

February 17, 2026

**Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, was held on February 17, 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 Scott Seconded by Councilman Bishop to go into Closed session @6:17pm pm to discuss pending litigation.**

**Moved by Councilwoman Scott Seconded by Councilwoman Bishop to come out of closed session @ 6:56pm**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**Call Meeting to Order**

Mayor Byron Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:04pm

**Prayer**

Prayer was led by Dr. Phyllis Long

**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 Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Howard to approve agenda for February 17, 2026 meeting  
Resolution #02-26-19GH-6-0 Motion Carried**

**Presentations/Discussion**

**Public Hearings**

**None**

**Consent Agenda**

A. Approval of February 17, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

**Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge Seconded Councilman Bishop  
Resolution #02-26-20GH – 6-0 Motion Carried**

**Boards and Commission**

**Previous Business**

**Ordinance(s)**

**A. First Reading(s) none**

**B. Second Reading(s) none**

**New Business**

**A. (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director)-Consider approval of Springhill Isabelle Water Main Replacement**

**Moved by Councilman Bishop, Seconded by Councilwoman Howard  
Resolution #02-26-21GH-6-0 Motion Carried**

**B. (Council members)- Consider approving a Proclamation and Celebration for AmeriCorps Week March 13, 2026-James Eberheart, Jr.**

**Moved by Councilwoman Rutledge, Seconded by Councilwoman Scott  
Resolution # 02-26-22GH – 6-0 Motion Carried**

### **Public Participation**

- **James Screal Eberheart Jr.-Ameri Corps Week; Proclamation to Honor Ameri Corp week 3/9-3/15 Broadband Infrastructure skills for seniors.**
- **Dr. Phyllis M. Long-A Journey with Lupus Meeting; Saturday February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting w/Lupus. Thomas Sabrowski meetings open to the public. Blood Drive at Leanna Hicks Library.**
- **Sandra K. Watley-Increase voter participation-Black History Month; Meeting to increase voter participation. Strategies to counter act voter suppression**
- **James Richardson-Anniversary wishes to my wife! Celebrating 54 years on 01/25; sing lyrics from 2 years ago "I Love You Just the Way You Are"**
- **Pastor Velma Jean Overman-THANK YOU! Publicly Thank the Inkster Police Department, Inkster Fire Department, and Council for all their assistance during this time. The fire went through the garage and up through the attic.**
- **Dr. Fleda Fleming-Westwood's Got Talent-Saturday 3pm Robichaud; tickets \$10 adult, students \$5 and \$5 more at the door**

**Clerk- Introduced new Deputy Clerk Dashika Hill**

### **City Treasurer**

**End of property tax collection payments up to Monday 3/2/26 after that considered delinquent and sent down to Wayne County. Payments can be dropped off at Inkster City Hall**

### **Mayor and Council**

- **Councilmember Rutledge-N/C**
- **Councilmember Scott -N/C**
- **Councilmember Bishop-N/C**
- **Councilmember Howard-N/C**
- **Councilmember Richardson-Saturday 3/1 Community Forum at Booker Dozier Rec Complex, Wayne County Treasurer Eric Sabree, SOS Mobile Unit, Red Cross; flyers coming soon, calendar has printing errors. Lastly Thank all for prayers, support, text messages, calls, Mayor delivered lunch, cards and flowers. Good to feel wanted and appreciated, back and cancer free. Thankful for my husband for 54 years but he was not a good nurse, he went to sleep. Always get your checkups.**
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Chisholm-Detroit ProsperUs free entrepreneur class hosted at the Inkster Library (link to apply) Happy Black History Month**
- **Mayor Nolen-Going to Westland City Hall Meeting April 13, 2026 @ 7:00pm on agenda, its critical to show up in numbers**

### **Adjournment**

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

By Councilwoman Howard Seconded by Councilwoman Scott and carried, to conclude the Regular City Council meeting of Monday, February 17, 2026 @ 7:35pm

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