December 2, 2024
Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on December 2, 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 @ 6:45pm 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 7:19pm

Prayer
Prayer was led by Evangelist Barbara 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)
Councilwoman Howard	Present (Inkster, MI)
Councilwoman Richardson	Present (Inkster, MI)

Approval of Agenda

Moved by councilwoman Scott and Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge-motion carried Resolution # 12-24-267GH

Presentations/Discussion

- **State Representative Dylan Wegela legislative update and his contact information is: 517-737-3818**

Public Hearings
None

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the November 18, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved by Councilwoman Howard, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott
Resolution 12-24-268GHGH - Motion carried.

Boards and Commission

None

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

A. First Reading(s) none

B. Second Reading(s) none

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director/Darin Carrington, Treasurer): **The Administration is requesting approval for the City to enter into an agreement for the purchase and installation of a new water meter system. This proposed purchase will replace the meters for all of the City's residential and commercial customers at an estimated total cost of approximately $6.1 million.**

Due to a number of operational challenges, the city has decided that it is best to completely replace the current system. These challenges include no access to replacement meters for the current system and performance issues with the current aging meters.

The Administration received and reviewed three proposals for this project. After careful review, the Administration has selected the proposal from EJ Prescott, Inc. This proposal involves purchasing meters manufactured by Kamstrup and installation will be done by Hydrocorp.
In order to fund this project, the City will be using part of the proceeds from the Series 2024 Bonds that City Council recently approved. The Bond transaction is expected to close in mid-December and the proceeds will be received by the City at that time.

Moved by Councilwoman Richardson and Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge-motion carried
Resolution #12-24-269GH

B. Discussion/Action: Consider approval of the Legal Employment Pension Fund Situation regarding Sgt. Linda Davison and Commander Shawn Vargo.
Moved by Councilwoman Howard and Seconded by Councilwoman Scott-motion carried.
Resolution #12-24-270GH

Public Participation

- **Barbara Cooper-Inkster Goodfellows- There will be a bucket for donations at the opening of the Credit Union, December 20th passing out gift cards and paper drive**
- **Gabe Henderson-We Rise Organization after school program for the youth Mon & Wed 3:30-7:30; fed the seniors and utilizing the Booker Dozier Complex.**
- **Dylan Wegela-Legislative update**
- **Sandrew King Sr.-26105 Dunning, vacant lot behind my house stop sign on Dunning and Martindale; partnership with AIA, Inkster has 3 schools 721 kids in district recruited.**
- **Juanita Davis-Concerned about billboard on Michigan Avenue and Middlebelt regarding gun purchase and gun store advertisement.**

City Clerk
no comment

City Treasurer
Winter property taxes information is online and going out this week due before Feb 14th; Bond Transaction closing December 13th; water system is 15 million dollars with issue. Credit review with credit agency previously with negative outlook, City Financial working on FY24 Audit finished FY23 in June, caught up to September. First report for FY July, August, September. Regular Monthly Financial report, January starting back to reporting.

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Rutledge – Attended We Rise Senior Function and Election Debriefing that the City Clerk had**
- **Councilmember Scott – No comment**
- **Councilmember Bishop -No comment**
- **Councilmember Howard- Water meters Mr. Bivens and Engineers worked on this, congratulations.**
- **Councilmember Richardson -Goodfellows, hit the state rep up for donations while he is here, Wayne Metro still has funds available to help with lights and gas. Researched LED; called around regarding water filters, none through the Health Dept, need water filters for resident. Call MDHHS Hotline 844-931-1315**
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm – Attended Thanksgiving We Rise Program, Election Debriefing, Joint Annual Planning and City Council Meeting**
- **Mayor Nolen-Wayne Metro Grant Funding for Summer Program and Transportation; AIA; One Detroit Credit Union Friday at 10am haven't had a financial institution since 2017**

Closed Session

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to open close session at 6:45p

Moved by Councilwoman Howard and Seconded by Councilman Bishop to come out of closed session at 7:13p

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, December 2, 2024 at 7:52pm