

August 15, 2016

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, August 15, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the council room in City Hall.

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

Also present were City Manager Anthony Edlebeck, City Attorney Bruce Brouillette, Public Safety Director Metras, Public Works Superintendent Justin Wickman, Treasurer Holly Palmer, Floyd Lindholm, Kyle Meyette, Trever Wittock, Adam Sanford, Ryan Wille, and Evan Reid. The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the August 1, 2016 City Council Meeting minutes.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Erickson and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the agenda.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to approve the invoices for August 1, 2016 to August 15, 2016 in the amount of \$351,222.80.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

Public Safety Report July 2016  
Treasurer's Report July 2016

There is a request from Director Metras to send Brian Adams to Marquette for a 4 day interview and interrogation technique class at the Jacobetti Complex at NMU from 09/13/2016 thru 09/16/16. The total cost of the class with labor will be approximately \$2020.00. The training budget is in good shape and can accommodate these costs.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Erickson to approve sending Officer Adams to the training class at NMU.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

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

There was no public comment.

The first item under Communications is a letter regarding the Michigan Municipal League Annual Meeting Notice. The Annual Convention will be held on Mackinac Island on September 14-16, 2016.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to allow a maximum of 2 Councilmembers to attend the Annual Convention.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The next item under Communications is a letter from Michigan Department of Natural Resources regarding the Management Plan for Menominee River State Recreation Area. There is an open house meeting on August 23 in Norway, MI and on August 24 in Pembine, WI.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the letter from Michigan Department of Natural Resources.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The last item under Communications is a Notice of Public Hearing DTE Gas Company Case No. U-176941-R. The public hearing in this matter will be held on Thursday, September 1, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Erickson and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the Notice of Public Hearing from DTE.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The Manager's Report was presented by Edlebeck. Edlebeck explained that he has not received any applications for a full-time assessor. He has received three proposals for assessing and mentoring services and Amy Payant is pursuing certification for assessing technician and certification for level II assessor. Edlebeck advised he would be making a recommendation soon. Edlebeck has received application from the MDNR for Deer Control Permits for this fall. Last year we made application for up to 65 permits and 41 deer were harvested.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Erickson to approve 65 Deer Control Permits for this fall.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Continuing under the Manger's Report Edlebeck explained that he has had a discussion with Nancy Helgren, UPEA regarding the tennis court project and a request for extension of the Passport Grant can be submitted in February 2017. He would like to see if we can devise a plan to recondition the courts under our budget and MDNR specifications. Edlebeck recommended the bids of June 20 be rejected. A discussion took place regarding the tennis court project.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to reject the bids from June 5 and proceed with working on an alternative plan for the tennis court project.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Continuing under the Manager's Report Edlebeck explained the Iron Mountain-Kingsford Joint Sewer Authority requests a joint meeting of the two city councils on August 29, 2016 at 6:30 pm CDT in the Kingsford City Council Chambers to discuss the proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades project scopes. Edlebeck has received a request from Mr. Dave Lee, Dickinson County News.com that he be provided a copy of the City Council packet prior to the City Council meetings. A discussion took place regarding confidential information that may be in the packet.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to provide the packet to the media except any items deemed confidential.  
4 AYES. 1 NAY. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Erickson and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the August 15, 2016 Manager's Report.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS MOTION CARRIED.

The only item under Old Business is the Bid Opening for Local Street and Alley Paving Bids. The bids received are:

Bacco	\$186,340.00
Northeast Asphalt	\$215,490.00

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Erickson to accept the low bid of \$186,340.00 from Bacco provided it meets all specifications.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The only item under New Business is a proposal for a Disc Golf Course. A presentation for the Disc Golf Course was presented by Ryan Wille and Adam Sanford. The organization is the Menominee Range Gliders which has 40 paid members. The proposed site is approximately 27 acres of City of Kingsford property north of Balzola field by the airport. The estimated cost would be approximately \$20,000.00. Donations from local businesses would be solicited. A discussion took place regarding the Disc Golf proposal.

There were no public hearings.

Under Public Comment, Trever Wittock of 222 Maple Street expressed support for the Disc Golf Course. Kyle Meyette of 204 Cleveland also expressed support for the Disc Golf Course.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon Miller and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to recess the regular meeting at 7:44 pm and go to Executive Session of the Council to discuss ongoing negotiations and to discuss an application of which applicant requested to remain confidential.

Roll Call: Ayes: Flaminio, Groeneveld, Dixon-Miller, Baldinelli, and Erickson  
Nays: none

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to reconvene the regular City Council meeting at 8:21 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Groeneveld, Dixon-Miller, Baldinelli, and Erickson  
Nays: none

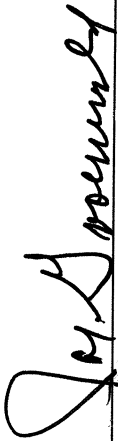
Not present: Flaminio

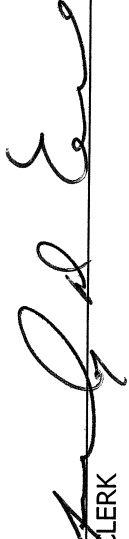
A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported Councilmember Erickson to deny the grievance discussed in executive session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Groeneveld, Dixon-Miller, Baldinelli, Erickson  
Nays: none  
Not present: Flaminio

Under Councilmember's Privilege Councilmember Baldinelli commented that he would like to thank Pete Schlitt for all the work he did in the past obtaining reimbursement for the freezing winter of 2014.

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

  
MAYOR

  
CLERK