

Sept. 14, 1973

The Crosslake village council meet in special session at 3:00P.M. on this date in the village hall. Present were Mayor Kluender, Councilmen Schneider, Olson, Foss and Coulter. Also present were R. E. Schalow, Clerk, Mr. Vern Armfield of Communications Consultants and Paul Hoheisel. Mayor Kluender called the meeting to order.

Mr. Armfield presented the council with some preliminary costs figures on the proposed updating of the telephone system. A lengthy discussion took place relating to the type and size of switchboard which should be considered. It was determined that we should be thinking about a board that can be used to service up to 10,000 subscribers should be considered. It should be wired for 1,500 lines at this time and the building should be of a size that would allow for expansion to 5,000 lines and designed to handle an additional 5,000 lines by addition to the building.

It was further determined that the clerk work with Mr. Armfield to try to determine what rate structure would be required to generate the needed revenue to pay for this equipment. The costs figure Mr. Armfield presented was \$1,095,000.00. Mr. Armfield will be back here on 9-21-73 at which time the cost work will began. The clerk suggested that Mr. Armfield pay a visit or make a call to the Public Service Commission when he is in St. Paul this week to bring them up to date on this project and to obtain some sort of step by step guidelines which should be followed.

At 6:00P.M. the council adjourned until the hour of 7:30 P.M. when the regular meeting was held.

Mayor Kluender called this meeting to order and all members were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Henderson appeared before the council to ask what need be done to obtain a set-up license for the addition they have made to their drive-in. It was recommended that they first seek the approval of the village planning commission since this would amount to a use change. If they obtain the approval of the commission for this change, then it would be necessary for them to obtain a state license and a village license.

Mr. Gordon Nagell appeared before the council to help in clearing what appeared to be some sort of neighbor problems. He first asked about the placement of a privy on or near a lot line. He later indicated that he had presented this same problem to the Planning Commission--and after that found that it was something that did not involve this village since the land in question came up the control of the Crow Wing County Ordinance. He next indicated that a matter of animal control was involved and that his neighbors horses and dogs were creating a public nuisance. He was advised that the Planning Commission should be advised of this matter and that this was within their control. He was also advised that a complaint could be signed by him and handled as a civil manner. He left the meeting after expressing an opinion that he was not getting help from either the commission or the council.

The matter of hiring a "combination man" for the telephone company was discussed. The clerk reported that he had obtained a reply from the Wadena Area Tech. School which rated Mr. Mertens highest on the list of candidates from that school. Mr. Wilson was rated 2nd. Paul Hoheisel indicated that Mr. Wilson's interest in the position diminished somewhat when it came to inside work, and that he preferred the outside plant work. Jay Andolshek was considered briefly but it was felt that perhaps the schooling at Wadena might be more valuable to the system.

After a lengthy discussion it was moved by Olson and seconded by Schneider that Mr. Rodney D. Mertens be hired for this position with an effective employment date of 11-1-73 and an hourly rate of \$3.00 per hour. Clerk to advise Mr. Mertens and make arrangements for a physical examination.

Councilman Schneider advised that a telephone board meeting will be held on October 5th at 3:00P.M.

The matter of gasoline for the police car came up for discussion. Mayor Kluender indicated that Thompson Oil Co. were not very prompt in getting supplies out here. It was suggested that Thompson Oil be advised that we want them to fill the tank every two weeks on a regular basis rather than waiting until the tank was empty or nearly empty.

The matter of patching roads for Manhattan Beach was brought up by Mayor Kluender. Since we have^{no} equipment available at this time--and a more than ample supply of work for our men it was decided that we should not become involved with that road work.

On motion of Olson and second by Coulter the clerk was ordered to pay Lakeland Ready Mix Co. \$11,000.00 from Fed. Rev. Sharing Funds and the balance from Village General Funds when their bill for blacktop work is received. All members voting aye. The clerk is also to publish Rev. Sharing forms and indicate that no money has been received for the portion of the village which was formerly North Crosslake. This motion to include authorization to transfer Rev. Sharing Funds from Cert. of Deposit to Rev. Sharing Checking when C.D. becomes due.

Mr. Sterling Hoff who was to appear before the council at 7:30 P.M. briefly appeared at the meeting but did not discuss his question on the road project of 1972 with the entire council. There appears to be some question over his obligation to pay legal fees in amount of \$50.00. This matter is to be resolved by Mayor Kluender and Mr. Hoff's group.

Councilman Olson reported that the Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on 9-21-73 at 7:30 P.M. He further reported that the commission will meet on a regular basis on the first Tuesday of each month. He also asked for permission to stake each cemetery lot this winter to enable easier location of grave sites. He is to purchase needed stakes.

Councilman Coulter reported that he has not as yet resolved the matter of an accident report for the Olson-Goldenstein accident this past summer. He had written to officer Bukovich as asked him to forward a copy of same, but as yet has had no reply. The council asked Mr. Coulter to call directly to the school Mr. Bukovich is attending and talk directly to Bukovich on this matter.

Mr. Coulter also related that he has been authorizing village employees to use some of his personal tools--brush cutters, etc. but that he felt that the village should buy some of this equipment. He indicated that a brush cutter, lawn mower and a number of other items--including some sort of truck would be needed. The council authorized him to seek prices on these items and report back.

Chief Fraser appeared before the council and indicated that the fire department would be in need of 700 feet of 4" hose as soon as the new truck arrived. He estimated that the cost would be about \$2100.00. This would be somewhat over the 1973 budget but that the department would be very willing to consider this purchase of hose to be their 1973 and 1974 equipment allotment. He indicated that many other items were to be ordered too, but that with the nearly \$1,700.00 gift from the Craft Club and money raised by the department itself--only the hose would actually come from village tax funds. All items would be purchased at one time and paid for by village check but reimbursement would be made for all but the 4" hose. Bids on the equipment will be opened at Oct 12th meeting.

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On motion of Schneider and second by Olson it was agreed that the village will purchase the 4" hose as requested and that this purchase be considered as the equipment purchase for the 2 years (1973 and 1974) and that one village check be issued for all equipment with reimbursement of other items from Fire Dept. All members voting aye. (Chief Fraser to supply clerk with list of items to be included in bid.)

Mayor Kluender reported that Guy Wannebo had asked the village position insofar as snow plowing was concerned. He indicated that because of higher costs he will have to charge \$13.00 per hour. On motion of Foss and second by Schneider it was decided that the village retain Wannebo for the snow plowing--clerk to so advise and ask for a certificate of insurance. All members voting aye.

Mr. Kluender then indicated that Mr. Hilsabeck was willing to attend a 3 day Civil Defense meeting in St. Paul, if the village would stand the costs of this meeting. On motion of Coulter and second by Olson it was decided that the village allow registration fees, mileage, lodging and meals for this trip.

On motion of Olson and second by Schneider the preliminary plat of Coopers Cove was approved by the council. All members voting aye.

On motion of Olson and second by Coulter the village reports were accepted and bills represented by checks 1379 thru 1419 were approved for payment.

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The matter of village budget for 1974 was discussed briefly. All departments agreed to supply request figures to clerk by 9-21-73 and that the matter would be resolved at the meeting of 9-28-73.

Councilman Olson moved that the minutes of 8-10-73 relating to the plat of Sandra Shores be made to read: The Mayor and Clerk are not to sign the plats until such time as the roads are built to village specifications, or a bond is furnished, and that there be no building permits issued for lots 6, 7 and 8 of block one until these lots are made suitable for building. Second by Schneider with all members voting aye.

On motion of Coulter and second by Olson the minutes of 8-10-73 and 8-23-73 were then approved--subject to above correction. All members voting aye.

On motion of Schneider and second by Olson the village election hours were set for November 6th, 1973 at 2:00P.M. until 8:00P.M. Judges named were Roland Day, Thelmar Sorenson, Mabel Young and Dorothy Schulz as alternate. Clerk to arrange to have 2 people on duty for voter registration on that day. All members voting aye.

On motion of Coulter and second by Schneider the final plat of Buresh Addition was approved subject to approval by planning commission. Clerk and Mayor to sign same when all requirements are met. All members voting aye.

The clerk asked for permission to purchase some blacktop for his private road. Permission granted--clerk to advise amount used.

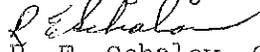
The clerk reported that he had received a letter from the League advising of a Blue Cross Plan that might be of interest to the village. It was felt that at this time we would leave matters as they stand in relationship to employee insurance.

The clerk reported that the fall meeting of the League of Minn. Municipalities for our village would be held on Sept. 25th at Onamia. Mayor Kluender and Councilman Olson indicated they would go. Councilman Foss and Coulter to advise clerk this weekend. Clerk Schalow will determine his plans and advise host city.

The clerk reported that Mr. Moberg of Brainerd Ambulance had indicated to one of the Commissioners that Crosslake was going to build a building to house an ambulance here. None of the council was aware of this plan.

The clerk reported that a meeting would be held in Brainerd on 9-20-73 relating to the redevelopment of smaller communities.

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


R. E. Schalow, Clerk