

March 4, 2024

Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on March 4, 2024, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: City Council members discussed: The Agenda.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Rutledge to go Into Closed session @ 6:45pm to discuss pending litigation. (Hines, Mirada)

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Nolen	Yea
Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea
Councilmember Scott	Yea
Councilmember Rutledge	Yea
Councilmember Bishop	Yea
Councilmember Richardson	Yea

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:34pm

Prayer

Prayer was led by Reverend Cooper

Pledge of Allegiance

City Council and the public in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America

Roll Call

Mayor Nolen	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilwoman Rutledge	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilman Bishop, II	Present (Inkster, MI.)
Councilwoman Scott	Present (Inkster, MI)
Councilman Howard	Present (Inkster, MI)
Councilman Richardson	Present (Inkster, MI)

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Scott to approve the agenda with the removal of item "D" under New Business and the adding of Item "E & F" under New Business.

Resolution 03-24-62GH - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

Public Hearings

Consent Agenda

- ❖ Approval of the March 4, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
- ❖ City Attorney Invoice-\$56,742.46
- ❖ Receive and File transfer of liquor license.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Richardson
Resolution 03-24-63GH - Motion carried.**

Boards and Commission

- Re-Appoint LaWanna Abney Mitchell Dist. 4 to Parks and Recreation Board
**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Rutledge
Resolution 03-24-64GH-Motion Carried**
- Re-Appoint Norma Daniels Dist. 1 Zoning Board of Appeals
**Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Scott
Resolution 03-24-65GH-Motion Carried**
- Re-Appoint Vanola Williams Dist. 5 Zoning Board of Appeals
**Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm
Resolution #03-24-66GH-Motion Carried**
- Appoint Ashley Williams to the Downtown Development Authority
**Moved by Councilmember Bishop, Seconded by Council
Resolution #03-24-67GH-Motion Carried**

New Business

Consider approval to extend 35-day time frame per the charter for the city attorney to be administered his Oath of Office

**Moved by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Scott
Resolution #03-24-68GH-Motion Carried**

Consider approval to vote Mayor Byron H. Nolen as the SEMCOG Delegate General Assembly for the City of Inkster and Shawn Crenshaw as the alternate.

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Scott
Resolution #03-24-69GH-Motion Carried**

Consider approval to purchase one (1) vacant parcel (Case#LD24-18) the parcel is located on the north side of Spruce Street between Beech Street and Chestnut Street parcel ID#44010050009000 for \$1500 (please see attached Wayne County Public Record)

**Moved by councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Councilmember Scott
Resolution #03-24-70GH-Motion Carried**

Vote in accordance with vote taken in closed session (Hines)

**Moved by Councilmember Bishop, Seconded by Councilmember Scott
Resolution #03-24-71GH-Motion Carried**

Vote in accordance with vote taken in closed session (Marida)

**Moved by Councilmember Scott, Seconded by Councilmember Howard
Resolution #03-24-72GH-Motion Carried**

Public Participation

Linda Pitts- What is being built on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Middlebelt

Dr. Shamiran Y. Golani- Spoke on Chambers of Commerce Calendar Relationship between businesses and residents.

Barbara Cooper-Inkster Goodfellows, It's that time of year again and the meeting on Saturday was awesome and well attended.

Peggy Bishop Lucas- Chambers of Commerce Calendar; multiple businesses owner foundation and love for the city of Inkster, supported Mayors functions, very disappointed on Sandra Whately negative comments, was always told If you don't have nothing good to say then don't say nothing at all. Read scripture Eph 4-29

Sandrew King-property taxes, when are they referred to the county; and AIA Schools, also spoke on Habitat for Humanity, pothole on Dunning.

Charles Blackwell- Inkster Councilman Steven Andre Chisholm has been exposed in Federal Court as an unconstitutional, retaliatory fraudster who conspired with David Jones to silence speech. Even worse, the Inkster City Council has been using taxpayer money to fund a retaliatory lawsuit to silence speech."

City Clerk

Gearing up for the August election and making sure everyone receives the Absentee Ballots and thanking all the election inspectors for the great job they did. We have a sign-up sheet at the Clerk's office.

Wayne County Representative Alisha Strong from the Treasurer Office spoke on foreclosure stating properties can get extensions on payment plans up to 3 years.

Mayor and Council

Councilmember Richardson-Thanked everyone that came out to the program and for covering the potholes in front of the Police Station

Councilmember Howard-none

Councilmember Scott-none

Councilmember Bishop-none

**Councilmember Rutledge-Inkster Task Force
Unity in the Community March 23rd at the Dozier and are accepting donations contact Mable Stroman, Steven Chisholm, and Opal Nolen**

Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm spoke on pothole crew and his assistance and coming up with me and assisting with Boards& Commissions

Mayor Nolen thanked everyone for attending.

Closed Session

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember Rutledge, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm and carried, to conclude the Regular City Council meeting of Monday March 4, 2024, at 8:05 pm

