

January 2, 2018

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 Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the council room in City Hall.

Roll Call: Present: Councilmember Baldinelli, Dixon-Miller, Erickson, Flaminio and Groeneveld
Absent: None

Also present were City Manager Anthony Edlebeck, City Attorney Bruce Brouillette, Public Safety Lieutenant Joe Menghini, Public Works Superintendent Justin Wickman, Holly Palmer, Maggie Lanthier and Floyd Lindholm.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the December 12, 2017 Board of Review minutes as presented.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to approve the December 18, 2017 City Council Meeting minutes as presented.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the agenda as presented.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to approve the invoices for December 19, 2017 through January 2, 2018 in the amount of \$132,273.20.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

Public Works Report

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the consent agenda.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no Public Comments.

The first item under Communications is a letter from Dickinson County Library re: the redesigning of the Reading Room of the main branch in Iron Mountain and consideration to purchase advertising in the redesigned space.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to table the Dickinson County Library's request to purchase advertising in order to compile more information.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The last item under Communications is an email from Jonathan Ringel, Director of the Northern Lights YMCA – Dickinson Center requesting moral support for their efforts in the YMCA Capital Campaign. A draft resolution was enclosed for the council's consideration.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to adopt Resolution No. 2018/01/02.1 Endorsing the Northern Lights YMCA Dickinson Center's Capital Campaign to renovate and expand its aging facilities and offer support and resources to help promote, advocate and assist the Northern Lights YMCA Dickinson Center reach its goal so the Northern Lights YMCA Dickinson Center can continue its mission in our community for generations to come.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Baldinelli, Erickson, Dixon-Miller, Flaminio and Groeneveld
Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED.

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

The Manager's Report was presented by Edlebeck.

- The engineers are actively working on the Brownfield Redevelopment Environmental Assessment and Reports for the LoDal Property Project. The Phase II ESA report should be completed the first week of January along with the work plan for the Baseline Environmental

Assessment (BEA). Following approval of the BEA work plan, it is anticipated the project will be completed by the end of January.

- The Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Monday, January 22, 2018 at 6:45pm CST to consider recommending an amendment to the zoning language contained in the B1 Zoning District. They are considering recommending a change to Section 44-222 under (7) Dwellings – to add two-bedroom units to the existing allowance of efficiency and one-bedroom units. To continue the momentum, it is recommended the City Council also schedule a Public Hearing in this regard to be held at its February 5, 2018 meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to schedule a public hearing for February 5, 2018 at 6:45pm CST to discuss consideration of changing the zoning language of the B-1 Zoning District to include two-bedroom units in addition to efficiency and one-bedroom units.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- 26 deer have been harvested during the 2017 city archery hunt. This is down significantly from the past three years harvests of 43 in 2016, 41 in 2015 and 53 in 2014.
- Included with the Manager's Report is a DRAFT Agreement to acquire a strip of property approximately 58 feet wide and along the south line of the 13.65 acres of Madken Realty property north of Dickinson Homes, Kingsford Industries and Lodal Park. This property will provide access to the current water and sewer mains located in this area and provide for a future extension of Maule Drive from Knudsen Drive to Balsam Street. Also included are drawings of 13 access agreements for different locations for required monitoring and venting locations on city properties by Ford/KPC representative along with a DRAFT agreement.
- The Civil Service Commission met recently and is advertising for entry-level applications for the public safety department until January 19, 2018. Eligible applicants will be tested following the application deadline in order to establish a new two-year list of eligible candidates to fill any openings in the department.
- The next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 16th due to the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday, January 15th.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the January 2, 2018 Manager's Report.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The first item under Old Business is the Bid Results for Oak Timber Harvest. The areas affected by oak wilt are Ford Park, Triangle Park and a piece of city property south of the Evergreen Heights subdivision. City Manager Edlebeck has been working closely with Brock VanOss of VanOss Forestry Services in preparation for the oak timber harvest. There were two bidders; however, one of the bidders incorrectly calculated their figures. In addition to the incorrect calculations, that bidder, Triest Forest Products, was also unable to meet the March deadline; hence, Triest Forest Products withdrew their bid. The second bid was submitted by 1st Down Tree Service in the amount of \$1001.00.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to accept the bid from 1st Down Tree Service in the amount of \$1001.00 for the Oak Timber Harvest.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The last item under Old Business is the Bid Results of Dickinson Conservation District's oak stump and brush removal. This is in conjunction with the Oak Timber Harvest project mentioned above. The Dickinson Conservation District received a grant for oak wilt management and approached Kingsford in order to use up the grant funds by the deadline date of January 1st, 2018. The work includes stump & brush removal and restoration, including chip clean-up, filling stump holes with top soil and complete landscaping. Five bids were received and Beck's Tree Service was selected. The forester stated the work can be completed within the grant amount, therefore there will be no cost to the city. The City Attorney drafted a letter of understanding to be signed by the contractor, the Dickinson Conservation District and City Manager Edlebeck.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the bid result information from the Dickinson Conservation District.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The only item under New Business is the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Audit Report. City Manager Edlebeck reviewed a few items within the audit and stated that the City's auditor, Scott Kenney, will be available at the Council's request. The City Council requested to have the audit presentation held at the January 16, 2018 meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Audit Report.

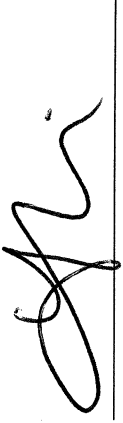
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no further public comment.

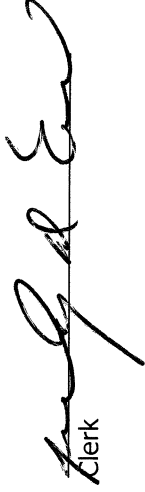
Under Councilmembers Privilege, Councilmember Flaminio thanked City Manager Edlebeck and City Attorney Brouillette for their diligence and efforts pertaining to Ford/KPC business. Councilmember Groeneveld asked for prayers for the two families of the recent tragedy to strike our community. Councilmember Baldinelli reiterated Councilmember Flaminio's thanks.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to adjourn the meeting.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.



Mayor



Clerk