

January 05, 2026

Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on January 5, 2026 in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

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

Closed Session

Moved by Councilwoman Howard Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge to go into Closed session @6:36pm pm to discuss pending litigation.

Moved by Councilwoman Scott Seconded by Councilwoman Rutledge to come out of closed session @ 7:01pm

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Scott	Yea
Councilmember Rutledge	Yea	Councilmember Bishop	Excused
Mayor Pro Tem Chisholm	Yea	Councilwoman Richardson	Yea

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Prayer

Prayer was led by Doris Moton-Spruill

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	Present (Inkster, MI)
Councilwoman Richardson	Present (Inkster, MI)

Approval of Agenda

**Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm to approve agenda for January 5, 2026 meeting
Resolution #01-26-01GH-5-0 Motion Carried
Excused-Councilman Bishop**

Presentations/Discussion

January 2026 update Zoning Board-A.C. Williams

Public Hearings

None

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of December 15, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

**Moved by Councilwoman Howard Seconded Councilwoman Rutledge
Resolution #01-26-02GH – 5-0 Motion Carried
Excused-Councilman Bishop**

Boards and Commission

None

Previous Business

Ordinance(s)

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

New Business

None

Public Participation

- ❖ **Evonne Moore-MLK Day of Service-Inkster Housing MLK 1/19 10-1 Simmons Center. Xmas Party Thank You for all the support, Unity in the Community Hygiene kits, water, soup and sandwiches, hand sanitizer, hats/gloves need 150 kits 1/16 drop off 10-2: flyers tomorrow**
- ❖ **Jamal Harrison-water bill/lead in water, roads, speed bumps; lead notification, is Inkster offering any type of remediation. Mandated by the state to replace all lead**

lines. Water bill inconsistency is there a remedy soon. Roads-what is the plan for John Daly/Beech Daly any help for our roads.

- ❖ **Dr. Shetina M. Jones-Smith-AKA Inkster thank you all for your support over the last 2 years, ran again and won., invitation to join us at a chapter meeting come and talk about Inkster. Service Bldg. Vice Chair L. Johnson; Founders Day free event at Bloom in Southfield, partnership day of service.**
- ❖ **April K. Garrett-Weslyn A. Bennett Foundation 2026 activities 1st Saturday 3/7/26 noon; June Tenth 6/13/26 1pm Parade. Kids and cooking 9/19; last of critical family numbers, Sarah young passed away at 99 years old; Maxine Bennett in December. End of December 12 families 44 children 10 families that attend Daly School Weslyn Bennett 5th year nonprofit organization.**
- ❖ **Gabe Henderson-Inkster Goodfellows-Happy New Year THANK YOU (4xs) to all who helped the Inkster Goodfellows Police Fire council put add in paper. Prayers for Barbara Cooper lost her husband and sister-in-law; We Rise mon, tues & wed 3:30p-4:30p**

Clerk- Still processing Business Licenses and FOIA's; Octavia Smith hosted a Walk on New Year's Day, and Antoine Shaw expressed to me his gratitude about Police and Fire (First Responders) always going above and beyond in taking care of the city.

City Treasurer

Water bills were mailed out 2 months not 1 month, 2 billing cycles; account online encourages all residents to get the new meters if not the next couple of months will have to stop service.

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Rutledge-NC**
- **Councilmember Scott – NC**
- **Councilmember Bishop-Excused**
- **Councilmember Howard-NC**
- **Councilmember Richardson -Happy New Year community forum Feb month, Wayne County treasurer, will be taking a leave having surgery this week cancer requesting prayers, encourage everyone to go get tested.**
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm- A few accidents along Mich Ave traffic lights turned into blinking is a hazard, lights at Michigan and Harrison, Michigan and Henry Ruff**
- **Mayor Nolen-Happy New Year!**

Adjournment

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

By Councilwoman Richardson Seconded by Councilwoman Howard and carried, to conclude the Regular City Council meeting of Monday, January 5, 2026 @ 8:08 pm