

April 16, 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 Monday, April 16, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the council room in City Hall.

Roll Call: Present: Councilmember Baldinelli, Dixon-Miller, Groeneveld, Flaminio and Erickson  
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, Tanya Hiltonen, Maggie Lanthier, Floyd Lindholm, Kristen Gendron, Chad Lindeman, Alexander Erickson and Catherine Erickson.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the April 2, 2018 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 letter from Al Unger, BTS Athletic Director].  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to approve the invoices for April 3, 2018 through April 16, 2018 in the amount of \$233,034.00.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

Public Safety Report  
March 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.

Under Public Comment, Chad Lindeman of 417 Waverly addressed the council on behalf of the Kingsford Baseball Team regarding the condition of Lodal Field. He asked for the Council's consideration to provide funding for new soil for the baseball fields. Volunteers are available for labor; equipment will be needed. Soil samples and prices were provided to Supt. Wickman, which totaled approximately \$12,500 for the quantity requested.

The first item under Communications was Public Service Commission Notice of Hearing for the Natural Gas Customers of DTE Gas Company Case No. U-20110 re: approval for determination of Credit A to reflect the effects of the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 to be held on April 19, 2018 at 9:30am in Lansing, Michigan.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the Public Service Commission Notice of Hearing Case No. U-20110.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The second item under Communications was Public Service Commission Notice of Hearing for the Electric & Gas Customers of Upper Michigan Energy Resources Corp. Case No. U-20106 re: approval for determination of Credit A to reflect the effects of the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 in its natural gas and electric general base rates to be held on April 19, 2018 at 9:00am in Lansing, Michigan.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to receive and place on file the Public Service Commission Notice of Hearing Case No. U-20106.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The third item under Communications was the Ad Request for MSHAA UP Track and Field Championships Program. Last year, the City Council approved a ¼-page ad in the amount of \$295.00. This year's price is the same should the Council decide to approve the same size ad.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve a ¼-page ad in the 2018 MHSAA UP Track & Field Championships Program in the amount of \$295.00.  
4 AYES. 1 NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The last item under Communications was a Request for Street & Alley Closure for the UP Track Meet. The Kingsford High School will once again be hosting the Upper Peninsula High School Track Finals on Saturday, June 2, 2018 with approximately 50 schools participating. As done in the past, the school is

requesting the closure of the 600 block of Hamilton Avenue and the alley behind the 700 block of Hamilton Avenue from 6:00am – 6:00 pm.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to approve the road/alley closure as requested.  
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.

- o Senate Bill 741 was passed by the Senate by a vote of 22-13 on April 11<sup>th</sup> which pertains to restricting local units of government from enacting or enforcing Specific Dog Breed Ordinances in Michigan. The Bill is proceeding to the House for review.
- o The Parcel Mapping Project continues to progress and is expected to be completed in May. The City Manager should be receiving a demonstration by the engineers and will plan to have an additional demonstration for the City Council once the project is complete.
- o The State of Michigan has received the Passport Grant Application and is currently under review.
- o The Brownfield Grant assisted environmental assessment project for the Lodal property continues and is progressing.
- o The bid opening for the IMKWWTP project will be opened publicly at 2:00pm CST on April 26<sup>th</sup>.
- o Edlebeck and the Department Heads are working on the FY 18-19 Budget and hope to have a draft and work session with the City Council in May.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the April 16, 2018 Manager's Report.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no Old Business.

The first item under New Business was the Resolution Authorizing the Signing of MDOT Contract Number 18-5116. This resolution authorizes the Mayor and City Manager to sign, on behalf of the City of Kingsford, the contract for the Woodward Avenue Project [from North Boulevard to Kimberly Avenue]. Also provided was a copy of the contract from the State of Michigan.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve Resolution No. 2018/4/16.1 re: Authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to sign the Woodward Avenue Small Urban Contract.

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

The second item under New Business was the Request to purchase City-owned B-1 zoned business lot for off-street parking. Mr. Gilbert Lafave has purchased the building at 1417 Breen Avenue and needs additional off-street parking. He is requesting to purchase Lot 1, Block 4 of the Plat of Skidmore's Addition to the Village of Kingsford for the City of Kingsford. The Assessor has valued this lot at approximately \$3500-\$4000. It is the City Manager's recommendation the City approve this sale for \$3,500 plus closing costs, with the stipulations that the property is to be used for off-street parking for the business, the property remain with the business and it must be constructed to a hard surface within 2 years.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to authorize the sale of Lot 1, Block 4 of the Plat of Skidmore's Addition to the Village of Kingsford for the City of Kingsford to Mr. Lafave for \$3500 including all referenced stipulations, and to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign, on behalf of the City, the documents pertaining to the sale.

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

The last item under New Business was the Request to rescind Council Resolution 1995/7/17 that annually reserves Cowboy Lake Pavilion for the Heights Picnic. Edlebeck provided the minutes of the July 17, 1995 City Council meeting where action was taken to reserve the first Saturday in August for the Kingsford Heights Picnic. This picnic has not been held in approximately 20 years. Since this is a popular

weekend to reserve for activities, it is recommended this resolution be rescinded to allow for other reservations to take place at the Cowboy Lake Pavilion on the first Saturday of August.

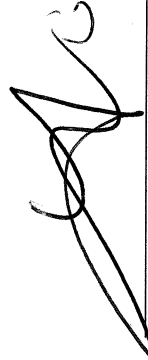
A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to rescind Resolution No. 1995/7/17 allowing for other reservations to take place at the Cowboy Lake Pavilion on the first Saturday of August.

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

There were no Hearings or Public Comment.

Under Councilmember's Privilege, Councilmember Groeneveld commended our City's facilities and would like to find a way to address the concerns and requests made regarding Lodal Park. Mayor Erickson complimented the Public Works employees and their diligence with the recent snow removal. He also stated he would like to explore options to make improvements to Lodal Park.

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.

  
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Mayor

  
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Clerk