

The regular meeting of the Crosslake City Council was called to order by Mayor Coulter at 7:30 PM. Councilmen present were Delmonico, Arends, Andolshek and Anderson. There were about 22 members of the community present.

MOTION: By Anderson and seconded by Delmonico that we accept the consent calendar as submitted: the minutes of the June 12, 1981 meeting with the Clerk amending the date of the next meeting to read July 10th, instead of July 11th, the clerk's financial report for June and the Telephone Company's financial report for June. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

The mayor turned the meeting over to Kurt Anderson, Councilman, in charge of presenting the road assessment program. Mr. Bruce Buxton, Widseth, Smith Nolting & Assoc., Inc., Engineering Consultants, was present to answer any further question in regard to the road assessment program which he presented to the council at the June 12th meeting. Anderson asked if there were any further questions in regard to this proposed program from the audience. Hearing none, the following motion was made:

MOTION: By Anderson seconded by Andolshek that we proceed with the Road Assessment Program in the City of Crosslake to improve existing roads and that we retain Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc., Inc., to do the engineering required. After a discussion period with questions answered by Bruce Buxton and Anderson, the following vote was taken: Anderson, Coulter, Delmonico and Andolshek voting, "AYE" and Arends, "NAY". Andolshek then changed to vote to an abstention stating that she felt that after listening to some of the discussion to-night that perhaps the matter should have been given more time. Motion carried.

In discussing the road assessment program a member of the audience, Walt Kocon, stated that he was a member of the Road Commission whose members resigned in January of 1979 except for himself. This brought about a discussion of whether or not a road commission was necessary. It was decided to resolve this question later.

Mr. Buxton suggested that the next step the city should take to put the road assessment program in motion would be for the city to decide, either by commission or council, just what policy the city should adopt as to the percentage the city and the taxpayer would share and that this must be done before you have a specific project to work on.

The mayor called on Elizabeth Andolshek, Councilwoman, in charge of Future Funding & Development Commission. Mrs. Andolshek announced that at the last meeting of the Commission on June 26th at 1:15 PM at City Hall with 27 in attendance it was the Commission's unanimous recommendation to the City Council that consideration be given to engaging the services of a consulting firm to make preliminary recommendations about what the City should be doing in looking ahead to analyzing a possible future sewage program. She stated that Bruce Buxton of the Engineering firm mentioned above is here, and that he will write the initial application letter free of charge, and then for a fee not to exceed \$500. will follow through and justify the expression for need with the proper agency. A resolution was read by Andolshek which was provided by Widseth, Smith, Nolting, Assoc., Inc. for the council to use or modify as they saw fit and a proposal from the engineering firm was also read. Anderson asked the question as to whether

this is in regard to the whole city of Crosslake or just the business area. She explained that when this was first brought up before the Commission she understood it would be just the business strip possibly up as far as, and including, the main part of Manhattan Beach. Buxton explained that after the water study project is completed by the grant in the name of the city sponsored by the Whitefish Property Owners Association that the PCA can review the situation to see if they feel there is a need for a study. If they decide there is a need they will put us on a list a for a grant to study the best way of solving the pollution problem.

MOTION: By Andolshek and seconded by Arends that the council accept the recommendation of the Future Funding & Development Commission and engage the firm of Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc., Inc. to make the application and the follow through as outlined in their letter in regard to analyzing a possible future sewage program, and to adopt the resolution as read by Andolshek and outlined by the engineering firm. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous. (COPY ATTACHED).

CLERK'S REPORT: The clerk requested that some kind of communication system be set up for her to communicate with the truck. After some discussion Anderson suggested that the matter be tabled and that if a Road Commission is set up they can make the decision. The clerk requested that the council make a decision as whether the individual departments be charged for Pat Hoag, maintenance man's time so that the various departments affected by this could include this in their budget requests.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that the time spent by Pat working for other departments be charged off to the respective department. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous. The clerk requested that a special meeting be set as the first budget meeting as all the departmental financial info has been handed out to each department. Monday, August 3rd, 1981 was scheduled as the Special Budget Meeting and mayor requested that all councilmen read the Budget Preparation Books that will be handed out to them within a few days. The clerk stated that the DNR has issued a permit for deepening the channel between Whitefish and Trout Lake and will be paid for by the Whitefish Property Owners' Assoc. This permit was issued a few years ago and renewed at the present time.

MOTION: By Delmonico and seconded by Anderson that the city acquire the free copying machine from 3M and that the city agrees to purchase the minimum of \$100. worth of paper. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

The clerk stated that she has had several irate citizens complain about parking in the third row at the parking lot downtown and then being unable to leave as the exits at either end have cars parked in them. Clerk was advised to contact Duane Blanck and ask him to stripe the exit areas at either end so that this can be prevented. The clerk announced that there will be a Water Quality Seminar on July 16, 1981 from 7:00 to 10:00 PM in the Crow Wing County Service Building sponsored by the County Agricultural Extension Services and the County Health Services and that a flyer is posted the bulletin board in the hall.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

In discussing the proposed catastrophe policy it was decided that if the employees want to band together and sign up for this type policy they can but that the city should not become involved as a fringe benefit. The mayor requested that Jan be the representative of the

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city at the Aquatennial Parade Mayor's Day in Minneapolis and that the city pay her mileage round trip for this event.

MOTION: By Andolshek and seconded by Anderson that the Clerk's mileage be paid for by the city for the above mentioned event in Minneapolis. Motion carried, all members voting "AYE" except Arends voting, "NAY".

The mayor informed the council that the city attorney, Randal K. Hanson, had examined the Codification and could find nothing wrong with it and that she would like to have the council go over it at the Special Meeting set up for August 3rd. In discussing the requested change by Arends in the sewage ordinance as adopted at our meeting of June 12, 1981,

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson to rescind the motion carried on June 12, 1981 that we drop the sewage ordinance in Chapter 3 and accept the Appendix E suggested by the Codifiers and include it in our Planning & Zoning Ordinance. Motion to rescind carried and the vote was unanimous. This new change suggested will be taken care of when the new ordinance is drawn up pertaining to Planning and Zoning.

The mayor announced that she will be getting together with the employees sometime before the budget is drawn up to discuss salaries. Meetings can be "closed meetings" to negotiate salaries.

In discussing the O'Brien Road portion which is being dedicated to the city, it was decided that the city surveyor should draw up the legal description of this. Anderson requested that it go on record that he was not the instigator of that project.

TELEPHONE COMMISSION: Arends stated the Telephone Commission has recommended a 10% raise for Manager, Gary Fread which would bring his salary up to \$25,826 effective August 1, 1981 and would not be raised again until the end of the year, 1982 with the further increase effective January 1, 1983. The Commission based their decision after contacting the National Telephone Association and the auditors for the Telephone Company.

MOTION: By Anderson and seconded by Andolshek that we approve the recommendation of the Telephone Commission as forestated. Delmonico stated that it would not be fair to other salaried city employees to negotiate a raise at this time as he was granted a raise of 4% in January and all city employees are limited to one raise per year. He said it is true that the 4% raise was cut back from 7% but so were other city employees raise requests cut back. Anderson stated that he did not feel that the amount of money a man was making should govern the percent of increase considered. Arends stated that in in the four years, two months from the time Gary Fread started until his last raise on January 1, 1981 the increase was 51%. The motion did not carry and the tally was: vote "AYE", Anderson and Andolshek and voting, "NAY", Arends, Delmonico and Coulter. Anderson asked Arends what was happening in regard to the purchase of the warehouse by condemnation proceedings. Arends responded that he has until August 3rd to get clear title.

CEMETERY: Andolshek stated that the new well has been installed in the Memorial Park section of the cemetery. If we had had the new well installed where originally intended (along the east fence line), we would have not been allowed to use approximately 48 gravesites because of Minnesota Pollution Control guide lines which state that a well must be 50' from the closest grave. She also stated that there was an additional cost of \$378. as the well had to be 36' deeper

than estimated. The power will be installed next week. Andolshek stated that Rule 17 in the "Cemetery Booklet" reads, "The bodies of two or more persons shall not be interred in one grave unless approved by the cemetery and upon payment for additional charges required." It is normal procedure to bury more than one cremated remains in one grave. Adequate record of each such burial will be made in cemetery records. She had investigated what other places charge for burying cremated remains and made the following motion: MOTION: By Andolshek and seconded by Arends that the city charge a fee of \$25. for burying cremated remains. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

ROADS: Anderson suggested that Pat Hoag get together with Arends and remove the emblems from the former city truck which was sold. Arends stated that he has disfigured the emblem so that it does not look like a city truck. In discussing the work needed on the Dream Isle bridge, Anderson invited Walt Kocon to look at the bridge with him. Anderson stated that in regard to lighting request sent to the County Engineer for the lighting of the intersection of #6 & #16, no reply has been received. Clerk stated she would call the County Engineer in regard to this.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Francis Fraser, Fire Chief, stated that the Annual 4th of July Dance cleared approx. \$1800. He also reported on the activities of the Fire Department.

AMBULANCE: Delmonico reported that the Ambulance has been very busy having 13 runs the first 10 days of this month and commended them for doing an excellent job.

PARK & RECREATION: Anderson explained that the Park Department is planning on charging for an annual membership at the park for the use of their facilities. The charge would be \$10. for a family membership and \$5. for an individual membership. Fees will be charged for activities if you do not have a membership.*

MOTION: By Anderson and seconded by Delmonico that the city adopt the schedule recommended by the Park Commission for the Park as far as the booster membership fees and the other charges that the Park Board deems necessary. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous. Andolshek brought up the matter of the meeting of the Historical Society at the park where there were not sufficient chairs provided. Patty Felber explained that it was a lack of communication as far as this was concerned and not a conflict of time as indicated by Andolshek. Patty Felber said that the rules state that when a reservation is made that they are to inform the park 3 days before the scheduled event as to how many are expected to attend the meeting and this was not done by the Historical Society. The attendance was much larger than they have ever had before and there was no way that the Patty could anticipate this with being informed by the society. She provided what they had asked for two months previously.

Mr. Ray Smythe, a member of the community, stated that he and his family use the tennis courts and the recreational facilities frequently and he felt that Patty Felber should be commended for the job she is doing. The mayor thanked him for the city and for Patty.

*This does not include the tennis courts as you must have a booster membership in order to make a court reservation.

PLANNING & ZONING: After a presentation of the Dew Hill Addition by Landecker which Planning & Zoning approved at their June meeting, it was decided that the clerk and mayor could sign the plats after the meeting.

After a discussion of the Wildwood Acres plat presented by Don Coulter the following motion was made:

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that the council accept the plat of Wildwood Acres. Motion carried. All voting, "AYE", except Mayor Coulter abstaining. *See amended minutes of 8/14/81 - Page 1*
Arends stated the the Planning Commission recommends to the City Council that city license all builders doing work in the city (for a small fee) and that the license be revoked if a builder ignores the Crosslake building code more than once, or double the penalty each time a builder violates the code. The reason for this was remarks made at a recent Commission meeting that, "No builder working in Crosslake observes the code." The vote of the Commission was unanimous in conveying this message to the council. After a discussion as to what the price should be for a license the following motion was made.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that the charge for licensing contractors be set at \$2.00. Motion carried and the vote was unanimous. Mayor requested that the clerk make a note of including this under licensing for codification.

Mrs. Poganski inquired as to what the city has done in regard to the violation of the Landy store still being in operation. The mayor informed her that the Police Department has obtained evidence and the the matter is being turned over to an attorney now.

Don Coulter appeared to present his request to the council for a resolution to be presented to the DNR for a 66' road easement in Sec. 22-137-27. The city can handle this in one of two ways:

1. Give Mr. Coulter fee title to it after he has paid for it or
2. Grant him a perpetual easement.

MOTION: By Anderson and seconded by DeLmonico that the city make up the resolution to acquire the easement and that after we acquire the easement and know the cost, that Mr. Coulter pay the cost and the city would give him fee title to the easement. The motion carried, all voting, "AYE", except Mayor Coulter abstained. (COPY ATTACHED)

FUTURE FUNDING & DEVELOPMENT:

Upon a request by Andolshek the following info is being included in the minutes: at the last meeting of the Commission the following sub Committees were appointed for analyzing the future need for various categories as follows: Planning & Zoning, Business Promotion, Sewer, The Local Business Community, Tourism, and Housing. The next meeting of the Commission will be held Friday, August 7, 1981 at 1:15 PM at City Hall. All are welcome.

Andolshek announced that Region V has revised their committees and the Housing Advisory Committee on which she served has been eliminated due to budget cut-backs.

Arends reported on his investigation of the possibility of channeling power from the dam. The mayor asked Arends to continue in his pursuit of this problem.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Andolshek read a letter from Dodo Fraser requesting that the Police remove the carcasses of dead animals on the roads and that the city

consider putting street name signs at the same time the fire nos. are installed. She also announced that the Crosslake Historical Society is having their 6th Annual Summer Fair to-morrow, July 11th from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Community Center. Please attend. In regard to removing the dead animal carcasses, Coulter explained that the Brainerd Police will not even remove a dead carcass after a party has called the department to shoot an animal. It was also stated that you could not expect anyone to ride in a car after carrying dead skunks. Andolshek pointed out that there was a dead animal laying in front of Ernies' Standard for days but it was pointed out that this was a County responsibility. A discussion was held on the erecting of street signs but nothing was decided.

Arends stated that perhaps the council would consider some action on the City Hall roof problem as the meeting was being disrupted by the heavy rainfall inside the council room.

Andolshek announced that the next meeting of the Future Funding and Development Commission will be held on Friday, August 7, 1981 at 1:15 PM at City Hall.

Arends requested that something be done about the parking situation along County #36 by the bridge as some of residents had been threatened when they asked that cars be moved off their property. After a discussion no action was taken.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that the meeting be adjourned at 10:45 PM. Motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Jan Laughlin, Clerk-Treasurer