

SPECIAL CENTENNIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF CROSSLAKE  
MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2003  
6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL

The Crosslake City Council met in a Special Council Meeting at the Watertown Town Hall at the site of the Crosslake Historical Society on Monday, March 3, 2003. Present at the meeting was Mayor Darrell Swanson, Councilmembers Dean Eggena, Chuck Miller and Irene Schultz. Absent was Dick Phillips. Also present was City Administrator Tom Swenson, Clerk/Treasurer Darlene Roach and Echo Reporter Bryan Clapper. There were approximately fifty individuals in attendance in addition to several members of the Crosslake Historical Society.

Crosslake Historical Society Member Don Engen welcomed everyone to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the organization of Watertown Township which eventually became Crosslake Village and North Crosslake. Mr. Engen introduced the members of the Council and stated that this meeting was the official kickoff of the Centennial Celebration.

Crosslake Historical Society Member Mary Hoag presented a brief history of the area which included the names of many of the early settlers who were instrumental in the formation of the community, which is known today as the City of Crosslake.

Mayor Swanson read a proclamation (copy attached) which proclaims the year 2003 as a year of celebration for this the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the City.

Don Engen thanked everyone for attending this special meeting and invited everyone to partake of cake and coffee which was being served in the "General Store" in honor of this momentous occasion.

Respectfully submitted by,



Darlene J. Roach  
Clerk/Treasurer

## PROCLAMATION

*Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Let all men draw near and hear this proclamation:*

**Whereas:** *In the year of our Lord 1885 the U.S. Corps of Engineers represented by 78 men, did construct the Pine River Dam as part of the Mississippi Reservoir system in what is now known as Crosslake; and*

**Whereas:** *Logging flourished until 1912 when the logging companies moved and the railway used by the industry closed down; and*

**Whereas:** *Ami Gould - first registered homesteader in 1870 followed by Albert "Cod" Kimball, John Stees, Jim Frost, August Ostlund, William Gordon, Horace Butterfield, J.H. Allen, Charles Heath, Bill King, Art Satchell, James Johnson, Frank Gordon - did cause the start of a community. Because of the beauty of the area and the lakes, the community flourished; and*

**Whereas:** *We recognize the afore mentioned and thank them for their foresight, hard work and dedication - we also thank the Maurice Swann Family for their generous land donations where on March 9, 1947 the Crosslake Lutheran Church began and in 1955 the Catholic Church began. There are now six congregations; and*

**Whereas:** *In the year of our Lord 1903 Crow Wing County accepted a petition for the organization of Watertown Township, which then became Crosslake Village and North Crosslake, which then became the great City of Crosslake;*

**Now Therefore,**

*I, Darrell E. Swanson, Mayor of the City of Crosslake, proclaim this year of our Lord 2003, a year of celebration for this the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of the City of Crosslake and declare all residents and visitors to dine - dance - make merry - and celebrate our centennial year!*

*Darrell E. Swanson, Mayor*

