

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Crosslake, Minnesota
REGULAR SESSION - July 14, 1986
7:30 p.m. - City Hall

The City Council of Crosslake, Minnesota met in a regular session on July 14, 1986 in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The following members were present: Acting Mayor Orval Nelson and Councilmen Robert Allen and Oliver Courts. Absent were Mayor August Mezzenga and Councilman Oliver Yates. There were approximately 38 citizens present.

I. Acting Mayor Nelson called this regular Council session to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR - Minutes of the regular council session on June 9, 1986; minutes of the special session on June 30, 1986; the Clerk/Treasurer's financial report for June; and the Telephone Company's financial report for June.

MOTION NO 7R-01-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN COURTS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Camp Confidence charitable gambling at The Exchange.

David Savoy, State Gaming Manager for Camp Confidence was present and stated that they would like to operate a table for pull tabs at the Exchange night-club. The pull-tabs would be sold by their people only and not the bartenders. MOTION NO. 7R-04-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN TO APPROVE SELLING PULL-TABS AT THE EXCHANGE AS LONG AS ALL STATE STATUTES ARE FOLLOWED. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. B. Lions Club gambling at the Riverside and Echo Ridge.

Selling of pull-tabs in other than the designated areas was discussed briefly. Clerk Buchite indicated she had spoken to an employee of the State Charitable Gambling office and that gambling devices could be sold only in the areas designated or rented for gambling device sales. Gambling Manager Warren Reisch stated they would do everything possible to see that all rules and regulations are followed. MOTION NO. 7R-02-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS TO APPROVE RENEWAL OF PULL-TAB LICENSES AT RIVERSIDE INN AND ECHO RIDGE AS LONG AS ALL STATE STATUTES ARE FOLLOWED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. C. Vacate Public Access

Nancy Kohl requested that a twenty foot public access next to her property in Manhattan Beach Point Road be vacated and sold to the two abutting property owners. She indicated that the slope is a 45 degree angle and an approximate 40 foot drop. Councilman Allen questioned the use of the public access by the people owning backlots. The legal implications for vacating an access that has been turned over to the public was also discussed. MOTION NO. 7R-03-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS TO REFER THE REQUEST TO VACATE THE PUBLIC ACCESS LOCATED AT BLOCK 2, LOT 1, MANHATTAN BEACH REPLAT OF TWIN BEACH, TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. D. Teenage dances at the Exchange

Mary Lynn Chaffee was present to request that the Council permit teenage

dances to be held one night a week at the exchange and to change the age limit to include thirteen and fourteen year old teens. Chaffee indicated that the Exchange has two separate bars and that the liquor bar would be blocked so no teenagers would have access. They would provide bouncers and the music would be on records. Don Coulter, police officer, was asked if he recalled any problems that the City had a few years ago when there were teen dances to which he responded that he did not recall any problems. Acting Mayor Nelson asked Ms. Chaffee if she needed a definite answer at this Council session to which she answered no. MOTION NO. 7-05-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN COURTS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN TO TABLE THE REQUEST FOR TEENAGER DANCES AT THE EXCHANGE FOR THE PRESENT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. CLERK'S REPORT

A. Approval of checks for June, 1986

MOTION NO. 7-06-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS OF CHECKS NUMBER 10750 THROUGH NUMBER 10825 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$48,358.91. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. B. Deposit of \$66,000 for Sandcrest on Cross Lake

John Alden, representing Taylor Investment, Inc., was present to request that bond monies be returned after various stages of completion on the road building project at Sandcrest. The Council and Mr. Alden agreed that the City Surveyor, Don Coulter should be the one to inspect the roads and inform the City Clerk when to release certain portions of the bond monies. MOTION NO. 7-07-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF CASH BOND FOR SANDCREST ON CROSS LAKE IN THE AMOUNTS OF \$22,000 WHEN ROAD BED IS IN, \$34,000 WHEN GRAVEL IS ON ROAD BED AND FINAL \$10,000 UPON FINAL INSPECTION AND APPROVAL BY CITY SURVEYOR, DON COULTER. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Coulter will notify the City Clerk by letter through the various stages of completion. Any costs incurred by Coulter would be paid by Taylor Investment Corp.

IV. C. On-sale Liquor License for Ye Olde Wharf

Councilman Courts said he felt the Council acted too hastily when they retired the sixth available liquor license at the April 14, 1986 Council meeting and would like the Council to reconsider the license for Ye Olde Wharf. Courts said he wanted the off-sale retired permanently but felt the on-sale would help a business that is presently operating. Courts said he had spoken to Mr. Muier at the Liquor Control Board and Mr. Muier said the Council could re-issue the license. MOTION NO. 7-08-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN COURTS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN TO ISSUE THE ON-SALE LIQUOR LICENSE TO YE OLDE WHARF. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. D. Car parked on Manhattan Point

Clerk Buchite indicated to the Council that she had sent a registered letter to Mr. Lawrence Johnson requesting him to move a white oldsmobile stationwagon that had been abandoned on his property on Manhattan Point, after several parties had complained to the Police Department. The letter had been sent on August 21, 1985 and the car had not been moved as yet. Discussion ensued as to possible courses of action to take to have it removed without spending a lot of money on legal fees. Planning and Zoning Coordinator Kingstedt said he would speak to the owner in person and see if he could reason with him. This will be taken up again at the next Council meeting.

V. MAYOR'S REPORT

None

VI. COMMISSION REPORTS

A. Building

Harold Johnson, Ad-hoc committee member, said the Ad-hoc committee has looked into five considerations for City Hall. They are (1) remodel present City Hall, (2) purchase existing building, (3) build new, (4) build new and consolidate all city departments except for the park, under one roof, and (5) build new with future consolidation considered in planning. Johnson said it was the determination of the Ad-hoc committee that the number five option was the one they would present to the City Council with the new building to be approximately 3300 square feet. The committee contacted three architectural firms for general costs for building City Hall with options of adding on later. The proposals were from Gentech Design, Inc. for \$850.00, Nor-Son, Inc. for \$1,250.00 and from Architecture One for \$2,500.00. The committee's recommendation was to go with Gentech Design, Inc. as lowest proposal. Acting Mayor Nelson asked why Stegner Hendrickson Architects of Brainerd did not submit a proposal for consideration. Johnson said that the phone number listed for Stegner Hendrickson had been disconnected. The \$2,000 paid to Stegner Hendrickson for preliminary plans was discussed briefly. Johnson stated that the plans drawn up by Stegner-Hendrickson were for remodeling the present City Hall and the \$2,000 was for that and probably would not be applied to plans for new construction. Johnson also said the Ad-hoc committee would like some direction from the City Council as to future responsibilities. MOTION NO 7-09-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN COURTS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN TO GO WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE AD-HOC COMMITTEE AND APPROVE NEW CONSTRUCTION OF CITY HALL WITH CONSOLIDATION OF OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS (FIRE HALL AND POSSIBLY CITY GARAGE) TO TAKE PLACE AT A LATER DATE AND THAT GENTECH DESIGN, INC. BE APPROVED AS THE PRELIMINARY ARCHITECT AT A COST OF \$850. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Johnson indicated the lot size is approximately 350 foot frontage and 450 foot deep. The new City Hall would have a basement for storage as well as a utility room.

VI. B. Cemetery

Councilman Courts recommended that nothing be done at present to the Cemetery fence or sign.

At the direction of Councilman Courts, Clerk Buchite reiterated the City's problem with Block 6, Lot 4 of the Pinewood Cemetery, to the Council. It was the determination of City Attorney Tom Fitzpatrick that the City's records of Pinewood Cemetery would be the records we use. These records indicate Peter Adrian owns Block 6, Lot 4, Sites A, B, C, and D. Mr. Adrian claims to own all of the Block 6, Lot 4, which includes Sites A, B, C, D, E, F, and G. MOTION NO 7-10-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN COURTS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN TO HAVE CITY CLERK WRITE A LETTER TO MR. PETER ADRIAN STATING THAT THE CITY IS GOING TO GO BY THE CITY RECORDS AS TO OWNERSHIP OF BLOCK 6, LOT 4 OF PINEWOOD CEMETERY. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VI. C. Park

Tom Mezzenga, Park Board Member, stated the dedication of the ball field to Bill Schlick was rescheduled to July 31 and 5:30 p.m., the nature trails will be completed by fall, and a backstop at the ball field will be placed to honor Marge Polansky. There was not a meeting of the Park Board this month because there was not a quorum present. Mezzenga also stated that P.J.Pruesser has moved out of state and they need someone to replace her.

VI. D. Personnel

Nothing

VI. E. Planning and Zoning

Planning and Zoning Coordinator Marlowe Kingstedt indicated he would not be against waiving the fee for the Historical Society to move the old Ostlund building but he would not like to see a precedent set with regards to all non-profit organizations. Kingstedt was assured this would not be a precedent established. MOTION NO. 7-11-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS TO WAIVE THE PLANNING AND ZONING FEE TO MOVE THE OSTLUND BUILDING BY THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VI. F. Public Safety

Nothing

VI. G. Roads

Ditching and culverts were discussed briefly by the Council and citizens present. Culverts are being put in driveways only if there is a draining problem. Councilman Courts said he had spoken to a citizen who wanted 30 mile per hour signs on some of the roads. Acting Mayor Nelson said they had discussed this some time ago and it was decided that the City could not post the entire City with 30 miles per hours signs.

VI. H. Telephone

Nothing

VII. OLD BUSINESS

MOTION NO. 7-12-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS TO ADOPT THE CAMPGROUND ORDINANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CROW WING COUNTY STANDARDS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IX. PUBLIC FORUM

A citizen requested having the remodeling of City Hall on the November general election ballot. The concensus of the Council was that all the Ad-hoc committee meetings are public and there has been talk for several years regarding remodeling, so people have had the opportunity to voice their opinion. There is also several thousand Revenue Sharing dollars that must be spent which has been committed to City Hall building or remodeling.

Another citizen said that their fire number cannot be read and it has not been replaced as yet. Clerk Buchite said she thought new fire numbers had been received and would be placed shortly.

Another citizen said he had been at the contested assessment hearing on July 11 and did not have any results yet. He also said the appraiser hired by the City said his lot on Dew Drop Lake and West Shore Drive was a buildable lot. Coordinator Kingstedt said the citizen would have to apply for a variance but that it quite likely would be granted. Acting Mayor Nelson said the citizen would have to wait for the outcome of the hearing and he could take further action if he felt it was necessary at that time.

X. Adjourn

MOTION NO.7-13-86 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN ALLEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN COURTS TO ADJOURN THIS REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION AT 9:40 P.M. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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