



**CITY OF INKSTER
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, August 21, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.**

An orientation session was held at 6:15 p.m. to allow staff to answer questions or address any concerns related to agenda items.

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, Michigan was called to order by Mayor Patrick Wimberly, Chairman at 7:00p.m. Prayer was offered by Rev. Williams; Councilmember.

Roll Call

Mayor Wimberly	Present	Councilmember Watley	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Howard	Present	Councilmember Chisholm	Present
Councilmember Williams	Present	Councilmember Shaw	Present
Councilmember Washington	Present (Arrived at 7:03 p.m.)		

***A Quorum was present**

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Motion by Shaw, second by Howard to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-128R

Presentations/Introduction of Guest/Announcements

- A. Aaron Cooper presented a video of the community celebration held for Inkster Housing. When asked about security cameras at HUD by Mayor Wimberly, Mr. Cooper responded that his team is waiting for the right product. Councilwoman Watley commended Mr. Cooper on bringing the Mobile Secretary of State to Inkster Housing on August 30th.

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Motion by Howard, second by Shaw to approve the consent agenda as presented.

VOTE: 5-1, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-129R

Ordinance(s) - None

New Business

A. Zoning Amendment

This item was presented by Jane Dixon, Planning.

MOTION: Motion by Shaw, second by Howard to adopt the proposed zoning amendments for additional uses and definitions as well as sign standards for the Town Center District.

VOTE: 5-1, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-130R

B. MDOT Agreement for Speed Humps

This item was presented by Jerome Bivins, DPS Director

MOTION: Motion by Howard, second by Chisholm to authorize the Department of Public Works Director to enter into an agreement with MDOT to secure funding for the approved speed humps and adopt the included resolution.

DISCUSSION: The body asked when the project would begin; Mr. Bivins responded late September or early October.

VOTE: 6-0, MOTION CARRIED. Resolution 08-23-131R

C. Wayne County DPS Stormwater Agreement

This item was presented by Jerome Bivins, DPS Director

MOTION: Motion by Shaw, second by Chisholm to authorize the Director of DPS to enter into an agreement with the Wayne County Department of Public Services to maintain the stormwater management system in accordance with the drawing attached as Exhibit "A", and the terms of long-term maintenance plan attached as Exhibit "B" and the Wayne County Stormwater Ordinance and Administrative Rules.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-132R

D. AFSCME Agreement

MOTION: Motion by Howard, second by Williams to approve a tentative agreement for contract renewal between the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local Union 290.13 and the City of Inkster.

DISCUSSION: Councilwoman Watley asked what changes were included in the agreement. It was noted that The Juneteenth Holiday was added, vacation time was adjusted, and signing bonus was removed.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-133R

E. Alternative Meeting Dates for Board of Review

MOTION: Motion by Chisholm, second by Shaw to approving a resolution to set alternative meeting dates for the July and December Board of Review meetings.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-134R

F. Roundball Classic Special Event Permit

MOTION: Motion by Williams, second by Howard to approve a Special Event Permit for the X Series Roundball Classic Basketball Tournament at Brookside Park on August 26, 2023, from the hours of 1p.m. through 7p.m. The applicant is Michael Kaddo.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-135R

G. Street Closure for a Memorial Vigil

MOTION: Motion by Williams, second by Chisholm to approve of a street closure request for a Memorial/Vigil for the late Anthony "Nick" Jones on Lehigh Street between Sylvia and Princess Streets on August 31, 2023, between the hours of 1p.m. and 3 p.m. Barbara Cooper is the applicant.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-136R

H. Street Closure for Family Birthday

MOTION: Motion by Shaw, second by Williams to approve a street closure request for a family birthday cook-out on Oakwood Street at Harrison Streeton August 26 and 27, from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. each day. Dawn Hearn is the applicant.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-137R

I. Praise in the Park Special Event

MOTION: Motion by Williams, second by Shaw to approve a Special Event Permit for Praise in the Park at Brookside Park on September 8, 2023, from the hours of noon through 9 p.m. The applicant is Barbara Albert.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-138R

Public Participation

- Evonne Moore announced a Backpack giveaway on Saturday, August 26th.
- Gloria Alexander and Anthony Sherrell commented on the following:
 - Excessive Gunfire
 - Code Enforcement
 - MSP and WC Sheriff
- Catherine Walker commented on a shooter in the area near daycare.
 - She also commended Officer Hall for his commitment to duty.
- Clinese Harris thanked the city for hiring her daughter.
- Barbara Cooper commended everyone for the following:
 - Barbeque fund raiser for "No Child Without a Christmas" on August 18th.
 - Approval to hold the Vigil on August 31, 2023.
- Gabe Henderson announced Inkster Goodfellow event September 2, 2023 at Rec Complex.

City Clerk announced that the Wayne County Board of Canvassers certified the results of the August 8, 2023, Primary & Special Election on Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Watley** wanted to address election issues allegedly sited by State of Michigan.
- **Councilmember Shaw** commented on the following:
 - Water Meters
 - GFL – Pursuing Fines/Recourse
- **Councilmember Washington:**
 - Commended Code Enforcement.
- **Councilmember Williams:**
 - Commended Inkster Housing for the recent Field Trip for the children in the district, Ms. Moore and her organizations.
- **Councilmember Chisholm** commended citizens for everything and encouraged them to contact him by leaving a detailed and concise message for him.

Closed Session: Motion by Howard, second by Shaw to enter closed session to discuss litigation in the matter of Inkster Micro, LLC at 6:35 p.m. No action is expected to be taken.

VOTE: 6-0, motion carried. Resolution 08-23-127R

Adjournment

The regular council meeting of August 21, 2023, adjourned at 8:25p.m. by motion of Chisholm, second by Shaw, and unanimous consent of the body.

Verna Chapman, City Clerk
City of Inkster

Approved:
Posted: