

October 21, 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 21, 2024 in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

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

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to go into Closed session @ 6:30pm to discuss pending litigation.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

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	Excused (Inkster, MI.)
Councilwoman Scott	Present (Inkster, MI)
Councilwoman Howard	Excused (Inkster, MI)
Councilwoman Richardson	Excused (Inkster, MI)

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to approve agenda for October 21, 2024 meeting
Resolution #10-24-251GH-Motion Carried
Councilman Bishop-Excused
Councilwoman Howard-Excused
Councilwoman Richardson-Excused

Presentations/Discussion

- ❖ **Proclamation VFW Veteran s of Foreign War 4th District American Legion**
Proclamation presented to Mayor Nolen in honor of his Father

Public Hearings

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the October 21, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott
Resolution 10-24-252GH - Motion carried.
Councilman Bishop-Excused
Councilwoman Howard-Excused
Councilwoman Richardson-Excused

Boards and Commission

None

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

- A. **First Reading(s) none**
- B. **Second Reading(s) none**

New Business

- A. **Discussion/Action: (Derek Dowdell, Community Development Director)**
Consider approval to implement a new Pre-Development Meeting policy regarding purchasing for development vacant land for required redevelopment in Inkster. A pre-development meeting policy sets the foundation for a successful project by promoting clear communication, risk management and stakeholder collaboration.
Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott-motion carried.
- B. **Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director)** **Consider approval of accepting the L.E.A.P. Grant (Lead Education & Faucet Replacement Program) in the amount of \$184,416.00. Additionally, we are requesting approval of the appropriations for this grant and related amendment to the FY 2024-25 budget.**
Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm Seconded by Councilwoman Scott-motion carried.
- C. **Discussion/Action: (Darin Carrington, Treasurer)** **Consider approval of the Administration requesting acceptance of a \$1 million Grant from the Federal Government for the replacement of fire apparatus (Fire Truck)**

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott-motion carried

- D. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holliday, City Clerk) Consider conditional approval of liquor license for Stardust Lounge (Starlux Group, LLC) Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott-motion carried**

Public Participation

- ✓ Latoria Triplett-DPS Information statement sent Code Red DPS no longer distributing water filters as of September 30th Mich Dept of Health & Human Services if you need a filter 844-934-1315
- ✓ Rochelle Wells-Senior Forum, Inkster Task Force Commission on Aging Top Ladies, Health Fair at Dozier Thursday 11-2p contact 313-561-2382
- ✓ Octavia Smith-Final reminder of the Inkster Celebrating 60th year event Saturday Nov 2 @ Bliss Center
- ✓ Ms. Garron-3324 Irene the house to the left when facing from street is a eyesore house next door looks like its poverty stricken and a 3rd world country counted 16 cars in yard, they park the wrong way and its difficult to talk to them like they have sense.
- ✓ Gabe Henderson-Inkster Goodfellows last Saturday of the month, Pancake Breakfast Saturday, want to thank you for everything. If you want to put a business card in the paper give information to the clerk, donation canister here at City Hall.
- ✓ Charles Blackwell-Mayor Byron Nolen should tell the public how he hired Charles Nolen's girlfriend, Jennifer Redd as his administrative assistant at Inkster City Hall. Furthermore, Byron Nolen should tell the public how he has been illegally using taxpayer funds to reimburse himself for private transactions.

City Clerk

I attended the NAACP Western Wayne County 77th Anniversary Freedom Fund Dinner on Saturday October 20th, gearing up for Early Voting Oct 26th-Nov 3rd it was put on Code Red, City website and billboard.

City Treasurer

No comment

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Rutledge – No comment**
- **Councilmember Scott – Pizza sale for Breast Cancer a portion will go to Karmanos.**
- **Councilmember Bishop -Excused**
- **Councilmember Howard Excused**
- **Councilmember Richardson -Excused**
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm – No comment**
- **Mayor Nolen-Thanked the VFW for their Proclamation and pin honoring his father**

Closed Session

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to open close session at 6:30p

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge and Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to come out of closed session at 7:01p

Adjournment

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

By Councilwoman Scott, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm and carried, to conclude the Regular City Council meeting of Monday, October 21, 2024 at 7:55pm