

SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP
CITY OF CROSSLAKE
MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017
6:00 P.M. – CITY HALL

The Council for the City of Crosslake met for a Special Meeting on June 12, 2017. The following Council Members were present: Mayor Patty Norgaard, Gary Heacox, Dave Schrupp, Brad Nelson and Dave Nevin. Also present were Finance Director/Treasurer Mike Lyonais, Land Service Supervisor Chris Pence, Crow Wing County Land Service Specialist Jon Kolstad, City Engineer Mike Rardin, Northland Press Reporter Bill Monroe, and Echo Publishing Reporter Theresa Bourke. There were four people in the audience.

Mayor Norgaard called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and turned the meeting over to Chris Pence. Chris Pence gave the history of the ordinance, the interim moratorium, and why changes were requested. The Council reviewed the Land Use Tables and the proposed changes. Most of the changes were to eliminate commercial activity in residential zoning districts.

Dave Nevin asked if there was a way for a person to build something that is not a permitted use in a certain zoning district. Chris Pence replied that the applicant would have to ask the City Council to change the ordinance to allow the use in that district. The Council does not have the authority to make an exception or grant a variance. The policy would need to be changed. Land owners that currently have non-permitted commercial businesses in the residential zoning district will be able to continue that activity, but will not be able to expand. Dave Schrupp added that if a property was located on the border of two zoning districts, the owner could petition to have the property rezoned.

An audience member addressed the Council and asked if the person, who was denied the permit to build storage buildings, would be able to reapply when the moratorium was rescinded. Chris Pence replied that commercial storage buildings in the RR5 Zoning District will no longer be allowed once this ordinance is passed.

Dave Nevin was concerned that many commercial activities were eliminated from the Land Use Table and suggested that the Council determine where those businesses should be located because there is a need for them. Chris Pence agreed and stated that the Council could consider those changes once the comp plan update is completed.

The Council, Commission and staff went line by line down the Land Use Table to determine what should be allowed in certain districts. Several discussions ensued regarding whether archery ranges, church camps, and storage buildings should be allowed in residential areas.

MOTION 06S1-01-17 WAS MADE BY DAVE NEVIN AND SECONDED BY GARY HEACOX TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH ORDINANCE NO. 343 RELATED TO THE LAND USE TABLES AND TO RESCIND THE INTERIM MORATORIUM OF THE COMMERCIAL C.U.P. ACTIVITIES IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS ONCE ORDINANCE NO. 343 IS PUBLISHED. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Chris Pence reported that the Planning and Zoning Department is accepting comments on the Flood Plain Ordinance as required by FEMA through June 19th. The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on June 23rd and the ordinance will be brought to the Council for approval on July 10th.

MOTION 06S1-02-17 WAS MADE BY DAVE SCHRUPP AND SECONDED BY GARY HEACOX TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:14 P.M. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Respectfully Submitted,



Charlene Nelson
City Clerk