

**SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION  
CITY OF CROSSLAKE  
NOVEMBER 7, 1996 - 1:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL**

The Council for the City of Crosslake met in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Thursday, November 7, 1996 at 1:00 P.M. The following Councilmembers were present: Mayor David M. Kolesar, Charles O. Miller, Raymond P. Smyth, Richard Upton and John (Jack) R. Webster. Also present was City Clerk Arlene A. Buchite, Bill Reed, Attorney Bruce Bundgaard, Tom Mezzenga, Armond Gease and Francis and Helen Fraser.

Mayor Kolesar called the Special Meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

The first order of business was to canvass the results of the November 5<sup>th</sup> election.

**MOTION 11S-01-96 WAS MADE BY RAY SMYTH AND SECONDED BY JACK WEBSTER TO APPROVE THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 1996 ELECTION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The interview process for hiring a police officer, to fill the vacancy left by Steven Schaar, was completed. Forty two candidates took the written test on October 16, 1996. Of these candidates, the top ten were given oral interviews on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The search then narrowed to three candidates and a recommendation presented to the Council to approve the hiring of Eric Lee.

**MOTION 11S-02-96 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RICHARD UPTON TO HIRE ERIC LEE AS CROSSLAKE POLICE OFFICER EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 1996 WITH A ONE YEAR PROBATION WITH THE BASE UNION SALARY SUBJECT TO POSITIVE RESULTS ON THE PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

A contract drawn up by the City Attorney's Office regarding the City Clerk's retirement in April was reviewed.

**MOTION 11S-03-96 WAS MADE BY RAY SMYTH AND SECONDED BY RICHARD UPTON TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CROSSLAKE AND ARLENE BUCHITE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Kolesar and Ray Smyth reviewed Rob Larson on his six month's performance and it was recommended that a raise be given retroactive to October 1, 1996. The amount of the increase will be reviewed at the November 12<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

A raise for the interim general manager at the Telephone Company was discussed. When Dene Carney was approved as the interim manager, the salary was based on his working on a part time basis. Since he is working more hours than what is considered part time, it was recommended that his salary be increased from \$2000 to \$4,000 a month.

**MOTION 11S-04-96 WAS MADE BY RICHARD UPTON AND SECONDED BY CHUCK MILLER TO BRING THE RECOMMENDATION OF AN INCREASE FOR MR. CARNEY TO THE UTILITIES COMMISSION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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Mayor Kolesar and Chuck Miller, who have been working with the developers on the Central Business District Road, had reviewed the proposals received from each of the developers. If the Council agreed with the proposals, the City Attorney will prepare the necessary legal documents.

**MOTION 11S-05-96 WAS MADE BY RAY SMYTH AND SECONDED BY CHUCK MILLER TO APPROVE IN CONCEPT THE ARRANGEMENTS DESCRIBED IN THE PROPOSALS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Wannebo Excavating had been awarded the bid to clear the new ballfield, and remove stumps and trees for a specified amount of money. When they were hauling out the stumps, they determined that there were several loads more than what they had estimated. They requested an additional amount of \$4600 from the City. It should be noted there no change orders submitted and no work done beyond what was specified in the bid.

**MOTION 11S-06-96 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO NOT PAY WANNEBO EXCAVATING THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION 11S-07-96 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO ADJOURN THIS SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AT 2:00 P.M. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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