

May 5, 2025

Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on May 5, 2025 in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

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

Closed Session

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to go Into Closed session 6:20pm to discuss pending litigation.

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman to come out of closed session @ 6:55 pm

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Howard
Councilmember Rutledge
Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm

excused
Yea
Yea

Councilmember Scott
Councilmember Bishop
Councilwoman Richardson

Yea
excused
Yea

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

Prayer

Prayer was led by Deason 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	Present (Inkster, MI)

Approval of Agenda

**Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott to approve agenda for May 5, 2025 meeting
Resolution #05-25-75GH-4-0 Motion Carried
Excused-Councilwoman Howard
Excused -Councilman Bishop**

Presentations/Discussion

- ❖ Evonne Moore-Unity In The Community Easter Egg Hunt Certificates of Appreciation (various Individuals)

Public Hearings

None

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the April 21, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott
Resolution #05-25-76GH – 4-0 Motion carried.
Excused-Councilwoman Howard
Excused-Councilman Bishop

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 purchase three (3) vacant parcels (Case #LD 25-04) The parcel is located on the west side of Henry Street between Beech Street and Carlisle Street Parcel ID: 44010060490000; 4401006049100; 44010060492000 for \$3000. Please see attached Wayne County Public Records Moved by Councilwoman Scott Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge 4-0 Motion Carried Resolution # 05-25-77GH
Excused: Councilwoman Howard Excused: Councilman Bishop
- B. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holilday, City Clerk) Consider approval of changes mad to the City of Inkster Vendor's License application, increasing the cost under Class 1: to \$3.75 per year per person Class 2: \$3.75 per day \$75 for one year and \$25 for printing ID Badge (per person) Class 3: \$5 per day each vehicle, and to add additional language under instructions for Vendor's License. Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott
Excused: Councilwoman Howard Excused: Councilman Bishop 4-0 Motion Carried Resolution #05-25-78GH

- C. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holliday, City Clerk) Consider approval of Street Closure/Block Party for Summer Kick-Off Festival Smith Chapel AME Church 3505 Walnut St. Inkster, MI streets to be closed: Beech between Wanut & Ash Date: June 7, 2025 Time: 9a-5p Moved by Councilwoman Richardson Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm Excused: Councilwoman Howard Excused Councilman Bishop 4-0 Motion Carried Resolution #05-25-79GH**
- D. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holliday, City Clerk) Consider approval of relocating Predinct 4-1 currently located at Hicks Elementary 100 Helen St. to American International Academy 27100 Avondale St. where Predinct 4-2 is currently. Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Scott Excused: Councilwoman Howard Excused Councilman Bishop 4-0 Motion Carried Resolution #05-25-80GH**
- E. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director) Consider authorizing administraction to approve the contract with Major Contracting Group, Inc. for the North River Park Drive Reconstruction in the amount of \$1,238,820.00 plus a 6% contingency of \$74,329.20 for a total of \$1,313,149.20 for construction. Moved by Councilwoman Scott Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge Excused: Councilwoman Howard Excused: Councilman Bishop 4-0 Motion Carried Resolution #05-25-81GH**
- F. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holliday, City Clerk) Consider approval to accept the Grant awarded to the City of Inkster in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the City of Inkster Pressure Reducing Valve & Vault (PRV) Construction. Moved by Councilwoman Scott Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge Excused: Councilwoman Howard Excused: Councilman Bishop 4-0 Motion Carried Resolution #05-25-82GH**
- G. Discussion/Action: (Georgina Holliday, City Clerk) Consider approval of the vote taken in closed session regarding Massingillie. Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm. Excused: Councilwoman Howard Excused: Councilman Bishop. 4-0 Motion Carried Resolution #05-25-83GH**

Public Participation

- ❖ **Lisa B. Director-Fallen Heros Special Event 7/9 Fallen Officers; photos of Veteran's acknowledged; Celebrate Mental Health Month 5/11-5/17 National Police Week; Safety of children, last week child neglect children wondering the streets underage, let's use safety measures; call police station and report. St. Clements Manor Coffee with a Cop 11a-1p Zumba 2p-4p**
- ❖ **Sandra K. Watley-Erroneous Liability Email-Keith Sweat accusing a person without truth, won't allow a person to do so regarding her name, will not tolerate being bullied for these tactics. Reframe from using her name.**

- ❖ **Tov Pauling- Pot Holes, Road Repairs, City Ordinance; CI Click Fix potholes on Stollman called 3/26; 4/1;4/28 storage of bikes and trash. Avondale close to Inkster streets is bad. Also emailed Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm several times regarding blithe.**
- ❖ **Tangela Ward-Partnered with Wayne County on June 19th Peace Walk to bring awareness, street tore up received a ticket parked over sidewalk standing there, dog walking took dog to IPD \$40 paid, officer got smart, was vindictive and came on street. Tickets were dismissed. CUP cutting grass for seniors for free, need more people to assist.**
- ❖ **Maureen Moynihan-Around sanitary sewer at 259 Brentwood-ground hog in yard; structural problems on garage, Daryi Davis was out to inspect.**
- ❖ **LaWanna Abney-Mitchell-regarding voting in schools, celebrating our seniors May 19th; collecting money for scholarships to 17 children \$50 to honor family, name your scholarship, name of the scholarship been established under.**
- ❖ **Charles Blackwell-Good evening: Former Mayor Patrick Wimberly is scheduled to be sentenced in federal court on June 10th, 2025 at 10 am for his public corruption. The Inkster City Council should pass a resolution asking for the Federal Judge to sentence Wimberly to the high end of his prison sentence guidelines.**

Clerk-No comment

City Treasurer

Sign up for new water meters, area based on Monday trash pickup 800 already installed

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Rutledge – Dumping on Cherry Street, gas station east side of Michigan Avenue/Middlebelt old Citgo no signage.**
- **Councilmember Scott – Next year summer program uses a link online for sign up.**
- **Councilmember Bishop -Excused**
- **Councilmember Howard- Excused**
- **Councilmember Richardson -Michigan/Isabelle manhole sinking, condolences to the family of Marcus Hendricks on his passing, kind man and humble, was a graduate of Inkster High School**
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm – Channel 4 News property values across Wayne County, Inkster value is up, people are moving in vacancies are minimizing.**
- **Mayor Nolen-Groundbreaking New Senior wing on May 19th at Booker Dozier; 5pm orientation for graduating kids' owner doing project is from Inkster. Public Safety Prevention Fund 104 Yes 4 No our state rep was one of the 4 No., letting the residents know why he voted no, keep residents notified of the elected officials. Juneteenth June 14th Father's Day 2nd Annual Picnic in Colonial Park**

Adjournment

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

By Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded by Councilwoman Richardson and carried, to conclude the Regular City Council meeting of Monday, May 5, 2025 @ 8:00pm

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