

City of Kingsford  
Regular Council Meeting, City Hall Council Chambers  
Monday, May 2nd, 2022 6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Kingsford City Council was held on Monday, May 2nd, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

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

Also present were: City Manager Mike Stelmaszek, Public Safety Director Brian Metras, Treasurer Holly Palmer, Maggie Lanthier [The Daily News], Floyd Lindholm, Thomas Bolda and Tony Erickson

The pledge of allegiance was stated.

A motion was made by Flaminio and seconded by Groeneveld to approve the April 18<sup>th</sup> & April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 City Council Meeting minutes as presented.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Remer to approve the agenda as amended  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Flaminio and seconded by Groeneveld to approve the invoices for April 19th, 2022 through May 3rd, 2022 in the amount of \$166,130.04.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The consent agenda consisted of the following:  
A. Public Works Report – April 2022

A motion was made by Flaminio and seconded by Groeneveld to receive and place on file the consent agenda.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

No Public Comment at this time.

#### Communications

- A. Charter Township of Breitung (Notice of Intent to Prepare a Master Plan)

A motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Flaminio to receive and place on file the communication from Charter Township of Breitung.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- B. Public Safety Training Request – Request for Joseph Metras to receive the firearms instructor training from Kirtland Community College in Roscommon.

A motion was made by Flaminio and seconded by Groeneveld to approve the training for Joseph Metras.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

- C. KHS Athletic Department Road Closure request on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Athletic Field Event.

A motion was made by Remer and seconded by Groeneveld to approve the road closure for the Athletic Field Event on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

The Manager's Report was presented by Stelmaszek.

- A. BACCO will be starting construction on the alleys starting next week.  
B. The two new Sanitation employees are Jason Gendron & Adam Grailer. Jason started on April 26<sup>th</sup> and Adam started on April 29<sup>th</sup>.  
C. The DCSWMA voted at its April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting to increase the tonnage rate from \$75/ton to \$80/ton effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. This increase is in addition to a \$4.00/ton increase that was imposed during the previous year.  
D. On April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Lieutenant Thomas Bolda submitted his retirement letter. There will be no request to fill the vacancy at this time. Stelmaszek will consult with Public Safety Director Brian Metras and the Personnel Committee to best manage the future needs of the department. Stelmaszek went on: "In his 27 years of service for the city, Tom has reached the rank of lieutenant and held many positions of responsibility during his tenure with public safety. I would like to thank Lieutenant Bolda for his service and I would like to say Tom, job well done!"

At this time Groeneveld welcomed public comment.

Brian Metras approached the council to thank Tom for his service to the city, mentioning that he was one of the hardest working officers and finding someone to fill his shoes would be impossible.

Groeneveld also thanked Tom for this service.

A motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Councilmember Flaminio to receive and place on file the May 2nd, 2022 Manager's Report  
ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

#### Unfinished Business

- A. Water Rate Increase Resolution 2022/5/2.1 – Stelmaszek went over the need to adopt the resolution to increase water rates. A brief discussion took place.

B. Sewer Rate Increase Resolution 2022/5/2.2 – Stelmaszek went over the need to adopt the resolution to increase sewer rates. A brief discussion took place.

A motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Flaminio to adopt resolution 2022/5/2.1.

ROLL CALL: AYES – Flaminio, Groeneveld, Remer

NAYS - None

A motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Flaminio to adopt resolution 2022/5/2.2.

ROLL CALL: AYES – Flaminio, Groeneveld, Remer

NAYS – None

C. Garbage Rate Increase Resolution 2022/5/2.3 – Stelmaszek went over the need to adopt the resolution to increase the garbage rate. A brief discussion took place.

A motion was made by Flaminio and seconded by Groeneveld to adopt resolution 2022/5/2.3.

ROLL CALL: AYES – Flaminio, Groeneveld, Remer

NAYS - None

#### New Business

A. Variance Request – Michael Flaminio at 105 Rexford is requesting a variance to the side yard setback from the eave overhang. The variance would allow for the construction of an additional garage stall built 2 feet from the side lot line and an 18inch eave overhang, The maximum variance requested is 3 ft. A public hearing of the Zoning Board of Appeals should be set for the first council meeting in June. This would allow for proper notice to be given to neighbors and for public comments to be gathered.

A motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Remer to hold a public hearing on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:45pm.

ALL AYES, NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED

B. Executive session to discuss a personnel issue began at 6:58pm.

A motion was made by Flaminio and seconded by Groeneveld to reconvene meeting at 7:25pm

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED

#### New Business Continued

C. Stelmaszek would like to propose that Appendix 'S' be revised for Public Safety Director Brian Metras, Public Safety Lieutenant Thomas Bolda & and Public Safety Lieutenant Joseph Menghini to reflect contract changes and the changes highlighted regarding Compensatory time off. Stelmaszek read on "Salaried employee; not eligible for overtime; compensatory time is allowed provided it does not create overtime. Any unused compensatory time accrued when leaving employment will not be paid out to the employee in any way.

A motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Remer to approve the revisions to Appendix 'S' for the Public Safety Director and two Lieutenants.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

No Public Hearings at this time.

There were no Public Comments scheduled at this time.

Under Councilmember's Privilege, Groeneveld again thanked Tom Bolda for his years of service. Flaminio thanked Tom Bolda for his years of service and wished him well. Remer thanked and congratulated Tom for his 27 years of service.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Groeneveld and seconded by Remer to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

ALL AYES. NO NAYS. MOTION CARRIED.

Please note, these minutes have been approved. If signed copies are needed, they can be retrieved at the Kingsford City Hall.