July 12, 1974

The regular meeting of the Crosslake City Council was held at 7:30 P.M. in the City Hall. Present were Mayor Kluender, Councilman Olson, Schneider, Coulter and Foss. Also present was R. Schalow, Clerk. Also present was Luke Gallagher, Roy Lomard, Carl Wiertz, Don Iverson, Mannie Peterson, Al Peterson, Charles Steinbauer, City attorney and Don Gibbs.

Mr. Lombard appeared before the council to ask whether or not his election to the office of Justice of Peace was an honorary assignment or whether it had offical standing as an office. Mr. Lombard related that he had not be assigned a case in justice court since Oct. 31, 1972. All council members with exception of Olson indicated they had no knowledge of this. A rathere heated discussion of the matter took place between Office Backdahl and Mr. Lombard. Mr. Lombard made some statement related to the number of cases handled, and Mr. Backdahl questioned the number. Mr. Lombard was then asked to document his claims. He did not go home to get this information and was asked if would bring it to the next council meeting. It was then moved by Olson and seconded by Schneider that an equal distribution of court cases be obtained, and that the police dept give a monthly report of number of justice court cases handled. All members voting aye. Chief Backdahl indicated that he would not attend any court cases heard in Justice Lombard's court. He did indicated that he would assign cases, but would not appear personally. The council indicated that they would attend cases in both courts to make a personal determination on the way the cases are handled. Note 8-9-74 Minutes Reflect that Councilman Coulter was aware that that Lombard was not getting cases.

Mr. Mannie Peterson appeared before the council to ask whether or not the zoning and building rules in the City applied to others beside him. He was advised that we had not received a formal complaint from anyone as yet, on him or for that matter anyone else in the City. He had asked previously about keeping some chickens and the clerk reported that he had answered the request by giving the reading of the ordinance relating to that matter.

Don Iverson appeared before the council to ask for permission for the Fire Dept. to hold their annual dance at the Fire Hall on August 24th, and for permission to sell beer and set ups. On motion of Olson and second by Foss the request was granted, subject to obtaining approval of the Liquor Control Commission for the sale of set ups. Clerk to write a letter to Liquor CControl asking for their permission.

Carl Wiertz appeared before the council to complain about youngsters going thru his yard in their journeys from one home to another. He asked for permission to extend his fence to the waters edge to stop some of this activity. He was advised that there would be no problem insofar as the council was concerned. It was also suggested that he use the property posting of signs regarding treaspass.

On motion of Foss and scond by Coulter the minutes of the June 14th and June 17, 1974 meetings were approved.

On motion of Schneider and second by Foss the village reports were accepted and bills represented by checks 1778 thru 1820 were approved for payment.

On motion of Schneider and second by Olson the Telephone reports were accepted and bills represented by checks 3253 thru 3288 were approved for payment.

Mr. ClintPatterson who was going to appear at 8:00P.M. to discuss a road vacation problem, did not appear.

Councilman Schneider reported that because of the heat in the exchange building and additional air-conditioner had to be installed. Mr. Armfield had made a recommendation as to size, and the telephone board of Schneider, Foss and Schalow had asked Mr. Schneider to make arrangements for the purchase and installation of this unit.

On motion of Schneider and second by Olson the contract for Fire Protection at the Crosslake Recreation Area was renewed. All members voting aye.

Councilman Coulter reported that the mobile phone in the police car was not working properly much of the time. A discussion took place as to its value to the dept. under the present operating conditions. No formal action was taken on the matter.

On motion of Coulter and second by Olson, the clerk was directed to write a letter to Mr. E. V. Jarvinen of 1550 Oldridge Ave., Stillwater, Minn. 55082, advising him that if he were to brush out an area 40 feet wide, which would have a graded and crowned serface of 28 feet wide from the west end of Velvet Lake to the Right of Way of County # 36, the City would accept this road and maintain same.

On motion of Coulter the clerk was directed to write a letter to Mr.Frode Eskeson and advise him that at such time as the road described in his plat of survey, of Lot 5, Sec. 10, T137N, R 27W, is brushed out 40 feet wide, graded and crowned with a 100 foot turnaround, and a warranty deed is supplied to the City for the land on which this road is located, the City would accept the road and provide for its future maintainance. Second by Schneider all members voting aye.

On motion of Coulter and second by Foss the council agreed to ask that the lots 10 and 11 in Block ___, Manhattan Point be changed from Conservation to Non Conservation. All members voting aye.

A request for a dead end sign to be placed on the Birch Narrows Road was received. Councilman Coulter indicatedhe would take care of the matter.

Councilman Coulter having previously submitted a summary of police activities for the first 6 months of the year, indicated that it was his feeling that it is necessary to hire a 3rd officer at once. Some discussion of the matter took place, after which Coulter moved that this action be taken. No second to the motion. It was then suggested that the council give thought to the matter and that a special meeting be held on July 20th, 1974 at 2;00P.M. to resolve the matter. All members agreed to make a decision at that time.

The clerk reported that he had received a letter from the City Attorney indicating that it was his opinion that warrants could be used to provide for added funding for the telephone system. Theattorney was also provided with the file on the PBX system at Echo Ridge.

Councilman Coulter reported that Mr. Moberg had requested some changes in the building plan for the ambulance garage. The question of added costs if any was not completely resolved.

On motion of Foss, second by Schneider the meeting adjourned.

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