

December 18, 2017

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, December 18, 2017 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 Director Brian Metras, Public Works Superintendent Justin Wickman, Holly Palmer, Maggie Lanthier and Floyd Lindholm.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to approve the December 4, 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 amended [adding A. to Old Business – Vote on December 4th Committee Appointments].
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the invoices for December 5, 2017 through December 18, 2017 in the amount of \$238,240.67.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

Public Safety Report
November Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli 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 Notice of Hearing from Michigan Public Service Commission re: Case No. U-18999 on December 20, 2017 at 9:00am.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the Notice of Hearing from Michigan Public Service Commission re: Case No. U-18999.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The second item under Communications is the Annual Summer Tax Resolution from the Breitung Township School District requesting the City collect summer taxes from the school district.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to receive and place on file the Annual Summer Tax Resolution from the Breitung Township School District.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. 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. They are completing some additional MDEQ required field work that was determined following the initial work results.
- 26 deer have been harvested as of Friday, December 15, 2017.
- The 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Audit Report is being delayed due to the P&F Pension Actuary Report not being available until next week. Once the report is available to the auditor, he will be able to finalize the audit report. We are anticipating having it available for the Council to accept at the January 2nd meeting. The exit interview between the Auditor, City Manager and Treasurer was held and the results were positive.

- o The oak timber harvest bids for the city-owned properties with areas of concern for oak wilt will be opened publicly at 3:00pm on December 28th at City Hall. The City Council will receive a report from Van Oss Forestry at the January 2nd meeting. The Dickinson Conservation District is providing grant funds through the State of Michigan for the grinding of the stumps and brush removal. The Dickinson Conservation District will be opening bids for this work on December 28th also. Brock Van Oss anticipated the grant will be adequate to pay for the work. The City Manager requests permission from the City Council to enter into an agreement with the Dickinson Conservation District to reimburse them for costs, in the event that costs to complete the stump and brush removal exceeds the grant funds.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to enter into an agreement with the Dickinson Conservation District to reimburse any additional costs above the allotted grant funds for stump and brush removal work.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

It was at this time the Public Information Hearing scheduled for 6:45pm began, addressing the USDA Patrol Car Grant. Edlebeck read the Notice of Public Hearing as it was published in The Daily News on November 24, 2017. Edlebeck provided the letter he received from Donald J. Gerrick, Jr., Area Director of the USDA, stating the City of Kingsford is eligible for this grant. With there being no comment received by City Manager or during the hearing, the paperwork can be submitted along with the minutes of this meeting and affidavit of the Public Information Meeting notice publication to the USDA Rural Development.

City Manager Edlebeck continued with the Manager's Report.

- o In observance of the upcoming holidays, the City Hall and Public Works Facility will be closed on Friday, December 22nd and Monday, December 25th for Christmas and Friday, December 29th and Monday, January 1st for New Years. Garbage normally collected on Monday, December 25th will be collected on Tuesday, December 26th; garbage collected the week after New Year's Day will be one day later than normal.
- o The next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 2nd due to the New Year's holiday.
- o The City of Kingsford is registered to participate in the 2020 LUCA (Local Update of Census Addresses) for the upcoming 2020 census. CUPPAD will be participating as our liaison for this project.
- o I wish to extend a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous 2018 to the City Council, Employees and Residents of Kingsford.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the December 18, 2017 Manager's Report.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The only item under Old Business is the 2018 Committee Appointment Approval.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to approve the Committee Appointments as listed in the minutes from the City Council meeting held December 4, 2017.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The only item under New Business is the Board of Review Member Training scheduled for January 18, 2017 at the Breitung Township Hall in Quinnesec, MI. If any councilmember is interested in attending this training, please let the City Assessor or City Manager know prior to the next council meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to receive and place on file the notice of 2018 Board of Review Member Training.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no further public comment.

Under Councilmembers Privilege, Councilmember Baldinelli touched on the Dickinson County Code Commission and listed some positive statistics of their budget. Also, recommended everyone have a designated driver for New Year's. Councilmember Groeneveld mentioned he went to the Open House at the 51st State Brewery and stated it was very nice. A brief discussion took place. He also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone, as did Councilmember Flaminio. Mayor Erickson wished everyone a safe and Happy Holidays.

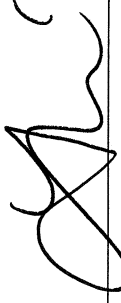
At this time, the Public Hearing that was scheduled for 7:00pm began, addressing the abandonment of Balsam Street in the Plat of River View Addition to the Village of Kingsford No. 2.

Edlebeck read the Notice of Public Hearing as it was published in The Daily News on November 24, 2017. A map was provided to the Councilmembers showing the referenced property. Edlebeck did not receive any verbal or written objections.

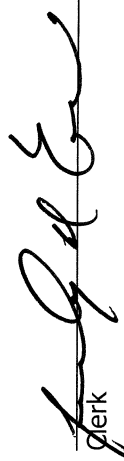
The Mayor asked three times if there were any comments. Hearing none, a motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to approve the abandonment of the undeveloped portion of Balsam Street located in the Plat of River View Addition to the Village of Kingsford No. 2.

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

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to adjourn the meeting.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.



Mayor



Clerk