

June 29, 2020

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

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

City staff also present were City Manager Anthony Edlebeck, Deputy Clerk Tanya Hilttonen and Sgt. Ken Wood [KPSD].

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Remer 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 or communications presented at this meeting.

The Manager reviewed a couple items.

- o Edlebeck reviewed the Summer 2020 Property Tax Deadline Extension [Senate Bill 943 (Substitute S-1)]. This bill would amend the General Property Tax Act to defer the deadline to pay summer 2020 property taxes until March 1, 2021. This is still in the proposal stage and has not been passed by the House yet. Edlebeck provided the Senate Bill 943 (S-1) for the council's review. He outlined key points and will provide more updates as they are made available.
- o Edlebeck addressed the Liability Insurance Proposals for the City. The City's liability insurance has been with Michigan Municipal League (MML) / Meadowbrook for many years. Edlebeck had recently provided information for Michigan Municipal Risk Management Association (MMRMA) to the Negotiating Committee [Councilmembers Baldinelli and Groeneveld]. He would like to see this be reviewed and recommended by a committee. A brief discussion took place.

The first item under Old Business was a Planning Commission memo re: Rezoning of 13 lots along Evergreen Court. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on June 22, 2020 and moved unanimously to recommend the City Council consider revising the zoning of the properties along the west-side and the east-side of Evergreen Court and south of Woodward Avenue from the current R1A Single-Family Residential to R2 Two-Family Residential. A public hearing is required by the City Council in order to move forward with the rezoning process. This public hearing will need to be advertised and notices sent to all the residents within 300 feet of the area.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to schedule a public hearing to be held at the regular City Council meeting on July 20, 2020 at 6:45pm to address the rezoning of 13 lots along Evergreen Court.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The last item under Old Business was a Manager's Position Posting update. Although the Covid-19 pandemic halted the interviewing process temporarily, a new applicant was interviewed recently. Multiple interviews have been conducted, and other applicants show interest. There is potential for additional interviews in the future. It was also suggested that some applicants already interviewed may need further consideration. A brief discussion took place.

The first item under New Business was to request an executive session to discuss collective bargaining.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to recess the regular city council meeting and begin the executive session.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Following a brief Executive Session, a motion was made by Councilmember Remer and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to reconvene as the regular city council.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The second item under New Business was the ratification of KPSOA 2020-2021 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Remer to approve the ratification of the KPSOA 2020-2021 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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

The third item under New Business was the ratification of AFSCME 2020-2021 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

A motion was made by Councilmember Remer and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the ratification of the AFSCME 2020-2021 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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

The final item under New Business was a proposed resolution establishing non-union salaries and wages for fiscal year 2020-2021. The City Manager provided a draft resolution for the council's review, along with recommendations for consideration. He continued to recommend this be reviewed and addressed at the July 6<sup>th</sup> meeting [with a request that the action be retroactive to July 1<sup>st</sup>].


A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and table the proposed resolution establishing non-union salaries and wages for fiscal year 2020-2021 until the July 6<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

There were no scheduled public hearings.

Under Public Comment, Tanya Hiltonen of 929 Turner Road addressed the council pertaining to the pay for election workers and summer workers. She would like the opportunity to review the proposed resolution establishing non-union salaries and wages for fiscal year 2020-2021 in order to offer input at a later date.

Under Councilmember's Privilege, Councilmember Groeneveld stated he will be gone over the holiday weekend and wished everyone a safe and happy holiday. Councilmember Baldinelli reiterated Groeneveld's statement.

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

  
Mayor

  
Clerk