

September 21, 2009

Minutes of the regular meeting of the city council of the City of Kingsford, County of Dickinson, and State of Michigan.

A regular meeting of the Kingsford city council was held Monday, September 21, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the council room in City Hall.

Roll Call: Present: Councilmember Baldwin, Flaminio, Miller, Novara, and Sjoquist.
Absent: None.

Also present were City Manager Darryl Wickman, City Attorney Bruce Brouillette, Public Safety Director Jan Groeneveld, Public Works Superintendent Anthony Edlebeck, Kevin Kleinert, Bob Goodreau, Nikki Younk, Lynn Harvey, and Jeff Pearson.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Novara and supported by Councilmember Baldwin to approve the agenda as presented.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following items:

Minutes of the regular council meeting held September 8, 2009
Bills Payable from September 8, 2009 to September 21, 2009
Public Safety Department report
CUPPAD Notice of Intent – U.P. Health Education Corporation project

A motion was made by Councilmember Sjoquist and supported by Councilmember Miller to approve the consent agenda.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Under public comment, Mr. Lynn Harvey addressed the council on the police and fire/public safety study that began in 2005-2006 in the City of Iron Mountain. He stated that there are two (2) questions he would like to council to discuss and consider. They are what is the desired level of fire protection services in Kingsford, and what the desired level of policing for the city is. Once these questions are answered, production and provision models can be identified. Costs can also then be estimated for alternative production provision models and then assess the political acceptability of alternative models.

A copy of all communications are affixed to and made a part of the permanent record.

A letter and petition from Joseph Pacheco was read regarding moving and separating the bleachers at the Kingsford Commemorative Field to create a larger, safer flow of traffic and to provide a direct view to the scoreboard and field from the concession stand.

The city manager stated he feels the council needs time to study this request as there would be some expense involved in moving the bleachers. Also, the bleachers, if and when moved, should be set on a blacktop pad as they currently are. He said it may also require some professional help in moving them. He recommended that the letter be received and placed on file for further study.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin and supported by Mayor Flaminio to receive and place the letter and petition from Joseph Pacheco on file for further study by the city manager and public works superintendent and/or the Planning Commission.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The city manager gave his report including updates on an upcoming meeting regarding Revolving Loan Funds and options that may be available to satisfy HUD requirements, the Oldenburg project, the NAPA/Burger King entrance project, and the annual fall leave collection that is scheduled to begin October 5, 2009. A notice of the fall leave collection will be published in the Daily News.

A motion was made by Councilmember Novara and supported by Councilmember Miller to receive the manager's report and place it on file.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Under old business, a bid tabulation and recommendation of award for the Long Avenue extension project was presented to the council. Nancy Roberts of U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc. recommended that the project be awarded to Bacco Construction Company for a price of \$33,959.50.

A motion was made by Mayor Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldwin to grant the notice of award to Bacco Construction Company in the amount of \$33,959.50 for the extension of Long Avenue.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Under new business, Kevin Kleinert submitted a revised site plan for the ASE Apartment project.

After a brief explanation and discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Miller and supported by Councilmember Novara to approve the revised site plan for the ASE Apartment project.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Also under new business, the Habitat for Humanity request for a letter of support was read.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin and supported by Councilmember Novara to authorize the mayor and city manager to sign a letter of support for Habitat for Humanity.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There were no hearings or public comments.

Under council member's privilege, Councilmember Baldwin suggested a letter be sent regarding revenue sharing being severely cut again.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin and supported by Councilmember Sjoquist that the city send to the state legislature a letter opposing the revenue sharing cuts.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Flaminio suggested that the Public Safety Committee meet with the city manager and public safety director to see if we have certain goals in relation to the study Lynn Harvey is performing and whether or not the study is feasible.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilmember Novara and supported by Councilmember Miller to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.