

July 19, 2021

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 on Monday, July 19, 2021 at 6:30pm in the council chambers at City Hall.

Roll Call: Present: Councilmember Groeneveld, Remer, Baldinelli and Flaminio
Absent: Dixon-Miller

Also present were City Manager Mike Stelmaszek, City Attorney Bruce Brouillette, Public Safety Director Brian Metras and Maggie Lanthier [The Daily News].

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Remer to approve the July 6, 2021 City Council Meeting minutes as presented.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Remer to approve the invoices for July 7, 2021 through July 19, 2021 in the amount of \$431,895.31.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- Public Safety Report – June
- Treasurers Report – June

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to authorize Sgt. Tim Olsen to attend the Basic Swat School to be held in Green Bay, WI on September 27, 2021 through October 1, 2021 and the associated costs of \$495.00 for the training, plus meals, travel and lodging.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to authorize Lt. Tom Bolda to attend the Michigan Association of Hostage Negotiators to be held in Mt. Pleasant, MI on October 13-14, 2021 and the associated costs of \$150.00 for the class, plus meals, travel and lodging.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Remer 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 the MML Worker's Compensation Fund Board Trustees Ballot. Included was a memo from the Members of the MML Workers' Compensation Fund along with the ballot showing 3 incumbent Trustees seeking re-election and 2 appointees seeking election for their first term. A brief biographical sketch of each candidate was provided for review. A brief discussion took place.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Remer to vote for the five candidates listed.
3 AYES. 1 NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The final item under Communications was the MML Annual Meeting Notice. The MML Annual Convention will be held in Grand Rapids, on September 22-24, 2021. Any councilmember interested in attending should notify the City Manager. A brief discussion took place.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to authorize any interested councilmember to attend the MML Annual Convention.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The Manager's Report was presented by Stelmaszek.

- o The Probate Court used the Council Chambers for a trial on July 8th, 2021.
- o MMRMA is having its Annual Meeting and Conference in Acme, MI on August 19th-21st. The City's insurance agent [Chris Katona] will be at the event. Stelmaszek requested authorization to attend the event.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to authorize the City Manager to attend the MMRMA Conference in Acme, MI on August 19th-21st. ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- o The Civil Service Commission is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, July 27th, 2021 at 6:30pm to begin the process of establishing a new entry level employment list for Public Safety.
- o The July Board of Review will be held Tuesday, July 20th, 2021 at 5:30pm.
- o Flivverfest is scheduled for July 30th-31st, 2021 and will be held at Lodal Park.

A motion was made by Councilmember Remer and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to receive and place on file the July 19, 2021 Manager's Report. ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The only item under Old Business was the Introduction of Ordinance No. 291 Storage Containers within a B-2 District. Since this is an amendment to Ordinance No. 290, City Attorney Brouillette stated this would be the next ordinance number in sequence, which is Ordinance No. 291. After a brief discussion, the verbiage referring to the visibility of the storage container was revised to "there is no more than 50% visibility."

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Remer to introduce Ordinance No. 291 Storage Containers within B-2 District with the revisions as discussed. ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The first item under New Business was the Park and Pavilion Use Policy. City Manager Stelmaszek submitted a memo outlining the current reservation process and noted there are currently no fees to utilize the park/pavilion areas [for residents or non-residents]. He suggested there be a timeframe in January to give Kingsford's residents and businesses the first opportunity to reserve the parks and pavilions. Once that timeframe expires, the reservation process can be opened to include non-residents for a reasonable fee, which would help maintain our park system. Stelmaszek requested this matter be forwarded to the Citizen's Advisory/Parks & Recreation Committee for their review and recommendation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Remer and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to forward the Park & Pavilion Use Policy to the Citizen's Advisory/Parks & Recreation Committee for their review and recommendation. ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The second item under New Business was a Fireworks Permit Request for Flivverfest. The application requests authorization for a fireworks display at Flivverfest [same as previous years]. A current Certificate of Insurance was provided.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the application for the Fireworks display to be held at the Flivverfest event as Lodal Park. ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The final item under New Business was a request to bid out exterior tank cleaning of both water tanks. Supt. DeMuri submitted a memo requesting permission to solicit bids for the cleaning of the exterior of the City's two water tanks. This is necessary maintenance, and funds are available in the water budget.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Remer to authorize Supt. DeMuri to solicit bids to clean the exterior of both water tanks. ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There were no scheduled public hearings.

There was no Public Comment.

Under Councilmember's Privilege, Councilmember Flaminio mentioned he would be absent from the August 2nd meeting. Mayor Groeneveld hopes everyone will attend and enjoy the Flivverfest event.

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


Mayor


Clerk