

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF CROSSLAKE, MINNESOTA
PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED ROAD PROJECT
MARCH 1, 1986

A Public Hearing was called to review and answer question regarding the proposed 5-Year Road Project for the City of Crosslake. Notices were sent out to the 2464 property owners in the City on February 6, 1986 and notices were published in the legal newspaper THE COUNTRY ECHO on February 13, 20, and 27, 1986 stating the date, time and place of the public hearing and the roads which are proposed for work the first year of the 5-year plan.

Mayor Mezzenga called this Public Hearing to order at 10:00 a.m. in the gymnasium of the Community Center Building on March 1, 1986. The following Council Members were present: Mayor August Mezzenga, Councilmen Allen, Courts and Nelson. Also present were Bruce Buxton and Gary D'Heilly from Widseth Smith Nolting and Associates; Dave Macgillivray from Springsted, Inc. and Arlene A. Buchite, City Clerk/Treasurer. There were approximately 150 members of the community present.

Mayor Mezzenga welcomed the group and stated the purpose of the Public Hearing and then introduced Buxton and turned the meeting over to him. Mayor Mezzenga assured the community members present that there would be adequate time for questions at the close of the presentations.

Buxton addressed the state law requirements, notifications which were sent to property owners, procedures which will be followed and that the meeting was being tape recorded. (A complete tape recording is on file in the City Clerk's office.)

Buxton stated the intent for the first year is to overlay the bituminous roadways. They will take the crown off in some areas, right of way clearing, remove some trees, do some ditching, etc. In some instances the road may have to be reconstructed. In some areas hills will be removed if possible and if necessary. Buxton reminded the community members present that even though their roads may not be done this year, hopefully they will be done in the next 3 to 4 years depending upon the Council members decision in the next years. Each year of the road plan will be up to the Council at that time.

Buxton reiterated the reasons for doing the bituminous roadways this year are to preserve the benefits already in place, to take advantage of current pricing and to reconstruct now before complete rebuilding of the bituminous roads is necessary. Some of the problems they will encounter are insufficient right-of-way, inadequate clearings, buried utilities, variation in pavement width and qualities, poor grade and alignment, improper and variable road crown, etc.

Buxton explained that since the entire population benefits from all of the streets, most of the costs will be placed on the tax levy of the entire City.

Sixty percent will be paid by the City and 40 percent will be paid by individual assessment. Costs will vary based on the improvement cost of the particular road being assessed - gravel on gravel costs and bituminous at bituminous costs, etc.

Dave Macgillivray from Springsted, Inc. spoke briefly on the bonding and selling of the bonds.

Questions and comments from the community members present were answered and listened to. Some were favorable and some were not favorable but most of the people present agreed that the roads needed something done before they got any worse and someone was going to have to pay for them.

MOTION NO. 3PH-01-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN NELSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN TO ADJOURN THIS PUBLIC HEARING AT 1:23 P.M. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Recorded and transcribed by:



Arlene A. Buchite, City Clerk/Treasurer