.
- Rebecca Daniels spoke highly of the RRC Redevelopment Ready City meeting spearheaded by Commissioner Faison; and encouraged participation for the Parliamentarian Training scheduled for September 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.
- Marla Edwards, WCCC Board of Trustees, thanked the city for past support.
- Yada Phillips (Romulus) voiced a complaint about Inkster Housing and was directed to the proper resources.
- Pastor Overman reminded everyone of the Democratic Convention on August 20, 2022, and the soft opening of the Stem Café on Saturday, August 27th from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
- Antonio Robb commended the mayor on the progress made in the city and noted that the city is clean. He spoke about the stigma surrounding marijuana and expressed that he was approved for the Social Equity program but does not have the capital to invest in a marijuana establishment and would like to be included.
- State Representative Jewell Jones introduced the new State House District Democratic Candidate.

City Clerk reported out on the August 2, 2022, Primary and Election Day Events.

Treasurer – no comment.

City Council

- **Councilmember Chisholm:**
 - Clarified that the Parliamentarian Joint Training will be held at City Hall on September 12, 2022.
- **Councilmember Watley:**
 - Expressed that losing Commissioner Anderson in the last primary is devastating. Mayor Wimberly expressed that David is a friend of Inkster.
- **Councilmember Williams:**
 - Announced that Big Sidewalk talks will be held Friday or Saturday; he encourages all to join each other and lead.
- **Councilmember Washington:**
 - Praised Code Enforcement for the clean-up efforts of Central Street and also thanked the fire and police departments for multiple rescues.
- **Councilmember Shaw:**
 - Commented on the Road to Restoration Program by Michigan Secretary of State. www.mi.gov/roadtorestoration.
 - Praised the National Night Out efforts by IPD.
 - "If you see something, say something"

Closed Session

Council entered Closed Session to discuss pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.268 (f).

MOTION: Motion by Shaw, second by Chisholm to enter Closed Session at 6:38 p.m. to discuss pending litigation in the matter of Blackwell vs COI and Suite B, Inc vs COI.

VOTE: Unanimous, motion carried.

Adjournment

The regular council meeting of August 15, 2022, adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Verna Chapman, City Clerk
City of Inkster

Approved: September 6, 2022

Posted: September 7, 2022