

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF CROSSLAKE
SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION - July 22, 1987
7:00 p.m. at City Hall

The City Council of Crosslake Minnesota met in a special session on Wednesday, July 22, 1987 in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The following members were present: Mayor Oliver Courts, Councilmembers Elizabeth Andolshek, Lyle Arends, Diana Gallaway and Oliver Yates. Telephone Commission members present were Robert Turner, Chairman, Dene Carney, Doug Nelson, Scott Henderson and Richard Kendall. Also present were Anthony Mayer, General Manager of the Telephone Company, Helen Fraser and C.C.I. Engineers, Bob Reff and Paul Wueben.

Mayor Courts called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated that the primary purpose for this special meeting was to review and/or approve fiber optics bids for the telephone company.

Mayor Courts turned the meeting over to Chairman Robert Turner. Mr. Turner said that at a special meeting in April the council approved requesting bids for the fiber optic link between Consolidated Telephone on the South and Emily/Outing on the North. These bids are the next step.

General Manager Mayer said that this meeting and the information handed out to the Council this evening is the culmination of working with these companies and obtaining bids for the link.

Mr. Mayer said there were five bids submitted. The low bid was from Wilde Construction, Inc. with a bid of \$93,605.73 for the 8 fiber cable and \$108,355.87 for the 10 fiber cable. The high bids were \$118,996.37 for the 8 fiber cable and \$129,662.91 for the 10 fiber cable construction. The Telephone Commission recommended that the Council go with Wilde Construction, Inc. and with the 10 fiber cable. Consolidated and Emily/Outing will both be going with 10 fiber cable. Mr. Mayer said Crosslake's link is approximately nine and one-half miles. REA has approved Crosslake's interim financing and engineering but have not approved the loan as yet according to Mr. Mayer.

Mayor Courts called for a motion from the Council first and discussion following. Mayor Courts also asked if this recommendation from the Telephone Commission was unanimous. Mayer indicated it was. MOTION NO. 7S-01-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDOLSHEK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLAWAY TO ACCEPT THE BID OF \$108,355.87 FROM WILDE CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE TEN FIBER CABLE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TELEPHONE COMMISSION.

Manager Mayer said this new link would not create a need for citizens to purchase new phones as this link affects the telephone company only. Mr. Mayer indicated that Consolidated Telephone Company will be having Northern Mechanical Systems do their work and Emily/Outing has not taken bids as yet. The same cable, according to specification from REA, will be used so the connections should not be a problem. Mr. Mayer indicated that Crosslake Telephone Company expects a 28 to 30 percent return on their investment. The interest rate has not been determined as yet.

Upon Mayor Courts calling for a vote on the motion, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Courts said that at the last regular council meeting a letter was discussed from the Street Superintendents Association which stated that employees with over 67 days must be given full-time benefits. Clerk Buchite checked this out with the League and was informed that is for union members and does not affect City employees.

Mayor Courts said the closing date for the purchase of the new city hall is expected to be July 27th but he has not had definite word from the City Attorney confirming that. Mayor Courts asked for a motion to give the mayor and city clerk authority to sign all final documents if every one of the contingencies are met. MOTION NO. 7S-02-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLAWAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER YATES TO GIVE AUTHORITY TO SIGN ALL CLOSING DOCUMENTS TO THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK. Mayor Courts declared to the Council that if there was any problem with any of the contingencies he would bring it back to the Council for Council action.

Handicapped accessibility was discussed. Councilmember Gallaway said the State requirements must not be too stringent because the new driver's license office in Brainerd is located on the basement level. Modification of the bathrooms, a ramp for wheelchairs and the widening of some doorways was all considered in the necessary remodeling work that would be needed by the Funding and Future Development committee according to Mayor Courts.

~~Councilmember Arends asked about having the driveway blacktopped, having some Class 5 material placed on the drive behind the building and having garage door openers installed.~~ Mayor Courts said all we will probably do this year is to make the building handicapped accessible. MOTION NO. 7S-02-87 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councilmember Andolshek asked about the lease for Jack Schabel at the new city hall building and was informed that it will be discussed at the next regular Council meeting. Councilmember Gallaway said she is against leasing any part of City Hall because of the security measures that will need to be taken. Mayor Courts said it would mean additional revenue of \$3,300.00 per year for the City and Mr. Schabels business is during the daytime only.

Mayor Courts told the Council that Mr. Lingwall would like to have ten days after closing in which to vacate the building. The Council indicated that would not be a problem. Clerk Buchite will check into insurance for the new building.

MOTION NO. 7S-03-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ARENDS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLAWAY TO ADJOURN THIS SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION AT 7:38 P.M. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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