

September 21, 2015

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, September 21, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the council room in City Hall.

Roll Call: Present: Councilmember Baldinelli, Dixon-Miller, Flaminio, Groeneveld, and Smeester.
Absent: None.

Also present were City Manager Anthony Edlebeck, City Attorney Bruce Brouillette, Public Safety Director Brian Metras, Public Works Superintendent Justin Wickman, Susan Arndt, Paul Arndt, Ken Wood, Thomas Bolda, Larry Luthardt, Evan Reid, Tony Erickson, Cameron Bergeron, Pam Frankini, Eileen Berger, Hector Trevino.

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the September 8, 2015 City Council Meeting minutes.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

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.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Smeester to approve the invoices for September 8 through September 21, 2015 in the amount of \$242,496.45.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

Public Safety Department Report for August 2015

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to authorize Lee Crandall to attend the Less than Lethal Instructor School in Sheboygan, WI on October 13-15, 2015.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

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

Under public comment, Larry Luthardt of 201 Normandy addressed the council regarding "Bud's old gas station" (former service station on the corner of Breen and Hooper). He stated that there are several unlicensed vehicles and many other items (trailers, lawn mowers, etc.) parked there.

Pam Frankini of 704 Cass Ave. also addressed the council regarding walking near Balzola Field and infringing upon deer hunt areas.

There were no communications.

Under the manager's report, City Manager Edlebeck reported to the council that the Westwood Avenue/Pine Mountain Road project has been completed; updated the council on the M95/Carpenter Avenue project. Drainage structures have been completed and ADA sidewalk ramps are being installed. The milling and repaving of the road surface, pavement marking and new signing will conclude the project in early October; notified the council that Bacco Construction Company is planning to start the city's local street and alley work on or around Wednesday, September 23rd; updated the council on the SAW grant project. Great Lakes TV & Seal of Green Bay is continuing to clean sewers. They are currently in the Breitung area and will be completing the sewer cleaning by the end of September. The televising work has begun and is taking place in the Heights; informed the council that the deer management archery program is scheduled to begin October 1st. The city has been approved for up to 65 permits. The public safety department will be coordinating the city property hunting sites, registration of deer and taking complaints. One change this year is that all participants will be required to have an annual proficiency certification; advised the council that Supt. Justin Wickman is requesting advertising for bids for approximately 800 tons of 22A road gravel for stock, which was budgeted for this year.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to authorize Supt. Wickman to advertise for bids for approximately 800 tons of 22A road gravel for stock.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Continuing under the manager's report, City Manager Edlebeck notified the council that the fall compost collection for garden waste is scheduled to begin approximately September 28th. A notice will be placed in The Daily News and on the city's web page. Loose leaf collection is tentatively scheduled to begin October 19th. This schedule will be published in The Daily News, The Advertiser and on the city's web page; reminded the council that Bacco Construction Company has their 100 year anniversary open house on Friday, September 25, 2015 from 3 to 7 at their office located at N3676 North US 2, Iron Mountain. If the city council is so inclined, he has drafted a resolution recognizing Bacco Construction Company, a local business that has done a tremendous amount of work over these years in the city on achieving this company milestone.

A motion was made by Councilmember Flaminio and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to adopt Resolution No. 2015.9.21.1 recognizing Bacco Construction Company and commending them for being in business for 100 years and serving our area and present them with a copy.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the Manager's Report for September 21, 2015.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A public hearing was scheduled for 6:45 p.m. for a home occupation permit for 2205 W. Breen Avenue. City Manager Edlebeck stated that a public notice was published in The Daily News on September 4, 2015. He then read the notice. He received 5 letters and 3 phone calls from residents in that neighborhood. All were against this request.

Cameron Bergeron of 2205 W. Breen Avenue addressed the council.

Larry Luthardt of 201 Normandy also addressed the council on this issue. He disagrees with having this type of business in a residential area.

A lengthy discussion took place.

A motion was made by Councilmember Smeester and supported by Councilmember Groeneveld to deny Mr. Bergeron's request.

Roll Call: Ayes: Councilmember Dixon-Miller, Baldinelli, Flaminio, Groeneveld and Smeester
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried.

The first item under old business is the bid opening for parking lot crack sealing and painting. City Manager Edlebeck explained that the city advertised for bids, and there were 3 packages that were sent out for crack sealing and parking lot painting for the public works parking lot and the city hall parking lot. No bids were received.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Smeester to table this issue until a later date.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The next item under old business is the bid opening for city hall exterior painting. Two bids were received. They are as follows:

Klema Decorating	\$16,440.00
Zambon Decorating	\$11,388.00

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to accept the low bid provided it meets specifications.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Next under old business is the playground equipment bid award recommendation. City Manager Edlebeck provided a memo to the council regarding a review of the three bids that were received for playground equipment. He stated that he provided this information to the Citizen's Advisory/Parks and Recreation/Decorations Committee at their regular meeting last Monday evening (September 14, 2015). He and Supt. Wickman have reviewed the proposals. All of them meet the specifications. The Citizen's Advisory committee unanimously selected the Game Time equipment as the preferred design provided by Sinclair Recreation LLC. It is his recommendation that the bid award go to Sinclair Recreation LLC for the Game Time equipment as proposed for the delivered amount of \$14,900.00.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to accept the Sinclair Recreation LLC bid for the Game Time playground equipment.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The last item under old business is the deer management program hunting areas. City Manager Edlebeck explained to the council that he just received the revised petition today. He provided copies to the council before the meeting. Twenty-five of the original twenty-eight signatures are included on the revised petition. There are also two new signatures on the petition. He then read the memo attached to the petition. "We the undersigned residents of Kingsford are revising our petition to the City of Kingsford, dated August 3, 2015. We understand the necessity to control the deer population in the City. We are asking that the City consider the following options in regard to deer hunting within the City limits:

- A. All hunters shall follow all Michigan DNR regulations and City specific regulations in regard to the hunt. Should violations occur, the hunter perpetrating those violations will lose his hunting privileges within the City.
- B. Confrontations between hunters and residents will not be tolerated. Hunters who choose to confront residents will lose their hunting privileges. Unauthorized persons entering restricted hunting areas can expect to be fined.
- C. The undersigned residents wish to have hunting continue within all of the above areas except that in Parcel 002-027. This parcel contains the looped trail frequently used by residents for walking. The hunt can remain the same in the other 3 parcels."

He then showed the council parcel 002-027 (which was named in the petition) on the map posted in the council room. Edlebeck reviewed the memo which he prepared that was addressed to the council members and included in their council packet.

A discussion took place.

Pam Frankini of 704 Cass Avenue addressed the council regarding hunting on the area near Balzola Field. The city manager informed Ms. Frankini that he could meet with her to help define the hunting area near Balzola Field.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to allow walking on the loop trail year round and move one sign.

Roll Call: Ayes: Councilmember Dixon-Miller, Baldinelli, Groeneveld and Smeester
Nays: Flaminio
Absent: None
Motion Carried.

Under new business, the first item is the MML Board of Directors Election Ballot. City Manager Edlebeck explained that this is a ballot for the Michigan Municipal League Liability and Property Pool 2015 Board of Directors. There are two incumbent Directors seeking re-election. He recommends voting for the two incumbents unless anyone has a write-in candidate.

A motion was made by Councilmember Groeneveld and supported by Councilmember Flaminio to vote for the two incumbents.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The next item under new business is an application to display fireworks at the KHS football game on Friday, October 23, 2015. City Manager Edlebeck explained that this has been an annual request for the light show, which is held during the last football game of the season. This has come before the city council for the last several years. A certificate of insurance has been provided with the application.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the application for the fireworks on October 23, 2015 at Flivver Field.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The final item under new business is the resolution governing the 2015 deer management archery hunt. City Manager Edlebeck explained that the resolution states that the areas of the hunt are governed by the map, and the map will be revised.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to adopt Resolution No. 2015.9.21.2.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no public comment.

Under councilmember's privilege, Councilmember Groeneveld asked City Manager Edlebeck if he'll be speaking to the property owner of the former "Bud's Service Station," and he stated that he would contact him in writing.

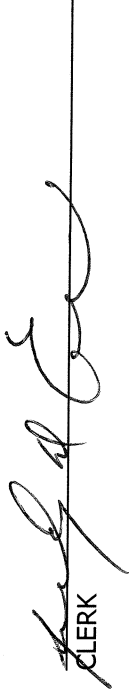
Councilmember Smeester stated that the deer issue is a difficult issue. They do vandalize yards. No one likes to see any animals get hurt. People like to go for walks. He's glad that the deer population is down, and it needs to go down more as far as he's concerned.

Councilmember Baldinelli stated that after years of trying to grow ornamental trees and fruit trees, he's reached the conclusion that a couple of very sturdy fence posts and 6 feet of wire is the only thing that's going to keep the deer out.

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



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