

December 2, 2019

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 2, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the council room in City Hall.

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

Also present were City Manager Anthony Edlebeck, City Attorney Bruce Brouillette, Public Safety Director Metras, Public Works Superintendent Jeff DeMuri, Treasurer Holly Palmer, Maggie Lanthier [The Daily News], Deputy Clerk Tanya Hiltonen, Kylie Remer, Dustin Remer, Ethan Mapps, Brad Staedt, Lori Staedt and Floyd Lindholm.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the November 18, 2019 City Council Meeting minutes as presented.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

At this time, Council Re-Organization began.

Mayor Erickson thanked the councilmembers for their support and guidance throughout the last year. He then turned the meeting over to the clerk temporarily. Newly elected Councilmember Remer took a seat at the council table. Edlebeck once again did roll call.

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

Edlebeck requested nominations for Mayor.

Councilmember Dixon-Miller nominated Dennis Baldinelli for Mayor and was supported by Councilmember Remer. Councilmember Groeneveld nominated Michael Flaminio for Mayor and was supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller. A motion to close the nominations was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Councilmember Baldinelli received 3/5 votes. Councilmember Flaminio received 2/5 votes.

Following a vote, Councilmember Baldinelli assumed the Mayor position for the ensuing year.

Mayor Baldinelli assumed his position requesting nominations for Mayor Pro-tem.

Councilmember Dixon-Miller nominated Michael Flaminio for Mayor Pro-tem and was supported by Councilmember Groeneveld. There were no further nominations.

A motion to close the nominations was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Mayor Baldinelli.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The Mayor made his recommendations for the various committee appointments for the ensuing year. Following discussion, revisions were made, and the appointments were finalized as listed below:

- Auditing Committee – Councilmembers Dixon-Miller & Remer
- Negotiations/Personnel – Mayor Baldinelli & Councilmember Groeneveld
- MML Legislative Contacts – Councilmember Flaminio & Mayor Baldinelli (alt)
- Planning Commission – Mayor Baldinelli & Councilmember Flaminio
- Citizens Advisory/Park & Recreation/Decorations – Councilmembers Groeneveld & Remer
- Construction Code Commission – Mayor Baldinelli & Councilmember Flaminio (alt)
- Public Safety Committee – Councilmembers Flaminio & Groeneveld
- IM-Kingsford Joint Sewage Authority – City Manager Edlebeck & Erik Dykhuis
- Central Landfill Authority – City Manager Edlebeck
- US-2/141/M-95 Corridor Committee – Mayor Baldinelli & Councilmember Flaminio (alt)
- Dickinson County Solid Waste Management Authority – City Manager Edlebeck & Councilmember Groeneveld (alt)
- Dickinson County Area Foundation Grant Committee – Councilmember Dixon-Miller
- Northern Michigan Public Service Academy Board – Mayor Baldinelli and Councilmember Flaminio (alt)

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Remer to authorize the purchase of a blanket position and treasurer's bond.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The Council annually authorizes the following banks and institutions as the depositories for all City Funds:

- FIRST BANK UPPER MICHIGAN – KINGSFORD BRANCH
- FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF IRON MOUNTAIN-KINGSFORD
- RANGE BANK – KINGSFORD OFFICE
- MICHIGAN CLASS (Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System)

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to authorize the above-mentioned banks as the depositories and institutions for all City funds.

Resolution No. 2019/12/2.1 was presented for adoption as follows:

Whereas, there may be in and may hereafter, from time to time, come into the hands of Holly Palmer, Treasurer of the City of Kingsford, Dickinson County, Michigan, certain monies belonging to or held by the State, County, or other political units of the State, or otherwise held according to the law; and

Whereas, under the laws of the State of Michigan this board is required to provide by resolution for the deposit of all public monies, including tax monies coming into the hands of the treasurer, in one or more banks hereafter called bank(s) to be designated in such resolution.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that said treasurer, Holly Palmer, is hereby directed to deposit all such public monies, including tax monies now in or coming into her hands as treasurer, in the following bank(s): FIRST BANK UPPER MICHIGAN – KINGSFORD BRANCH, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF IRON MOUNTAIN-KINGSFORD, RANGE BANK – KINGSFORD OFFICE and/or MICHIGAN CLASS (Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System).

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and to adopt Resolution No. 2019/12/2.1 as stated above.

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

The City Council concluded the reorganization and continued with the regular meeting.

At this time, the public hearing scheduled for 6:45pm began addressing the Commercial Rehabilitation District for 900 W. Breitung Avenue.

Mr. Brad Staedt of RR DOWNTOWN, LLC previously made written request to the City Council to consider establishing the property at 900 W. Breitung Avenue as a Commercial Rehabilitation District. Notification was published in The Daily News, sent to the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners and to the owners of RR DOWNTOWN, LLC as required by PA 210 of 2005. City Manager Edlebeck read the notice as it was published in the Daily News on November 8, 2019. Edlebeck stated he had not received any feedback pertaining to this request, for or against.

The Mayor asked three times if there was any public comment; there was none.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Remer to adopt Resolution No. 2019/12/2.2 To Establish Commercial Rehabilitation District 2019-1.

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

The public hearing was concluded.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to approve the agenda as presented.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the invoices for November 19, 2019 through December 2, 2019 in the amount of \$595,298.89. [This included the 2019 paving projects and DPW boiler replacement.]
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- Public Works Report

A motion was made by Councilmember Remer and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld 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 was a Michigan Public Service Commission Notice of Hearing for the Electric Customers of UMERC Case No. U-20533 to be held in Lansing, Michigan on December 11, 2019 at 9:30am.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the Notice of Hearing for the Electric Customers of UMERC Case No. U-20533.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The second item under Communications was a letter from the MDOT re: ACT51 Mileage Certifications Maps. This serves as notification that the MDOT is gradually moving towards making electronic submittals of Act 51 mileage certification maps and supporting documents available to all Act 51 agencies.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to receive and place on file the letter from the MDOT re: ACT51 Mileage Certifications Maps.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The final item under Communications was a training request from the Deputy Clerk to attend the MAMC Institute March 15-20, 2020 in Mt. Pleasant, MI. This is the second session of three; attendance is required at all sessions in order to receive credit towards IIMC and MAMC certification. The cost is \$650.00 plus travel, lodging and meals.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Remer to authorize the Deputy Clerk to attend the March 15-20, 2020 MAMC Institute.
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 updated City of Kingsford Citizens Guide and Dashboard has been submitted to the State of Michigan as required by the Economic Vitality Incentive Program (EVIP) and posted on the City's web page. A copy was included in the packet.
- The Christmas Tree Lighting is scheduled for Monday, December 9th at 6:00pm. Mr. and Mrs. Claus and the Kingsford High School Chorus will be attending. Edlebeck briefly outlined the schedule of festivities.
- The December Board of Review will be held on Tuesday, December 10th at 4:00pm.
- The 2019 fall archery hunt started on October 1st and runs through January 1st, 2020. There are 7 people currently registered to hunt and 9 deer have been taken as of November 27th.
- Edlebeck requested he and DPW Supt. DeMuri be permitted to write specifications and receive bids for a plow for an existing truck and a new utility truck as budgeted. A brief discussion took place.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to authorize the City Manager and DPW Supt. DeMuri to write specifications and receive bids for a plow for an existing truck and a new utility truck.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- Edlebeck requested permission for he and DPW Supt. DeMuri to prepare a list of surplus equipment and various items to sell.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to authorize the City Manager and DPW Supt. to prepare a list of surplus equipment and various items to sell.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Remer to receive and place on file the December 2, 2019 Manager's Report.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no Old Business.

The only item under New Business was the Dickinson Area Chamber Alliance Chamber of Commerce Ballot. A ballot was included with the packet, listing 8 potential candidates. The City Council was asked

to vote for no more than 5 candidates to fill the vacancies. Edlebeck briefly outlined each candidate. The votes were as follows:


1. Alexander Carey – 1
2. Kevin Hanson – 5*
3. Tanya Hiltonen – 4*
4. Jeff Kahl – 3*
5. Todd Lysinger – 1
6. Isaac Micheau – 1
7. Rebecca Strini – 3*
8. Bruce Ortttenburger – 3*

There were no Hearings.

There was no Public Comment.

Under Councilmember's Privilege, Councilmember Flaminio took the opportunity to introduce his grandson, Ethan Mapps, who is a Civics student and is attending the meeting for school credit. Councilmember Groeneveld thanked the Staedt's for the efforts on their recent development project within the City and wished them good luck. He also welcomed Kylie Remer to the City Council. Councilmember Reimer congratulated Councilmember Baldinelli on being selected as Mayor. Mayor Baldinelli commended the DPW crew on their efforts on clearing the roads.

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


Mayor


Clerk