

October 25, 1974

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Crosslake City Council was called to order by Mayor Kluender at 7:30 P.M. Present were Councilmen Olson, Foss, Coulter and Clerk Perkins. Guests were Mr. & Mrs. Tom Woog, Bill Reed and Kurt Anderson.

The motion was made by Councilman Coulter to accept the October 11, 1974 minutes. Second by Olson. Carried.

Tom Woog expressed interest in constructing an ice skating rink for village use on the property behind the village hall. Tom suggested that the hallway of the village hall could be used as a warming area. In the discussion which followed, it was felt that the idea of the rink was a good project and the land could be used, however, it was felt that many problems could arise using the hallway for a warming area.

Councilman Coulter made a motion, with second by Foss, to allow Tom to pursue the use of the land behind the City Hall for an ice skating rink and use the concrete block building as a warming area. All members voting aye.

Councilman Foss made a motion, with second by Coulter, to accept the telephone report and pay all bills represented by checks #3370 thru 3409. All members voting aye.

The City Council will meet as Canvass Board for the City Election on November 6, 1974 at 2:00 P.M. in City Hall.

The vacancy in a council seat created by the death of Harold Schneider was discussed. Councilman Foss made a motion, with second by Olson, that the appointment be made after the election on November 6th. All members voting aye.

Al Peterson had made a request for support from the City Council in regard to snowmobiles crossing the dam at the park in Crosslake. Snowmobiles had previously been able to use the dam, however, this year it will be closed for this traffic. It is felt this is a much safer crossing than the highway bridge.

Councilman Olson made a motion, with second by Coulter, to instruct the City Clerk to write a letter to the Corps requesting the dam be made available as a crossing point as was the case last year. All members voting aye.

Councilman Olson has set lath on all cemetery lots in anticipation of winter snows. Deeds were signed and sealed for cemetery lots sold and transferred.

Councilman Foss has contacted all the telephone employees and assured them that there were no changes anticipated following the death of Harold Schneider. They were asked to contact Foss or Perkins should any unusual problems occur.

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Foss had contacted Vern Armfield and asked him to attend the Nov. 22nd Council meeting to discuss the present and future situation of the telephone system in light of the outcome of the bond issue vote on Nov. 6th. Foss also mentioned the contract we have with Vern Armfield. It seems this contract may be several years old and in need of being re-evaluated in light of our present situation. The Clerk was instructed to draw the old contract from the files for consideration before the meeting with Mr. Armfield.

Councilman Coulter mentioned that Al Yorek would be renting a house while building his new home and had objected to the fee charged renters for installing a telephone. He felt the fee to be out of line for a long time resident who had been a subscriber for many years. Olson made a motion, with second by Foss, to install the telephone, in the house he proposes to rent, at straight installation rates plus the normal monthly rates. All members voting aye.

Councilman Foss suggested, concerning the problem at Echo Ridge Resort (re: their refusal to pay the monthly charges on the board installed in the lobby), that they continue to be billed lest we lose our legal foothold in the matter. Olson mentioned that Harold Schneider had determined that Hans Larson was interested in purchasing the board, however, no agreement had been reached. The Clerk was instructed to find the letter originally written to Hans spelling out the details of the agreement for the installation and payment arrangement.

Kurt Anderson inquired as to the availability of an Arvig telephone in the Crosslake or Manhattan Beach area. It was suggested that, if he was willing to pay the high cost, a mobile phone might be an answer.

Francis Fraser requested a council opinion concerning mutual aid to neighboring fire departments. He cited a recent fire which the Crosslake Volunteer Fire Dept. had been called to but had refused because it was not in the area our department served. Foss asked if we were insured for fire runs outside our area and if our men wanted to accept the added burden of these calls.

It was agreed that if we were properly insured and a workable plan could be arrived at, the council had no objections to extending aid to other fire departments. The Clerk is to request an answer to the insurance question from the departments insurance company.

The question of money owed to the City by the Fire Dept., for recent purchases of equipment, was discussed. It was decided that the City would forgive this amount to allow the department to use their funds for additional needed equipment. This was placed in a motion by Councilman Coulter and seconded by Olson. All members voting aye.

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Mayor Kluender mentioned that on several occasions our firemen have traveled to meetings at their own expense. Councilman Foss made the motion, with second by Coulter, that these men be informed that the City would repay any such future expense. All members voting aye.

Councilman Coulter made the motion, with second by Olson, that effective immediately, the City pay \$0.15/mile for all City business mileage. All members voting aye.

Councilman Coulter mentioned one item of City Road business, which was a complaint of road damage by a cement truck near Mr. Sanio's home. The City will repair the damage.

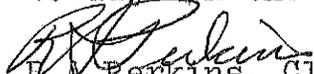
Councilman Coulter read the resignation of Patrolman John E. Parker which was to take effect on Nov. 1, 1974. Councilman Olson made a motion, with second by Foss, that the resignation be accepted. All members voting aye.

Councilman Olson made the motion, with second by Coulter, that Norma Kouba be certified as an election judge in place of Carl Hoel who would be unable to serve. All members voting aye.

Coulter mentioned the letter placed in the Crosslake Shopper concerning the telephone bond issue, to the extent that it contained support of the issue which was not intended by the Council. With the agreement of all members, the Clerk was to contact Mr. Schlick and make the appropriate corrections prior to the second printing.

The Clerk was instructed to write a letter to Donald Engen, CPA, to confirm our agreement with him for the audit of City and Telephone accounts.

Councilman Coulter made the motion, with second by Olson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:15P.M. Motion Carried.


R.A. Perkins, Clerk