

MARCH 21ST, 2022

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, March 21st, 2022 at 6:30pm in the council chambers at City Hall.

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

Also present were City Manager Mike Stelmaszek, City Attorney Bruce Brouillette, Public Safety Director Brian Metras, Treasurer Holly Palmer, Deputy Clerk Tanya Hiltonen, Maggie Lanthier [The Daily News], Keith Hammond & Elizabeth Hammond

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the February 22nd, 2022 City Council Meeting minutes as presented.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to approve the March 8th, 14th & 15th Board of Review minutes as presented.
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 Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Baldinelli to approve the invoices for March 8th, 2022 through March 21st, 2022 in the amount of \$262,179.53
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- Public Safety Report – February 2022
- Treasurer's Report – February 2022

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the consent agenda.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

There was Public Comment at this time.

Communications

- Charter Communications sent two letters notifying that the channel line-up would be changing.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the notifications from Charter Communications.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- Our Town Kingsford Advertisement
 - Stelmaszek requested approval from City Council to use a larger size ad than in past years. Council Member Baldinelli proposed increasing the size to a ¼ page ad.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Remer approve a ¼ page ad in the Daily News.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The Manager's Report was presented by Stelmaszek.

- As of Friday, March 18th, 2022, (4) Applications were received for the two open positions for the sanitation workers. The closing date for applications is April 4th.
- The Breitung Township School Board approved the land swap as originally requested. The City will be receiving lots #23 & #24 of the Smeester subdivision for the agreed upon portion of City property North and East of the Superintendents office at 810 Pyle Drive. The City Attorney, City Manager and Breitung Township Schools Superintendent Dave Holmes, will continue to work on the transfer.
- Council Member Baldinelli and Kyle Mulka have requested to attend a Housing Brownfield Workshop in Ishpeming on March 30th, 2022. The training is being put on by the Lake Superior Community Partnership and is free of charge. The only cost to the city will be their travel costs and they will be carpooling. Stelmaszek requested approval for both Kyle Mulka and Dennis Baldinelli to attend the training.

A motion was made by Councilmember Remer and supported by Councilmember Dixon Miller for Kyle Mulka and Dennis Baldinelli to attend the training along with costs associated.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- Stelmaszek will be undergoing eye surgery on Thursday, March 24th, 2022 in Green Bay. He will be out of the office on both Thursday and Friday and may be taking additional time off the following week.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to receive and place on file the March 21, 2022 Manager's Report.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business

- Ford Park Renovations
 - Stelmaszek went over the meeting held on March 15th with the Citizen Advisory Committee that voted unanimously to recommend the city repurpose the north end of the old tennis courts at Ford Park to be used for 2 half court basketball courts and to repurpose the remaining area of the tennis court into a parking lot. They also supported the recommendation to limit access to the park from the alley using large rocks with the suggestion that the DPW could, at their discretion, provide for two or three parking spaces adjacent to the alley near the playground equipment. After a lengthy discussion took place about the space and location, Stelmaszek requested that a motion be made to put (2) or (4) halfcourt basketball courts and place (1) or (2) entrances to the parking lot and to give discretion to the DPW to set it up properly.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to move forward with the Citizen Advisory Committees recommendation to put (2) or (4) halfcourt basketball courts and place (1) or (2) entrances to the parking lot giving discretion to the DPW to set it up properly.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

New Business

- Citizens Advisory Committee Application
 - Keith Hammond submitted an application to the City of Kingsford to be on the Citizens Advisory Committee. Keith Hammond was present at the meeting and approached the council to introduce himself and shed light on his construction background. Stelmaszek recommended that the City Council approve replacing the vacancy on the Citizens Advisory Committee with Keith Hammond.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Councilmember Remer to appoint Keith Hammond to the Citizens Advisory Committee.

- Used Garbage Truck Purchase
 - Stelmaszek read over Jeff DeMuri's request for authorization to purchase a 2016 Evo garbage truck in the amount of \$65,000.00 for the City of Kingsford from Michigamme Township. Stelmaszek requested approval from the City Council to purchase the garbage truck.


A motion was made by Councilmember Baldinelli and supported by Dixon-Miller to purchase the garbage truck from Michigamme Township.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED

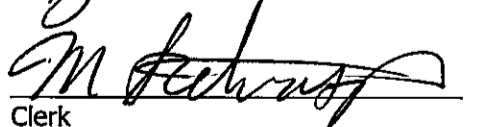
There were no Public Hearings scheduled at this time.

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Under Councilmember's Privilege, Councilmember Baldinelli brought up his conversation with Ed McBroom and how the ARP Funds will be dispersed. Mayor Remer welcomed Keith Hammond to the Citizens Advisory Committee.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilmember Dixon-Miller and supported by Councilmember Dixon-Miller to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm.
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.


Mayor


Clerk