

December 21, 2015

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 21, 2015 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, Floyd Lindholm, Thomas Bolda, and Holly Palmer.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Erickson to approve the December 7, 2015 City Council Meeting minutes.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the December 15, 2015 Board of Review minutes.
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 Erickson and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to approve the invoices for December 7 through December 21, 2015 in the amount of \$109,180.16.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

Public Safety Department Report for November 2015

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 comment.

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

The only item under communications is a December 15, 2015 letter from Breitung Township Schools. City Manager Edlebeck explained that this is an annual request for collection of 100% of the total school property taxes.

A motion was made by Councilmember Erickson and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the December 15, 2015 letter from Breitung Township Schools.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Under the manager's report, City Manager Edlebeck updated the council on the SAW grant. Two sets of the sewer televising reports with videos have been received. Coleman Engineering has one copy that they will be reviewing for the final report, and the other copy is at city hall; informed the council that the 2016 MML UP Education Summit is scheduled to be held on June 8-10 in Ironwood and the 2016 MML Convention is scheduled to be held September 14-16 on Mackinac Island; reminded the council that the City Hall and Public Works Facility will be closed on December 24th and 25th for the Christmas holiday and also on December 31st and January 1st for the New Year's holiday. Thursday garbage collection for these two weeks will be collected on Wednesday. An ad has been run in The Daily News and a notice is posted on the city's website; he extended to everyone a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous 2016.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the December 21, 2015 manager's report.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no old business.

Under new business, the only item is the 2014-2015 audit report. City Manager Edlebeck stated that the audit report was received on Friday, December 18, 2015 and included in the council packet. He expects

the councilmembers to take some time to review it. There are a number of notes that were included by the auditor and included separately from the bound copy. The biggest item that is included in the report which is a change for 2014 is the reporting requirements for the GASB 68 law that takes into account the unfunded accrued liabilities for pensions. One of the other things that will be coming up is the OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) requirements. That will be coming up in the next two years. It will take into account the paid health insurance benefits or contribution towards health insurance benefits that the city is providing their retirees. He has spoken to Scott Kenney (auditor) to arrange for him to come to a meeting in January to answer any questions the council may have. Mr. Edlebeck's recommendation for tonight is to receive and place on file the audit report so that it may be submitted to the State of Michigan and the other agencies that are required to have this audit by the end of this year.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the 2014-2015 audit report.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

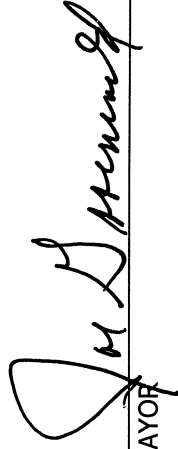
There were no hearings or public comments.

Under Councilmember's privilege, Councilmember Baldinelli wished everyone a safe holiday.

Councilmember Dixon-Miller stated that she's glad they caught the sheep (referring to the item in the Public Safety report regarding the sheep that was running through yards on Westwood Ave. and was captured and returned to its owner outside the city).

Mayor Groeneveld stated that now he knows why he was appointed mayor—because that way he won't ask a lot of questions and the meeting will go faster! He also stated "Everyone here have a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday."

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


MAYOR


CLERK