

SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
CITY OF CROSSLAKE  
TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2017  
5:00 P.M. – CITY HALL

The Council for the City of Crosslake met for a Special Workshop on May 2, 2017. The following Council Members were present: Mayor Patty Norgaard, Gary Heacox, Dave Schrupp, and Dave Nevin. Brad Nelson was absent. Also present were Planning and Zoning Commissioners Joel Knippel, Matt Kuker, Bill Schlitz, Aaron Herzog, Mark Wessels and Mark Lindner, Finance Director/Treasurer Mike Lyonais, City Clerk Char Nelson, Police Chief Bob Hartman, Land Service Supervisor Chris Pence, Crow Wing County Land Service Specialist Jon Kolstad, Northland Press Reporter Bill Monroe, and Echo Publishing Reporter Theresa Bourke. There were three people in the audience.

Mayor Norgaard called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. and announced there would be no public forum at this meeting. The Mayor turned the meeting over to Chris Pence. Included in the packet for information was an overview of what a moratorium is, State Statute regarding moratoriums, and a copy of the moratorium adopted by the Council on 4/27/17. Although the time limit is one year on the moratorium, Chris Pence urged the Council to make their changes to the City Code so that the moratorium could be lifted as soon as possible. The Planning and Zoning Commission could hold a public hearing on May 26<sup>th</sup> to consider the changes to the ordinance if the group could complete the items on the agenda today. It was the consensus of the Council to have the public hearing on May 26<sup>th</sup> and to hold a Special Meeting at 6:00 P.M. on June 12<sup>th</sup> to adopt the ordinance ending the moratorium. The effective date of the ordinance would be June 20<sup>th</sup>, when it gets published in the newspaper.

Jon Kolstad reviewed and compared the Allowed Commercial Uses in certain Zoning Districts of Breezy Point, Nisswa, Pequot Lakes and Walker. It was noted that none of these cities allow storage rental units in residential districts. Mayor Norgaard noted that the other cities had stricter guidelines than Crosslake. Chris Pence reported the number of acres in each Zoning District in Crosslake, noting that only 6.25% of privately owned land is zoned commercial.

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.

Dave Schrupp left the meeting at 5:55 P.M.

Patty Norgaard suggested that there be more residential districts that allow different uses depending on the size of lots. The group discussed the update to the Comp Plan and Chris Pence stated that it is okay if more changes take place after the Comp Plan is adopted. Chris Pence wants to add flood plain language, variance requirements and Shoreland District standards to the Comp Plan before it is final.

Chris Pence reported that the application for nine storage buildings will be heard by the Planning and Zoning Commission at a special meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Even though a moratorium is in place, the City must take action on applications that have been received.

Jon Kolstad will revise the Land Use Table with the suggested changes and email to the group before the public hearing.

Mayor Norgaard adjourned the meeting at 6:33 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Charlene Nelson  
City Clerk