

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
CITY OF CROSSLAKE MINNESOTA  
REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION  
APRIL 10, 1995  
7:00 P.M. CITY HALL

The Council for the City of Crosslake, Minnesota met in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Monday, April 10, 1995. The following Councilmembers were present: Mayor David M. Kolesar, Charles O. Miller, John (Jack) R. Webster and Raymond P. Smyth. Absent was Jane M. Michaud. Also present was City Clerk Arlene A. Buchite, City Attorney Paul Sandelin and several residents.

Mayor Kolesar called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**CRITICAL ISSUES** - John Backdahl congratulated Steve Schaar on five years of service to the Crosslake Police Department and presented him with a plaque in recognition of his anniversary.

An amendment to Ordinance No. 70, Third Series dealing with the City's Golf Cart Ordinance was read by City Clerk Arlene Buchite.

MOTION 04R-01-95 WAS MADE BY JACK WEBSTER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 70, THIRD SERIES, WITH CHANGES IN THE GOLF CART ORDINANCE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CONSENT CALENDAR -**

MOTION 04R-02-95 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY SYMTH TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR CONSISTING OF: (1) MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 1995 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING; (2) MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 1995 SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION; (3) MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 1995 SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION AND; (4) CLERK/TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MARCH, 1995. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

City Attorney Paul Sandelin recommended that the amended golf cart ordinance be published.

MOTION 04R-03-95 WAS MADE BY JACK WEBSTER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO APPROVE PUBLISHING A SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 70, THIRD SERIES DEALING WITH CHANGES IN THE GOLF CART ORDINANCE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CLERK'S REPORT -**

MOTION 04R-04-95 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY JACK WEBSTER TO APPROVE ALL BILLS FOR PAYMENT CONSISTING OF: (1) J CRAFT FOR EQUIPMENT FOR DUMP TRUCK FOR \$30,069.35; (2) CROSSLAKE ELECTRIC FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES CENTER KITCHEN FOR \$1,557.00; (3) LMCIT FOR CITY INSURANCE OF \$25,171.00; (4) CROSSLAKE SANITATION FOR RECYCLING OF \$950.00 AND; (5) GAMMELLO AND SANDELIN, P.A. FOR ATTORNEY FEES OF \$947.50. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A letter from the Crow Wing County Auditor's Office regarding charging fees for requests from title companies for assessment certifications by the City Clerk's Office was included for information only.

A letter and resume had been received from Jeff Melberg requesting the City consider his services as building inspector for Crosslake. The City currently has no requirement for an inspector.

The liquor license renewals were deferred to May.

The Crosslake Nutrition Site had requested financial assistance to continue their operation at the American Legion Club. The pull tab money from the Legion subsidizes a portion of the senior meal program, however, they are limited to what percent of pull tab funds can be utilized for internal programs.

MOTION 04R-05-95 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY JACK WEBSTER TO PAY \$900.00 TO THE AMERICAN LEGION FOR RENT FOR THE NUTRITION SITE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Council agreed that a policy on donations needs to be established.

A pledge update had been received from Northern National Bank.

A request to change the 3.2 beer and wine licenses at Ox Lake Tavern from AAHP Corporation to Tracy Henderson and Scott Cordell had been received on this date.

MOTION 04R-06-95 WAS MADE BY JACK WEBSTER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO REQUEST THE POLICE DEPARTMENT RUN A CHECK ON THE NEW OWNERS OF OX LAKE TAVERN PRIOR TO APPROVING THE LICENSES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A request for a temporary 3.2 beer and set-up license for the Fire Department for July 29th and 30th from 9:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. for a fund raising dance was discussed.

MOTION 04R-07-95 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO APPROVE A 3.2 BEER AND SET-UP LICENSE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT STREET DANCE ON JULY 29TH AND 30TH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT -

Mayor Kolesar proclaimed April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Crosslake.

A luncheon will be held on Thursday, April 20th at 11:30 A.M. at Riverside Inn to recognize the many volunteers who donated their time and efforts in 1994.

Northwedge Nursery will donate flowers, potting soil and supply volunteers to plant flowers on the corner of #3 and #66. The realty companies have agreed to purchase the pots. Volunteers are needed to "adopt a pot" to care for the flowers. Anyone interested in volunteering to care for a plant should contact Darlene at City Hall.

#### COMMISSION REPORTS

**PLANNING AND ZONING** - Nineteen permits were issued in March. The next Commission Meeting will be held on Friday, April 21st.

**UTILITIES** - The Commission recommended the Council approve the purchase of a 3/4 ton 4x4 truck from Nyhus Chevrolet. Bids had been received from Nyhus Chevrolet, Dondelinger, Houston Ford, Tanner Motors and Osterloh.

MOTION 04R-08-95 WAS MADE BY JACK WEBSTER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A 4X4 TRUCK FOR THE TELEPHONE COMPANY AT A COST OF \$9,060.62 FROM NYHUS CHEVROLET. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A meeting to review the audit results for the Utilities Company will be held on Wednesday, April 12th at 4:00 P.M. at the Telephone Company Building.

**PUBLIC WORKS** - The new dump truck has arrived in Crosslake. There were some minor problems with the fuel system that have been repaired.

The first meeting of the Public Works/Cemetery Commission was held on April 7th. Jim Kolstad was elected chairman and John Moengen was elected secretary. The Commission recommended the Council approve Widseth, Smith and Nolting to do the testing on Sunrise Island Bridge. MOTION 04R-09-95 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY JACK WEBSTER TO APPROVE THE \$1,500 ESTIMATE FROM WIDSETH, SMITH AND NOLTING TO DO TESTING ON SUNRISE ISLAND BRIDGE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was recommended that the City Attorney review a request to take over maintenance on a road on Auggie Mezzenga's property that had been dedicated to the City a number of years ago but has never been used as a City road.

A request to raise the spending limits was reviewed.

MOTION 04R-10-95 WAS MADE BY JACK WEBSTER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO RAISE THE LIMITS FOR SPENDING FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO \$500.00 AND TO \$1,000.00 FOR COUNCIL LIAISONS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council opinion on what to do with the parking lot between the Telephone Company and the Post Office was requested by Pat Hoag. Jack Webster recommended that it be maintained with Class 5 until the amount of traffic and usage is determined.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** - The Fire Department responded to 6 emergency medical calls in March, however, there were no fire calls.

North Ambulance had 19 call outs and transported 15 patients in March.

Steve Schaar attended fingerprinting school in Rochester and Mike Smith attended a school on interviewing and interrogation in Fergus Falls in March.

The Crow Wing County Chief Law Enforcement Officers Association monthly meeting was hosted in Crosslake on the 28th of March at the Emergency Services Center.

Chief Backdahl and Officer Schaar attended the annual "Sky Warn" program at the County Courthouse in March.

The Department was successful in obtaining a confession in March from an individual who had been making several harassing calls in the area.

Fifty-four applications were sent out for the position of police officer as a result of ads placed in various newspapers. Twenty-eight applicants took the written test on April 3rd. The top ten test scorers were invited back for oral interviews on Friday, April 7th with a board consisting of Mayor Kolesar, Jane Michaud, Steve Schaar and the Crosby Police Chief, John Drennan. Of these applicants, Robert Hartman was selected for the position.

MOTION 04R-11-95 WAS MADE BY RAY SMYTH AND SECONDED BY CHUCK MILLER TO APPROVE HIRING ROBERT HARTMAN AS POLICE OFFICER FOR THE CROSSLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mission Township had approached Crosslake about providing part-time police protection on a contract basis. A letter of intent has been submitted to the Township. If approved, service would begin May 1, 1995. A special meeting will be called if necessary to review and approve the joint agreement.

Fire contracts had been sent to the Townships of Fairfield and Timothy and to the City of Manhattan Beach, however, they have not been received back.

The first meeting of the Public Safety Commission was held on Thursday, April 6th. Charles McCulloch was elected as chairman. MOTION 04R-12-95 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY JACK WEBSTER TO APPROVE DEBBY FLOERCHINGER AND KATHY ALLEN AS ALTERNATES TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Future meetings of the Public Safety Commission will be held the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall.

It was decided that the COPS MORE grant application would not be submitted, as previously indicated in the March minutes, since further examination showed that Crosslake did not qualify for the program.

**LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLANNING** - The Commission has been meeting regularly and are exploring several opportunities. They are looking at computer mapping to determine where the wetlands are located in the City as a prerequisite for future planning. They are examining all city owned buildings for possible consolidation. They are exploring an addressing system for a possible future Enhanced 911 system within the County along with various other projects.

**PERSONNEL** - The Union contract has been reviewed and a meeting will be held on April 18th with the Union representative.

**PARK AND RECREATION** - The first meeting of the Park and Recreation Committee will be held on Tuesday, April 11th at 7:00 P.M.

The DNR grant, which had been discussed at the March meeting, will not be applied for. *AT THIS TIME But POSSIBLY NEXT TIME.*

**RECYCLING** - In March, there were 55 participants at the drop-off site for a total of 9,049 pounds or 4.52 tons recycled.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** - An organizational meeting had been held and Miles Johnson was elected president and Gil Arvig elected secretary. Bill Reed was appointed as the fifth member of the EDA. A workshop had been held jointly with the Council to discuss financing for the community center. A subsequent EDA meeting had been held with representatives from Juran and Moody and Publicorp, two fiscal agents.

Secretarial support for the EDA meetings was requested and if City staff cannot provide the service, a volunteer will be considered.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE** - The first Committee meeting will be held next week. Information on a referendum will be obtained prior to the next council meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS** - County officials will be attending the next meeting of local area mayors and their designates, which is being held on May 10th, to discuss the possible sharing of duties such as snow plowing.

**OLD BUSINESS** - Mayor Kolesar will meet with the Lions Club on April 11th to discuss funding for the July 4th fireworks.

**PUBLIC FORUM** - Nothing.

MOTION 04R-13-95 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO  
ADJOURN THE REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION AT 8:05 P.M. MOTION CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY.

Recorded and edited by:

  
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