

October 28, 2019

Minutes of the special meeting of the city council of the City of Kingsford, County of Dickinson, and State of Michigan.

A special meeting of the Kingsford city council was held Monday, October 28, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in the council room in City Hall.

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

Also present was City Manager Anthony Edlebeck.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

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.

There were no minutes, invoices, public comment, communications, manager's report or new business presented at this meeting.

Under Old Business, an offer to purchase the city block storage building east of City Hall was presented. Edlebeck provided a memo to the City Council and a map of the property. Following the last City Council meeting, a discussion took place between Edlebeck and Assessor Amy Payant regarding the value of the 40'x100' block building block storage owned by the City and located at the southwest corner of Hamilton Avenue and Nelson Drive. She indicated the value with approximately 0.58 acres is \$72,500. Edlebeck spoke with Jerry and Mike Bruns of Bruns Realty, who currently lease the storage building from the City. They are interested in purchasing the building for additional storage for their business and are willing to pay \$70,000. As noted earlier, the goal is to relocate all of the public works department assets from this location to the current DPW location at 1500 Carter Drive. Edlebeck recommends that the City Council authorize the completion of a survey and to sell this building with property as shown on the included map for \$70,000 plus all closing costs. For land sales, there needs to be a 4/5 City Council vote to pass.

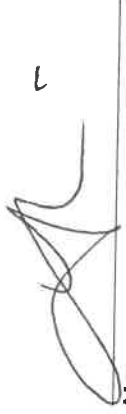
A lengthy discussion took place. Councilmember Dixon-Miller was apprehensive to sell the property and listed numerous reasons why. Edlebeck recommended the proceeds of this land sale be put in the Land Development Fund, and the City Council will need to make a conscious effort how to use those funds.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to authorize the sale of the block building with 0.58 acres to Bruns Realty in the amount of \$70,000.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Baldinelli, Erickson, Flaminio and Groeneveld
Nays: Dixon-Miller
MOTION CARRIED.

Under Councilmember's Privilege, Councilmember Erickson stated there are no viable candidates for a City Manager at this time, and when he [Erickson] is no longer a councilmember, it will be up to the rest of the City Council to continue the search for Edlebeck's replacement. He prefers the council not wait until there's an emergency where a decision is hastily made. He wants there to be more of an urgency to find a replacement. Edlebeck stated there are multiple areas within Michigan that are also searching for City Managers, without much interest. The initial search has consisted of advertising through Michigan Works, the City's website and The Daily News to see if there was interest from someone from the area. If the council would like to broaden the search and advertise through the Michigan Municipal League, that is another option. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to advertise through the MML and also start cross-training another staff member for the city manager duties.

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