

October 7, 2024

Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on October 7, 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 Councilwoman Rutledge to go into Closed session @ 6:55pm to discuss pending litigation.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Scott	Yea
Councilmember Rutledge	Yea	Councilmember Bishop	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilwoman Richardson	Yea

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:35pm

Prayer

Prayer was led by Deacon Rose

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 Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Richardson to approve agenda for October 7, 2024 meeting
Resolution #10-24-238GH-Motion Carried**

Presentations/Discussion

- o Veteran Hometown Hero Flag-Chanel Stephens-Paying homage to veteran's in the community.

- Recognition for DPS Crew-Pierre Douglas and Maleek Harris recognized for assisting a resident that collapsed on John Daly, both stayed until 911 arrived.

Public Hearings

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of September 16, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott
Resolution 10-24-239GH - Motion carried.**

Boards and Commission

- A. Approval to re-appoint Iris Long to the Aging Commission
Moved by Councilwoman Scott Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge Res #10-24-240GH
- B. Approval to appoint William Miller to the Condemnation Board
Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm Seconded by Councilwoman Scott Res #10-24-241GH
- C. Approval to appoint Tavan Hall to the Condemnation Board
Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilman Bishop Res #10-24-242 GH
- D. Approval to appoint William Miller to the Construction Board of Appeals/Property Maintenance
Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm Seconded by Councilwoman Scott Res # 10-24-243GH
- E. Approval to appoint Tavan Hall to the Construction Board of Appeals/Property Maintenance Board (3-year term)
Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott Res #10-24-244GH
- F. Approval to appoint Carolyn Wilson to the Construction Board of Appeals/Property Maintenance Board (3year term)
Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge and Seconded by Mayor Prop Tem Chisholm Res #10-24-245GH

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

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

New Business

- A. **Discussion/Action: (Derek Dowdell, Community Development Director)**
Consider approval to purchase one (1) vacant parcel (Case #LD24-38)The parcel is located on the west side of Inkster Rd between Michigan Avenue and Chestnut Ave Parcel ID 44010990001000 for \$360,500 Moved by Councilwoman Scott and Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge to consider denial of purchase of the vacant lot. Motion carried-Res #10-24-246GH
- B. **Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director Consider approval to Adopt Notice to Intent Resolution related to the City's proposed 2024**

Capital Improvement Bonds for improvements to the water supply and sewage disposal system of the city and authorize the City Clerk to publish the Notice of Intent. Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge and Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm. -motion carried Res #10-24-247GH

- C. Discussion/Action: (Sharde Crutchfield, Special Projects Director)
Consider approving the City of Inkster to join as a plaintiff in Wayne County Circuit Court alongside other Wayne County communities against Republic Services. The lawsuit is to prohibit the shipment of radioactive waste from New York to the Wayne Disposal landfill in Van Buren Township. Moved by Councilwoman Richardson and Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm-Motion carried Res # 10-24-248GH**
- D. Discussion/Action: (Sharde Crutchfield, Special Projects Director)
Consider approval of the City of Inkster to expend unbudgeted 2023 Community Development Block Grant Funds to retain professional architecture and engineering services from Detroit Architectural Group, Inc for ninety-nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$99,500.00) This includes design, engineering, and architectural services of the HVAC system at the Booker Dozier Recreation Center-Moved by Councilwoman Richardson and Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm-Motion Carried-10-24-249GH**
- E. Discussion/Action: Consider approval to combined meetings Planning Commission and Mayor and Council on Monday November 25th 2024 @ 6:30pm Notification to be posted on website-Motion Carried 10-24-250GH**

Public Participation

- ✓ Lisa B., Director of Communications IPD-IPD Upcoming Events, they will be a newsletter coming out with the events in there, Women Leadership-Smith Chapel, National take back Day October 26th Leanna Hicks Library, Narcan Training; HH Safe Night Event National, please donate 1 bag of candy.
 - ✓ Catrina Von-Announce upcoming event, Veterans Giveaway Saturday November 9 11-4 November 10 11-2 at the Booker Dozier
 - ✓ Felecia Studstill 3122 John Daly Did the City use RDR to acquire any foreclosed properties (2024) prior to the recent W.C.T. auction, is there a public list available to the public
 - ✓ Barbara Cooper, Inkster Goodfellows October 19th Pancake Breakfast 8a-12n \$15 donation @ Booker Dozier Center
 - ✓ Machel Gregory-Why are there so many dispensaries I have counted 7 December 2020 created Adult Rec License unlimited April 2023 Modified to 8
 - ✓ Cassy-Voter Outreach International Fuller Woman Network- Project 2025 Event, Shuttles Souls to the Polls Event
 - ✓ Rebeca Daniels-Annapolis Property- Property was on Market 26100 Annapolis
 - ✓ Charles Blackwell-In September 2023 Felicia Rutledge accepted \$1225 from Abe Hachem associate by the name of Ermal Mandija. Please ask yourself why? Mayor Byron Nolen is using the Mayor's office to enrich himself, his friends, and any willing Inkster business owner with a generous pocketbook. Lastly, Councilman Steven Chisholm should be a clown for Halloween since he's already one
- Communications has been forwarded to Mayor and Council comments will be put into comments and meeting minutes,

City Clerk

Visited 3 sites successfully Twin Towers, Cherryhill Place and Cherryhill Square was able to register residents and complete absentee ballot applications, we were unsuccessful at Thompson Towers but will keep trying. We had Donna Wilson representing Delta Sigma

Theta Sorority, Inc Inkster Chapter passing out buttons and bracelets, La-Toria Triplett from DPS signing residents up for Code Red, International Fuller Woman Network for providing free food to the residents through Unique Quesadilla Food Truck and Informative gift bags. Thanking Rhonda Arrington and Carolyn Wilson for all their hard work and due diligence in helping to get residents registered on-site. Thank all of the different areas and individuals coming together and working together for the same cause.

Spoke at the AKA, Sorority, Inc Inkster Chapter Voter Engagement Theme the 70's Event held at Booker Dozier Recreation Center; spoke on Early Voting dates and location and answered a few questions.

City Treasurer

No comment

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Rutledge – Breast Cancer, honor survivors getting our yearly exam**
- **Councilmember Scott – Thank You to the Fire and Police Dept regarding the flooding Incident the whole city stepped up.**
- **Councilmember Bishop – 2nd Councilwoman Scott comment, Thanks to Fire and Police.**
- **Councilmember Howard – Code Enforcement and Jerome Bivins clean up, Thank you**
- **Councilmember Richardson – Registered voter, Eric Sabree Taxes, arrangement for taxes thanks to Eric Sabree and staff; Wayne Metro to assist in homeless, Breast Cancer awareness month (October) Expunging Fair at Amlty Baptist; Happy Birthday to her husband who is a 8 time cancer survivor.**
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm – School District divided, Abney Mitchell Coffee and Transportation flyer circulating; Tuesday October 8th 2024 9:15 William D. Ford Technical Center**
- **Mayor Nolen-DPS, Fire and Police evacuated half of Thompson Towers and transported to the Rec Center because of fire., the rec staff stayed 2 nights to assist**

Closed Session

Moved by Councilman Bishop and Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge to come out of closed session at 7:34p

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made.

By Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott and carried, to conclude the Regular City Council meeting of Monday, October 7, 2024 at 8:36pm