

September 8, 2020 (Tuesday)  
**Regular (Virtual) City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, Michigan was a virtual meeting held on the Zoom platform in compliance with the State of Michigan Open Meetings Act and Governor Gretchen Whitmer’s Executive Order on Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: City Council members discussed:

**Call Meeting to Order**

Mayor Wimberly called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Prayer**

**Roll Call**

Mayor Wimberly	Present	Councilwoman Howard	Present
Councilwoman Watley	Present	Councilman Williams	Present
Councilwoman Washington	Present	Councilman Chisholm	Present
Councilman Shaw	Present		

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to go into closed session 7:09PM to discuss pending litigation. (Bevins, Crowder, Blackwell)**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to adjourn closed session at 8:07PM.**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve the agenda. Resolution 09-20-128COV - Motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>

**Presentations/Discussion**

- A. Inkster Library Director Introduction – Michael Wells, Chair
- B. Presentation of City Water Rates and Water Bills – Darin Carrington, Treasurer

**Public Hearings**

**Consent Agenda**

- A. August 17, 2020 Regular (Virtual) City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Resolution 09-20- 129COV - Motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>

**Boards and Commission**

- A. Update of current list of appointments to Boards & Commissions.

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded Councilmember Williams to appoint Stephanie Hornsby to the Beautification Commission.  
Resolution 09-20- 130COV - Motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded Councilmember Williams to appoint Mayor Pro-Tem Kim Howard to the TIFA Board.  
Resolution 09-20- 131COV - Motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>

**Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded Councilmember Howard to appoint Mayor Wimberly to the TIFA Board.  
Resolution 09-20- 132COV - Motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>

**Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded Councilmember Washington to appoint Yolanda Lockett to the TIFA Board.  
Resolution 09-20- 133COV - Motion carried.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded Councilmember Chisholm to appoint Mayor Wimberly to the Nankin Transient.  
Resolution 09-20- 134COV - Motion carried.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Howard	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea

**Previous Business**

**Ordinance(s)**

A. First Reading(s)

B. Second Reading(s)

1. A **second reading** and **approval** to an amendment to the Inkster Code of Ordinance, Section 124 Marijuana Business License.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to **TABLE** to approve a second reading and approval to the Inkster Code of Ordinance, Section 124 Marijuana Business License until October 12, 2020.  
Resolution 09-20-135COV – Motion carried

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea
Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Howard	Yea

**New Business**

- A. Discussion/Action: (Dai-Jaya Rose) Consideration and approval to adopt a COVID-19 workplace safety policy and emergency preparedness plan.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve adoption of a COVID-19 workplace safety policy and emergency preparedness plan.  
Resolution 09-20-136COV – Motion carried

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

- B. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consideration and approval authorizing administration to approve the contract with L.M. Clarke, Inc. for rehabilitation of Andover Pump Station in these

amounts of \$280,770.00, plus 15% contingency of \$42,115.50, for total of \$322,885.50 for rehabilitation. Funds from account 592-564-970-000 Capital Outlay.

**Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to approve authorizing administration to approve the contract with L.M. Clarke, Inc. for rehabilitation of Andover Pump Station in these amounts of \$280,770.00, plus 15% contingency of \$42,115.50, for total of \$322,885.50 for rehabilitation. Funds from account 592-564-970-000 Capital Outlay. Resolution 09-20-137COV – Motion carried**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>

C. Discussion/Action: (Darin Carrington) Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing the Tax Increment Financing Authority (TIFA) to issue Refunding Bonds.

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to approve of a Resolution authorizing the Tax Increment Financing Authority (TIFA) to issue Refunding Bonds. Resolution 09-20-138COV – Motion carried**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>

D. Discussion/Action: (Tracy-Ann Jennings) Consideration and approval of an offer to purchase (Case # LD 20-05) one (1) vacant residential lot which is located on the east side of Isabelle between Pine St. and Andover Ave. and is legally described as 36D678 LOT 678 DEARBORN ACRES SUB NO. 2 T2S R9E L33 P79 WCR (Property I.D. 44 009 02 0678 000) in the amount of \$250.00 to Derrick Gilkey.

**Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to approve of an offer to purchase (Case # LD 20-05) one (1) vacant residential lot which is located on the east side of Isabelle between Pine St. and Andover Ave. and is legally described as 36D678 LOT 678 DEARBORN ACRES SUB NO. 2 T2S R9E L33 P79 WCR (Property I.D. 44 009 02 0678 000) in the amount of \$250.00 to Derrick Gilkey. Resolution 09-20-139COV – Motion carried**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>

E. Discussion/Action: (Councilwoman Sandra Watley) Consideration and approval of a Resolution to establish the Inkster Risk Management Commission in compliance with the mandate and definition enumerated in the City of Inkster government website

**Moved by Councilmember Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Watley**

**to approve of a Resolution to establish the Inkster Risk Management Commission in compliance with the mandate and definition enumerated in the City of Inkster government website  
Resolution 09-20-140COV – Motion failed**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Nay</b>
<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Nay</b>

F. Discussion/Action: (Kaitlyn Hines) Consider approval of offer to purchase (Case # LD 20-09) one (1) commercial building, which is located on the east side of Inkster Rd. between Lehigh Ave. and Hopkins Ave. and is legally described as 31F1435 TO 1439 LOTS 1435 TO 1439 INCL WATSONIA PARK SUB NO. 2 T2S R10E L55 P9 WCR (Property I.D. 44 025 02 1435 000), or 4437 Inkster Rd., in the amount of \$12,582.00 to Alice’s Creative Childcare.

**Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Howard to approve of an offer to purchase (Case # LD 20-09) one (1) commercial building, which is located on the east side of Inkster Rd. between Lehigh Ave. and Hopkins Ave. and is legally described as 31F1435 TO 1439 LOTS 1435 TO 1439 INCL WATSONIA PARK SUB NO. 2 T2S R10E L55 P9 WCR (Property I.D. 44 025 02 1435 000), or 4437 Inkster Rd., in the amount of \$12,582.00 to Alice’s Creative Childcare  
Resolution 09-20-141COV – Motion carried**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Nay</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Mayor Wimberly</b>	<b>Yea</b>		

G. Discussion/Action: (City Council) To vote in accordance with the vote taken in closed session. (Bevins)

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to vote in accordance with the vote taken in closed session. (Bevins)  
Resolution 09-20-142COV – Motion carried**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Nay</b>
<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Mayor Wimberly</b>	<b>Yea</b>		

H. Discussion/Action: (City Council) To vote in accordance with the vote taken in closed session. (Crowder)

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to vote in accordance with the vote taken in closed session. (Crowder)  
Resolution 09-20-143COV – Motion carried**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>Councilmember Shaw</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Washington</b>	<b>Yea</b>
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<b>Councilmember Williams</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Watley</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Councilmember Howard</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Councilmember Chisholm</b>	<b>Yea</b>

**Public Participation**

- **Octavia Smith** – Made several announcements from Western Wayne Family Health Center, Inkster Chamber and the Inkster Task Force.
- **Charles Blackwell** – Stated the city is violating the open meetings act.
- **Ruth E. Williams** – Asked administration when was the next Planning Commission meeting. She stated she has been trying to get on the agenda for two months and will send a request to Kaitlyn Hines.

**City Clerk**

- No comments

**City Treasurer**

- No comments

**Mayor and Council**

- **Councilman Shaw** – Stated that more Police Officers are needed in the North East section of the city on Oakwood, Parkwood, Hazelwood and Glenwood.
- **Councilman Williams** – Asked if there could be a report from the Mayor on what Code Enforcement officers are doing in the city.
- **Councilwoman Washington** – Asked about having a tree removed on Claire Street. She stated there is speeding on Parkwood and more Police presence is needed. She also asked about speed bumps in the neighborhood. She stated she will be participating in a Mental Health webinar and will provide the dates at a later time.
- **Councilman Chisholm** – Stated that Ron Johnson sent out emails to city council with concerns. He stated there is still flooding in the city. He asked is the city considering speed bumps in the neighborhoods and if paperwork is being accepted for speed bumps. He lastly asked where would that funding come.
- **Councilwoman Watley** – Read aloud a statement regarding the dismissal of the Suite B Case. She said the case was dismissed without any liability to the city. She stated the case cost the tax payers \$100,000 in funding. She asked the City Attorney if he had any comments regarding the dismissal.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made  
By Councilmember Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Washington carried, to conclude  
the Regular Virtual City Council meeting of September 8, 2020 was adjourned at 10:44PM.

**APPROVED**



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk  
City of Inkster