

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF CROSSLAKE MINNESOTA
REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION
OCTOBER 13, 1987

The City Council of Crosslake Minnesota met in a regular council session on Tuesday, October 13, 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. There were approximately 18 members of the community present.

Mayor Courts called this regular council session to order at 7:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance. First item on the agenda was the Consent Calendar. MOTION NO. 10R-01-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ARENDS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER YATES TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR CONSISTING OF: (1) THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 14, 1987 REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION; (2) THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 24, 1987 SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION; (3) THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 30, 1987 SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION; (4) THE CLERK/TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 1987; (5) THE TELEPHONE COMPANY'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER, 1987; AND (6) THE CABLEVISION COMPANY'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER, 1987. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CLERK'S REPORT - MOTION NO. 10R-02-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDOLSHEK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ARENDS TO ALLOW THE CLERK TO ATTEND THE WORKSHOP FOR CLERK/TREASURERS ON WITHHOLDINGS ON OCTOBER 19, 1987 AT THE COST OF \$5.00. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The next item was the renewal of charitable gambling licenses by the Lion's Club at the Riverside Inn and at the Echo Ridge Supper Club. MOTION NO. 10R-03-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ARENDS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLAWAY TO APPROVE RENEWAL OF CHARITABLE GAMBLING LICENSES AT THE RIVERSIDE INN AND AT THE ECHO RIDGE SUPPER CLUB. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Clerk Buchite indicated she had received only one bid for the remodeling of the new City Hall. That bid was from Crosslake Construction and was opened at this time. The bid was for \$18,496.00 with \$6,000.00 payable upon signing of the contract, \$6,000.00 upon completion of the rough in construction and the balance of \$6,496.20 payable when the job is completed. MOTION NO. 10R-04-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDOLSHEK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER YATES TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM CROSSLAKE CONSTRUCTION OF \$18,496.20 FOR REMODELING OF THE NEW CITY HALL. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Cost of bonding is to be over and above the amount bid. Bonding is required on any bid over \$10,000.00.

PARK AND RECREATION - Avery Hoff, Park Board Chairman said the Council should have received copies of the Park Directors job description by this time. Mr. Hoff said the Dam Run has been scheduled for May 21, 1988 but there is not a definite sponsor as yet, and the Halloween party is set for October 31, 1987 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for children from birth to twelve years of age. The American Legion is sponsoring the party and there is no cost to the kids. Mr. Hoff also said the Commission paid the registration fees for Vicky Leonard and Patti Felber to attend the fitness clinic in Brainerd.

Park Liaison Andolshek said she would like to have the Park Director attend the annual park and recreation conference in Minneapolis over the MEA weekend. MOTION NO. 10R-05-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDOLSHEK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLAWAY TO PERMIT THE PARK DIRECTOR TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL PARK AND RECREATION CONFERENCE IN MINNEAPOLIS AT THE COST OF \$135.00 PLUS MILEAGE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Mr. Hoff indicated that Ms. Felber is presiding over one of the committees.

PLANNING AND ZONING - No report.

CEMETERY - No report. Mayor Courts indicated the spelling has been corrected on the new sign and will be in place as soon as he finds time to paint it.

PUBLIC SAFETY - Councilmember Gallaway said Jim Gallaway was not present to give a report but she would like to have Fire Chief Garin talk about the fire numbers and the proposed new fire truck for the Council.

Chief Garin said the fire department has been taking care of the fire numbers for some time now and they feel it is a job that the city maintenance man should be doing because it takes so much time. There is still a problem with the numbers peeling and making them not legible. Many of the numbers have been replaced and the replacements have peeled, also. He indicated that they have started ordering numbers from a new company now where the numbers are stamped out on the plate similar to a license plate. Chief Garin said all money in their account for fire numbers will be turned over to the City Clerk but there is not enough in the fund to pay the bill which will be coming for the new numbers. He indicated that the signs cost \$5.25 and the City charges \$10.00 for them. Mayor Courts said the new signs are being made by the Gopher Sign Company and they placed signs in Pierz twenty years ago and the signs are still legible. Councilmember Gallaway asked if we would be getting any kind of a guarantee this time. Chief Garin said he could not remember for sure but he thought there was a five year guarantee with them.

Mayor Courts asked about a sign for Glenn Muffelman who ordered a sign in 1985 and still did not have one. Chief Garin said the sign has been ordered and he would call Mr. Muffelman and tell him.

Pat Hoag, City Maintenance Supervisor said that the fire numbering system has been a big headache and is going to cost the City a lot of money for his wages because it needs to be straightened out. Mr. Hoag indicated that the system is very mixed up. Mayor Courts said he felt this was something that belonged to city employees and not the volunteer fire department.

Councilmember Gallaway said she felt it was going to take a coordinated effort on the part of the fire department and Pat Hoag to get this corrected and operating the way it should. Mayor Courts asked Chief

Garin if he should appoint a committee to study it and Chief Garin said he would take care of it. Mayor Courts suggested bringing it up at the next Public Safety meeting for their suggestions and input.

Councilmember Gallaway said she would also like some study put into the purchasing of a new fire truck and suggested that the Funding and Future Development Commission might be helpful. Mayor Courts stated that the Commission is currently studying the prospective uses and/or salability of the old city hall and the fire truck purchase could wait until later.

TELEPHONE AND CABLEVISION - Mayor Courts said he had received a letter from the Rural Electrification Administration dealing with the "B" loan application for the fiber-optics, and in order to lock the interest in at 7 percent the letter needed to be answered immediately, which he did. Mr. Robert Turner, Chairman of the Telephone and Cablevision Commission said a resolution needed to be approved by the Council concerning this letter. MOTION NO. 10R-06-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDOLSHEK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GALLAWAY TO PASS THE RESOLUTION OF CONCURRENCE WITH THE RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATIONS'S LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 30, 1987 IN REGARD TO THE "B" LOAN FROM THE RURAL ~~TELEPHONE BANK FOR \$2,385,000.00 AT SEVEN PERCENT INTEREST.~~ Councilmember Arends asked if the \$2,385,000.00 included any part of the old loan and was informed that it did not. Mr. Turner said this sum did include the amount which would be needed if the Five-year Road Project which was implemented by the Council in 1986, would be continued. Mayor Courts said the only interest we pay is on the money that we use. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Turner said he and Manager Anthoy Mayer went to Minneapolis to discuss the proposed utilities ordinance and the letter from Don Engen, CPA and City Financial Advisor, with the telephone company attorneys Herbst & Thue, Ltd. Mr. Turner indicated they had a response to Mr. Engen's letter and had copies for the Council. Mr. Turner indicated that there were some modifications in the ordinance but they were not substantive changes just changes in names or grammar.

Mayor Courts said he did get a call from Mr. Engen just before coming to the Council meeting this evening and he reiterated his concerns and asked if the ordinance was going to be sent to the City Attorney for his recommendations. Mr. Engen said if the City Attorney is comfortable with the ordinance he would have no problems with it.

Councilmember Gallaway asked if all the new information could be sent to City Attorney James Gammello also. Mr. Turner indicated that they would see that Mr. Gammello received it.

ROADS - Pat Hoag, City Maintenance Supervisor indicated that there had been no commission meeting this month because only one member showed up.

FUNDING AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT - Chairman Dene Carney said the Commission would like to have permission from the Council to get a certified

appraisal for the old city hall building and property and value of leased property because of the inquiry from the postal department. The Commission also wanted permission or feelings of the Council on placing a sign in front of City Hall stating the property is for sale of lease. MOTION NO. 10R-07-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ARENDS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDOLSHEK TO APPROVE PAYMENT FOR HAVING A CERTIFIED APPRAISAL ON THE OLD CITY HALL. Councilmember Gallaway asked if this should come out of the City Hall remodeling fund and Mayor Courts said he felt it should come out of the general fund. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Carney said they had the names of three appraisers but were open to suggestions if anyone had any. Mr. Carney also asked for reactions to their request for a sign in front of City Hall. Councilmember Andolshek said she felt it was a good idea and Councilmember Gallaway said it would be a good way to get people talking about the building. Councilmember Arends said he would like to see an appraisal first. Councilmember Gallaway asked if we would be required to sell the building if someone made an offer and was informed that the City would have the right to reject any and all bids. Robert Turner said he would like to have someone make sure that the Telephone Company property is not included in the property to be appraised.

PERSONNEL - Nothing

MAYOR'S REPORT - Nothing

NEW BUSINESS - Nothing

OLD BUSINESS - Mayor Courts stated that the City of Crosslake has received a letter from the Urban Development and Action Grants office saying that Crosslake is eligible for UDAG grants. Councilmember Andolshek will write a letter to the person who was originally interested in building senior citizen housing in Crosslake and see if he is still interested.

Councilmember Gallaway asked if Conrad Bye had accepted the budgets as presented and Clerk Buchite said she had not received any changes of word from him saying the budgets were not acceptable.

PUBLIC FORUM - Harold Johnson asked about using charitable gambling funds to purchase a new fire truck for the City. Mayor Courts said the Council rescinded the motion to tax charitable gambling because the funds must be used for policing or enforcing charitable gambling rules. Mayor Courts said this Council wants a feasibility study done on need and paying for a \$100,000.00 fire truck before it will be purchased.

Dene Carney asked about restricting hunting in the City of Crosslake. Councilmember Gallaway said there are parts of town where it is wide open and it could be very difficult to restrict hunting. Mr. Carney said that hunters walk right down West Shore Drive with their guns slung over their shoulders and he any many of the residents along West Shore Drive cannot go for walks during hunting season. Councilmember Arends suggested

that a map could be made up similar to the zoning maps and designate certain areas for hunting. Councilmember Gallaway said that there is a lot of area on West Shore Drive and Highway #36 that is wide open and it would be very difficult to keep hunters out of there.

Surveyer Wally Buckler was present and said he had copies of the Greer Lake and Daggett Lake plats to be signed by the Mayor and Clerk. These are the properties which will be auctioned off by the Department of Natural Resources.

MOTION NO. 10R-08-87 WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ARENDS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDOLSHEK TO ADJOURN THIS REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION AT 8:35 P.M. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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