

**MINUTES**  
**Village of Kingsley**  
**Village Council Meeting**  
**July 9, 2024**  
**6:00 P.M.**

Village Hall, 207 South Brownson Ave, Kingsley, MI 49649- (231) 263-7778

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Lajko.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:**

President Lajko X Trustee McPherson X President Pro Tem Weger X Trustee G. Bogart AB Trustee Wallace X  
Trustee Bott X Trustee Weber X.

Also Attending: Clerk Forro X, Manager Aldrich AB, DPW Supervisor Fenton AB.

*Motion by Weber, seconded by Weger, to accept the amended agenda as presented.*

*All in Favor:*

*Yes: All.*

*No: None.*

*Absent: Bogart.*

*Motion CARRIED.*

1. Any person wishing to address the Board shall state his or her name and address.
2. Public comment will only pertain to agenda items listed. Any comments will be taken into consideration by the Board at a later date. No person shall be allowed to speak more than once on the same matter. The Chairperson shall control the amount of time each person shall be allowed to speak, which shall not exceed three (3) minutes. Chairperson may, at his or her discretion, extend the amount of time any person is allowed to speak.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*None*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Announcements from the Village Manager:

*Given by President Lajko: Clerk Forro will be departing toward the end of August. Meeting on Thursday about the golf course expansion. We received the extra \$500,000 grant for Brownson Park. Updated on violation issues.*

2. Announcements from the Village Clerk:

*None*

3. CPO Dustin Stickler:

*Update on Violation Issues. Doesn't have traffic report numbers due to ongoing program issues.*

4. County Commissioner Scott Sieffert:

*Working on security updates to system. On the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority board; gave a quick summary of what the program has to offer and an invitation to a meeting with the council.*

5. GT County Road Commission:

*Looking at an end of year occupation for the commission building. Sand, salt, and blades are in; beginning to get things ready for winter. Please, be patient with traffic during these summer months with construction.*

6. Paradise Township:

*Not Present.*

7. Other:

*Not Present.*

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

All matters listed under the consent calendar are considered to be routine by the Village Council and will be acted upon by voice vote -- no discussion. Council members and/or the public may remove any item and have it placed elsewhere on the agenda for discussion.

1. Consideration of approving the minutes of the June 11, 2024 Regular Meeting (Approval Recommended).

*Motion by McPherson, seconded by Wallace, to accept the consent calendar as presented.*

*All in Favor:*

*Yes: All.*

*No: None.*

*Absent: Bogart.*

*Motion CARRIED.*

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

*None*

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Consideration of entering into a contract with Progressive AE for Redevelopment Ready Community Certification Planning Services in an amount not to exceed \$45,965.00 with half of the funds coming from the General Fund and the other half to be considered by the Downtown Development Authority at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

*Brief discussion by Council.*

***Motion by Weger, seconded by McPherson, to move forward with the proposal with Progressive AE, dated June 28, 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$45, 965.00; with half the funds coming from DDA and half the funds, \$22,982.50, from our General Fund.***

***Roll Call Vote:***

***Yes: Lajko, McPherson, Weger, Wallace, Bott, Weber.***

***No: None.***

***Absent: Bogart.***

***Motion CARRIED.***

2. Consideration of hiring a contractor to upgrade 4 inch watermain in Kingsley utilizing the remaining funds from the Michigan Infrastructure Grant.

***Summary and updates given by Joe Slonecki from Wade Trim. Presentation given by Molon.***

***Motion by Weger, seconded by Weber, to hire Molon Excavating at the low bid of \$1,027,960.50 for the 2024 water system improvement project.***

***Roll Call Vote:***

***Yes: Lajko, McPherson, Weger, Wallace, Bott, Weber.***

***No: None.***

***Absent: Bogart.***

***Motion CARRIED.***

3. Consideration of entering into closed session to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute as authorized by MCL 15.268(h) .

***Motion by Weger, seconded by McPherson, to go into closed session at the end of regular reports.***

***All in Favor:***

***Yes: All.***

***No: None.***

***Absent: Bogart.***

***Motion CARRIED.***

## **REGULAR REPORTS:**

1. Financial Fund Balance Report:  
***Motion by Wallace, seconded by Weger, to accept the Financial Fund Balance Report as presented.***  
***Motion by Weger, seconded by Weber, to go into closed session at the end of regular reports.***  
***All in Favor:***  
***Yes: All.***  
***No: None.***  
***Absent: Bogart.***  
***Motion CARRIED.***
2. Bills:  
***Motion by Weger, seconded by Weber, to accept the bills and additions as presented.***  
***Roll Call Vote:***  
***Yes: Lajko, McPherson, Weger, Wallace, Bott, Weber.***  
***No: None.***

*Absent: Bogart.  
Motion CARRIED.*

3. Planning Commission:

*Meeting was canceled due lack agenda items.*

4. DDA:

*RFP out for services to facilitate the project that should be coming in any day this week.*

5. Parks & Recreation:

*Given under Village Manager's Announcements.*

6. Zoning Administrator:

*Written Report.*

7. Clerk:

*Oral Report.*

8. DPW:

*Written Report.*

9. Treasurer:

*None.*

10. WWTP:

*None.*

11. Manager:

*Given in Village Manager's Announcements.*

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1. Reserved.
2. General.

*Scott Sieffert – 618 Ash St, Kingsley.*

3. Mayor and Trustees.

*President Lajko comments on sick leave policy.*

*Open session closed at 6:51 pm.*

*Motion made by Weger, seconded by McPherson, to open the public meeting at 7:08 pm.*

*All in Favor:*

*Yes: All.*

*No: None.*

*Absent: Bogart.*

*Motion CARRIED.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Weger, seconded by Weber, to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 pm.*

*All in Favor:*

*Yes: All.*

*No: None.*

*Absent: Bogart.*

*Motion CARRIED.*

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