

Sept. 13, 1974

The regular meeting of the Crosslake City Council was held at 7:30 P.M. in the City Hall. Present were Mayor Kluender, Councilmen Foss, Schneider, Coulter and Olson. Also present were R. E. Schalow, Clerk, Charles Steinbauer City Attorney, Wm. Shields, Al Peterson, Wm. Reed, Robert Alderman, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Sutherland, Mr. & Mrs. John Stueffen, Mr. & Mrs. Norman Gregg, Don Engen, H. J. Pass, and Mr. Sneiderman, and Doris Shafer, Treas.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kluender.

On motion of Foss and second by Olson the minutes of the August 9th, 1974 were approved. All members voting aye.

The matter of a deadend sign on the Birch Narrows Road again came up. It was decided that Pat Hoag make arrangements to get this sign placed, and that on motion of Olson and second by Foss, Mr. Hoag is to check with the county to see if other signs are available thru them, to arrange to purchase such signs as needed, including Stop, Dead End, Slow, etc.

Councilman Coulter presented a check in the amount of \$631.28 to the City as the final payment from the ambulance fund, for the portion of the fire hall addition to be used for ambulance quarters. Total payment to the City for the unit is \$6,631.28.

On motion of Olson and second by Coulter the remaining balance of \$200.00 due Don Raph on the construction of the fire hall addition is to be paid. The items of concern on the building project now having been corrected. All members voting aye.

Mr. & Mrs. John Stueffen appeared before the council regarding the regulations relating to placement of mobile homes within the City of Crosslake. They indicated that they have been unsuccessful in obtaining a permit from the planning commission for this property. They indicated that they recently purchased this lot and the realtor indicated there was no problem in placing the mobile unit on it. They further indicated that the lot has mobile units on both sides now--in addition to several other mobile homes in the immediate area. Also, that they had given notice that they were leaving their present rented mobile site on Clamshell Lake. Mr. Al Peterson indicated these people had purchased this property after the adoption of our present mobile home ordinance, and should have checked into regulations prior to the purchase. Councilman Olson suggested that perhaps some sort of recourse should be made on the realtor, and that perhaps the property was misrepresented to the Stueffen's. Councilman Coulter indicated that the planning commission re-study this matter as a group, and pointed out that presently nothing but Mobile Homes are placed within this plat. Attorney Steinbauer indicated that a variance might be in order. The Stueffen's indicated their unit complied with all Minnesota Building Codes--and indicated that a house being built in the City did not have to comply with such codes. Mr. Peterson then pointed out that another area of the ordinance would apply to this case when it was revealed that the unit in question is much older than the 3 year limit the ordinance called for. The Planning Commission will again study this matter and make recommendations to the Council.

Mr. Robert Alderman appeared before the council, and advised that he was representing Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Sutherland of Timberlane Resort. Mr. Alderman indicated that it was his opinion that Permit # 453 which was issued on 8-24-73 for the placement of two mobile units on property known as Bon-Repoz Resort appeared to have been issued without following procedure of City ordinance.

The cause of concern appears to be what Mr. Alderman refers to as a 3rd mobile which was on the property prior to the issuance of permit for the others, and that he feels the proper method would have been to apply for a planned unit development. Mr. Steinbauer indicated that he felt that from his present information on the matter, no portion of the ordinance had been violated. Mr. Norman Gregg of Bon Repos indicated that he would consider removing the old camper type unit if that would help solve the problem. Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland appeared uninterested in anything but the two trailers. They indicated added problems existed, but made no effort to relate what these added problems might be. The council and city attorney indicated that they did not feel any problem with the city existed and that Mr. Alderman would perhaps have to look to other areas for relief of the problem.

On motion of Coulter and second by Foss, the clerk was ordered to write a letter to Mr. Jarvinen, and advise him that the Planning Commission has indicated that the road he has constructed in the Plat of Velvet Shores appears to meet City standards and they are recommending that the Council accept same. But, that since he did not build the road in the same location as he had indicated in the plat, that he have his surveyor locate the road on the plat in its present location.

Pat Hoag appeared before the council and indicated that he present type of work puts him in a classification which may tend to increase his insurance costs for health and life insurance. He did not know what these increases might be or whether he would be cancelled out completely. It was suggested by the council that he obtain information from the company in writing stating what the added premium might be and that he then come to the council with full information. He also asked whether it might be possible that the City would consider hiring a second person to work with him. No action taken on this request.

Mr. Pass asked the council to see if they could arrange to have the snow from the Bon Repos road plowed to the side that has no homes instead of into the driveways along the lake side. Mr. Coulter to check this matter with Guy Wannebo.

On motion of Foss and second by Olson the Village reports were accepted, and bills represented by checks 1857 thru 1912 were approved for payment.

On motion of Foss and second by Olson the Telephone Reports were accepted and bills represented by checks 3336 thru 3369 were approved for payment.

On motion of Councilman Schneider and second by Councilman Olson, the following resolution was adopted. All members voting aye.

Whereas, the City of Crosslake, owner and operator of the Watertown Township Telephone System of Crosslake, has need for financing certain construction work done during the summer of 1974, and

Whereas, Minnesota law authorizes short term financing thru use of warrants, payable within one year of date of issue and not exceeding the allowable tax levy for the year, and

Whereas, the Lakesland State Bank of Pequot Lakes has agreed to purchase these warrants at an interest rate of 5%,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that Warrant-Check Number 1, payable to Dakota Electric Supply Co., of Fargo, North Dakota, thru the Lakeland State Bank of Pequot Lakes, Minnesota in amount of \$22,000.00 be issued 13th day of September 1974.

Be It Further Resolved that the repayment schedule of such warrant be as follows:

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November 15th, 1974	\$2,000.00 Plus Interest
December 15th, 1974	2,000.00 Plus Interest
January 15th, 1975	2,000.00 Plus Interest
Feb. 15th, 1975	2,000.00 Plus Interest
March 15th, 1975	4,000.00 Plus Interest
April 15th, 1975	2,000.00 Plus Interest
May 15th, 1975	3,000.00 Plus Interest
June 15th, 1975	3,000.00 Plus Interest
July 15th, 1975	2,000.00 Plus Interest

Passed by the Council of the City of Crosslake, this 13th day of September 1974.

C. H. Kluender
C. H. Kluender, Mayor

Attest: *R. E. Schalow*
R. E. Schalow, Clerk

On motion of Schneider and second by Olson, check number 3378 was approved for payment. (Partial Payment Dakota Electric Supply Co. for cable.)

On motion of Olson and second by Schneider the clerk was ordered to prepare a check in amount of \$150.00 for uniform allowance for Luke Gallagher. Such payment would reflect a full year payment of this allowance and next May when other officers receive their allowance, Mr. Gallagher will receive a pro-rate allowance. All members voting aye.

On motion of Schneider and second by Foss, it was agreed that Mr. Gallagher should be enrolled in BCA school in March 1975 provided satisfactory progress is made during his probationary period as patrolman.

On motion of Olson and second by Foss it was determined that the telephone company will pay the sum of \$400.00 annually for rent of certain quarters at the fire hall building. All members voting aye.

On motion of Olson second by Foss the final plat of Anderson's South Bay addition was accepted.

On motion of Olson and second by Foss it was agreed that councilman Schneider make arrangements for the fire hall lot to be graded to provide for better parking arrangements there, and to have the bad blacktop removed from the south side of the building.

On motion of Olson and second by Schneider it was agreed that the City provide a new flag pole for the fire hall.

The policy of issuing keys for the fire hall was discussed it and it was agreed that Chief Fraser hold the sole authority for issuing these keys, so that he knows exactly who holds the keys. Councilman Coulter to advise Police Chief Backdahl of this action so that no other unauthorized keys be issued.

The clerk reported he had received three bids on the 1964 telephone truck that was offered for sale. The bids in question are:

Eric T. Wick	\$105.00	
Roy Field	200.00	
Alfred Laurence	225.00	On motion of Olson and

second by Schneider the bid of Mr. Laurence was accepted. If for some reason he determines the truck is not in running order--as specified in his--then the offer of Roy Field be accepted.

The clerk read a letter from Lake Region Agency regarding the matter of insurance coverage for riders in the police car. The letter indicates that we do have coverage, but that a somewhat grey area may occur insofar as other City employees riding in the car while on duty--which might already be covered on workmens comp.

Four members of the council will attend the fall meeting of the League of Minnesota Municipalities to be held at Breezy Point on 9-23-74. Clerk to send in reservation card.

The matter of past due telephone account of Echo Ridge was discussed. Attorney Steinbauer to study the matter further and try to determine some way of resolving this matter thru contact with the present operators and former operators.

On motion of Schneider and second by Olson, the clerk was given authority to sign the new Unattended Operator Agreement and Power Agreement with Northwestern Bell. All members voting aye.

On motion of Olson and second by Schneider the hours of election for the November 5th general election were set at 9:00A.M. to 8:00P.M. All members voting aye.

On motion of Schneider and second by Foss, it was determined that the question of a telephone bond issue be placed on the November ballot, and that a position statement of the City Council be published on Oct. 24th and Oct. 31st in the Crosslake Shopper which would ask for support of the bond issue. All members voting aye. (As of this date 449 people have responded to the questionnaire and 204 have voted in favor of the proposed new rates and 245 voted against.

Councilman Schneider reported that N. W. Bell had some batteries which would solve our power problem at the telephone building which we could have for hauling them from St. Paul, and the suppling of a battery rack for them. It was then moved by Olson and seconded by Schneider that the City Truck be used to transport them from St. Paul and that Schneider be given authority to arrange for a battery rack.

The following additional names were given to the clerk to contact for election board duty for Nov. 5th election Dorothy Schiltz, Pat Anderson, Vince Newcomb, Allen Stephens and Ingard Haugland.

On motion of Olson and second by Schneider the Crosslake Lutheran Church was given permission to hold some Sunday School classes in the City Hall on Sunday mornings for a payment of \$5.00 per week. Roll Call Vote: Aye Schneider Olson, Foss, Kluender Nay-Coulter.

The clerk reported that meeting of the Energy Agency of the State of Minnesota would be held in Brainerd at Brainerd Community College Auditorium on 9-16-74 at 7:30 P.M. Councilman Coulter to attend.

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The clerk reported that a meeting would be held in Brainerd on 9-16-74 regarding the allocation of positions to be covered under CETA. Councilman Foss to attend. (Note time and place of meeting were not indicated on letter from County Auditor.) Vern Sherve to notify Foss on Monday A.M.

The clerk was ordered to write a letter to Clayton Hamilton indicating the council wanted his past due rent paid within 30 days.

The clerk reported that he did not have a written statement from Mr. Moberg relating to the period of time he agrees to operate an ambulance in Crosslake without charge to the City. Councilman Coulter to make arrangements to have this statement made available for file.

The clerk was asked to contact the Minnesota Highway Dept. about the traffic survey.

The clerk reported that he had not received the reports from the police department relating to tickets issued and justices used during the last two months, as was indicated would be done in the July meeting. Councilman Coulter to follow thru on this.

The matter of replacement of the clerk came up for discussion. The clerk reported that one person, Mrs. Bill Resse, had applied thru the clerks office for this position. Also that a letter of recommendation for a Mrs. Nelson had been received. It was reported that the council had approached Mr. Don Engen to fill this position, and Mr. Engen had indicated he would at least fill the gap during and interim period. It was pointed out that the League manual shows the position of City Clerk and that of a School Board Member to be incompatible. Mr. Engen indicated that he did not wish to resign the School Board and that therefore perhaps the City should arrange for advertising in local papers to try to clear up the matter and find a candidate. It was then moved by Foss and seconded by Coulter that the clerk prepare and ad to be published in the Crosslake Shopper, Country Echo and Crow Wing County Review asked for applicants, that these applicants be interviewed on 9-28-74 at 1:00P.M. and that a special meeting of council be held on Tuesday 9-17-74 at 2:00P.M. to try to determine the work schedule and salary of the position. Clerk Schalow indicated that he would not continue with the title of clerk after Sept. 30th, 1974, but that he would be available at an hourly rate after that date, when his schedule would permit.

On motion of Olson and second by Coulter the meeting adjourned.

R. E. Schalow
R. E. Schalow, Clerk