

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Carol Coulter at 7:32 PM. Councilmen Delmonico, Andolshek, Anderson and Arends were present. There were about 32 members of the community present.

The mayor welcomed all in attendance and stated that copies of the agenda are available on the table in the rear of the room. She stated that she did not want the year to end without thanking the entire council for their accomplishments during the past year, as follows:

1. Establishing better communication with the public by publishing the agenda and the summary of the minutes.
2. The completion of the codification of ordinances.
3. Establishing a pay-as-you-use type program for the Park & Recreation Department.
4. Developing Funding & Future Development from an "idea" to a working coalition between people interested in tourism and business and people who moved to our area because they didn't want either one. They are striving to make Crosslake a better place to live that everyone can live with.
5. Establishing of the Road Assessment Program whereby residents requesting their road be up-graded will share the cost with the city.
6. Establishing better cooperation between bar owners and the council as they were informed of the regulations and what was expected of them. Consequently fewer problems occurred during the busy summer season.
7. Developing a city employee policy which will be completed within a few months.

The mayor thanked the City Clerk for her assistance in the mayor's first year in office and for her good financial management. She thanked the various service organizations and all the city's volunteer personnel. In closing, she wished each council member of the audience a very blessed and happy holiday season.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion - By Arends and seconded by Delmonico to accept the consent calendar as submitted which consisted of the approval of the minutes of the November 9, 1981 minutes, the financial report for November of the Clerk, and the financial report for November of the Telephone Company. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion - By Andolshek and seconded by Anderson that we adopt the resolution as read by the mayor in regard to giving support to Coffman Realty Company in their request to DNR for a hearing. Motion carried and the vote was unanimous. (Copy of resolution attached.)

The mayor then introduced Ron Morreim, Area Hydrologist of the Division of Waters of the Dept. of Natural Resources. He gave a brief description of how his division is organized and the matters it has jurisdiction over such as the Shoreline Management Act and certain works in public waters. Mr. Morreim left copies of useful information as to permit requirements for various projects and copies of a pamphlet stating when permits are not required. After a brief question and answer period he advised that anyone having any question as to whether a permit is required from the DNR should always contact his department when the question arises. The public hearing for Coffman Realty Company in regard to the denial of their request for a permit to dredge a short channel in Ox Lake has been set for February 18th.

CLERK'S REPORT: Motion - By Anderson and seconded by Delmonico to approve the bill from Widseth, Smith, Nolting & Assoc., Inc. in the amount of \$414. for the sewer needs list study as requested by the Funding & Future Development Commission. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

The clerk requested that the council discuss the matter of plowing the the Game & Fish Club property. A letter was read from B. Amlaw, President of the Game & Fish Club listing the busy schedule of various organizations using their club. He named the different people he had contacted trying to find someone to plow their property and requested that the city please continue to plow the parking lot. The mayor stated that she had requested that Mr. Amlaw write this letter so that the council would have the information needed to make a decision. She stated that the city had agreed to plow it last year because of the need for access to the Telephone Company old warehouse which was behind the building. This property is now being used by private business. She stated that she had asked the president if he would be willing to reimburse the city for the service, if necessary, if no one else could be found to plow, and he agreed that they would. In discussing whether or not it would be legal for the city to charge for this service it was decided that the clerk should contact the League of Minnesota Cities for the answer. Arends stated that he could plow the property and he felt the city would be interfering with private enterprise.

Motion: By Anderson and seconded by Andolshek that the city plow the parking lot of Game & Fish Club if it is legal to charge them on a straight time and gas basis, if no other source for plowing is available. Ed Kolinski stressed the fact that their organization is not making a profit on letting organizations use their building but simply providing a service to the community the same as the Crosslake Community Center. Anderson stated that he felt the cost would be approximately \$10. or \$12. The mayor then asked if the city would be willing to provide this service at no cost? Anderson replied that he was perfectly willing to do this except he was worried about setting a precedent. Arends stated that because a church is involved in the Game & Fish Club usage that the other churches might feel that should be plowed also. After further discussion by other members of the community the mayor stated that she felt that the council was faced with two choices, i.e. of providing a service to a community organization without charge or of providing the service with a small charge. Withdrawal of motion: Anderson agreed to withdraw the motion on the floor if Arends would agree to plow the Game & Fish Club until the January meeting when the matter would be taken up again.

The clerk requested that all council liasons provide her with a list of all commission members and the date of expiration of their three year terms, the date of the commission's election of the Chairman and Secretary and their names and position and the regular meeting date of the Commission. This should be done as soon as possible. The clerk asked the council if the clause stating that no member shall serve more than two consecutive three year terms shall commence on the effective date of the ordinance when determining the the beginning of the six year limit. Anderson stated that he would like to abolish that section of the ordinance as it is sometimes very hard to get people to serve on these commissions and they don't become knowledgeable for the first three or four years.

The mayor asked that the clerk keep this change in mind when we are changing other ordinances in the future.

The clerk stated that in regard to the printed copies of the ordinance, we should retain them here for future use and provide copies made on the copying machine at a cost of \$5. plus cost of cover of \$1.46. The council agreed that copies should be provided as listed in the clerk's memo plus a copy to the League of Minnesota Cities.

A discussion was held in regard to city policy on hiring part-time employees. Arends and Andolshek stated that they felt the job should have been advertised when our present part-time helper for Pat Hoag was hired. Anderson stated that had we advertised the present employee would have been hired anyway as he was so well qualified and is such a good, conscientious worker. He said the employee is one that both he and Pat can work well with and that he would have recommended him to the council and he assumes the council would have taken his recommendation. It was agreed that this part-time help can not work more than 120 days a year. The mayor suggested that this policy can be taken up when we finish the work on the employee policy. In regard to the part-time help at the Park, Anderson stated that applications were taken and the park commission helped to decide who should be hired. The mayor asked that the next time a CETA employee is hired that the council be informed.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor reported that at the meeting at the Community Center at which Don Samuelson, State Representative appeared, a member of the Council and Father Foster both suggested that our city do everything we can to support drug legislation, DWI legislation, stiffer for drug sellers, etc. She stated that Mr. Samuelson has written her twice since the meeting stating that he will help along these lines and will keep us informed of any pending legislation. She stated that of all the letters that went out to the various legislators in regard to the pending financial crisis, that Mr. Samuelson was the only one that appeared in person in regard to this.

The city will hold a City Christmas Party at Riverside Inn on January 3rd and the letters will be sent out in regard to this shortly to all employees.

The mayor thanked Girl Scout Troop #48 and the Brownie Troop #321 for peeling the birch bark off the logs to be used for the benches along the bike path.

The mayor explained that an extremely extensive and extremely expensive seminar was held in Duluth and that instead of attending she has received the literature that was handed out at the seminar and has not had time to study it as yet. It was decided that this completion of the employee policy could be taken up at the March meeting.

BUILDINGS: Delmonico stated that the remodelling of City Hall is just about completed other than the lettering to go on the front of the building.

Anderson stated that the Park Commission has recommended that the Community Center windows be purchased from Gedco with a pay-back factor in heat savings of \$245.50 per year.

MOTION: By Anderson and seconded by Andolshek that the above windows be purchased from Gedco at a cost of \$1,380.83 installed as recommended

by the Park Commission. After a discussion as to whether these windows will provide more of a savings than other windows on the market at a lesser price, it was suggested by Arends that the matter be tabled until the next meeting. The mayor stated that a motion was already on the floor. Patty Felber, Park Director stated they had a man out from the energy conservation department at the REA and he also felt the storm window of the type provided by Gedco that goes on the inside of the window would provide a greater heat savings. Patty explained that this financing is provided by REA for energy saving projects at an interest rate of 5%. Anderson stated that he made his motion based on the recommendation of the park board and that if the council feels that enough information has not been obtained then more information can be provided. The mayor stated that as long as a motion has been made that a vote can be taken and if it does not pass more information can be obtained. The vote was taken and motion did not carry; with Delmonico and Coulter voting, "AYE", and Andolshek, Anderson and Arends voting, "NAY".

FUNDING & FUTURE DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Fred Bieber, Chairman of the Commission appeared before the council at a unanimous request by the Funding & Future Development Commission for communication purposes only. He outlined the functions of the various committees of the Commission and named the chairmen as included in the council minutes of September 11th. He also announced that at the meeting a few weeks ago a Finance Committee had been appointed to look ahead and analyze what our financial needs will be, in case we do have to go into sewer systems or roads or whatever it might be, they can recommend to the council how these projects might be financed. He stated that the Commission realizes that they are simply an advisory group and that the final decisions will be up to the City Council. He said that one of the next recommendations from the Commission will be in regard to developing the business community in our town. He reported on the aim of the Commission as outlined in the council minutes of November 9th. He stated that the next meeting of the Commission is December 15th. He reported that the Business sub-committee headed by Gordie Haglin has come with a strong recommendation covering the establishment of a restricted zoning area and would establish specific land use areas for residential, communal and light industry products. The business area could be expanded which is directly east of where the business area is now located. This would be south of the golf course area down to behind the IGA store. He said the sub-committee had given serious thought to all areas in the community and came up with this recommendation for the location. The owners of the property will have to be contacted when they return from out of town. The owners are the Swann family and if they are not interested a different source will have to be found. The committee strongly supports a master plan for sewage handling the future financial requirements for the industrial area and the commercial area that is under consideration. They are talking about establishing an industrial area including the mechanism to attract small and light industry to provide jobs in the area. The sub-committee is considering going to a private subscription to raise funds and setting up a non-profit organization so that private funds will be available to help promote industry on short term financing until they can get their financing arranged through IRB bonds or local private financing. The council will have to consider the amending of the Zoning Ordinances which can be done at a later date even though the codification has now been printed.

FUNDING & FUTURE DEVELOPMENT (Cont'd): Mr. Bieber stated that the Commission is concerned about the financial cut back at federal and state levels of government and that is why they are so serious about having the finance committee as part of their group so that they will be able to recommend that the ideas of the Commission can be carried out. He thanked the firm of Widseth Smith Nolting Assoc., Inc. for providing the sewer study at such a reasonable cost and thanked the council for giving their financial support in the amount of \$414. He concluded his report by saying that it is the Commission's aim to get as many people involved in the community as possible as they wish to get a good cross section of what the community is thinking and said they would welcome anyone wishing to attend their meeting to-morrow night. Councilman Delmonico asked that the Commission consider establishing a committee on Public Safety to include a representative from the Police, Fire and Ambulance.

PLANNING & ZONING: Don Coulter presented the preliminary plat for Ox Lake Landing which was recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission for approval providing that all set backs be maintained. Motion: By Arends and seconded by Delmonico that the council accept the preliminary plat of Ox Lake Landing as recommended by the Commission providing that all set backs be maintained. The motion carried with the mayor abstaining and Arends, Andolshek, Anderson and Delmonico voting, "AYE".

Anderson questioned the decision of Planning & Zoning in regard to the division of the Barsness property. Arends stated that this had been platted out as two lots, A & B and that Barsness had been paying taxes on two lots for a long time and had furnished the Commission with proof by providing the paperwork. Anderson stated that he felt it would have been better to issue a variance as the last two Commissions had turned it down. Arends replied that the Commissions had never been provided with the facts previously. Anderson stated that the Shoreline Management Act would bind this property as he was under the impression that it was divided after the effective date of the Act. Arends stated he will provide the information on the Commission's decision at the next meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Motion - By Delmonico and seconded by Anderson that we adopt the resolution as submitted by the clerk that we do respond to requests for assistance from the Breezy Point Police Department and authorizing the Crosslake Police Department to call on the Breezy Point Police Department for assistance in emergency situations; also, a similar resolution substituting the words Emily for the words Breezy Point is adopted. (Copy of resolution is attached.) The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

The mayor commended the Ambulance Crew after attending a session that was held at City Hall. She stated that she was completely amazed at the sophisticated knowledge required of these people.

ROADS: Motion - By Anderson and seconded by seconded by Delmonico that the city pick up 1/3 or 33-1/3% of cost of the road construction under the road assessment program with two exceptions: 1. A situation where a new developer comes in and wants his road built in the new development and black-topped under the assessment program in which case he would be assessed 100%. 2. Where one individual wants the road fixed at no cost to the abutting property owners in which the city would not

ROADS (Cont'd): pick up any of the cost. The motion carried with Anderson, Coulter and Delmonico, voting: "AYE" and Arends and Andolshek, voting: "NAY". The discussion that preceded the voting contained some of the following remarks. Anderson stated that Bruce Buxton of Widseth, Smith Nolting & Assoc., Inc. the city's engineering firm for the road assessment program had advised that the city could agree to share from 20 to 40% of the cost. Arends stated that he felt the percentage should be 20%. Anderson estimated that the city could construct about \$195,000. worth of roads next as we will have approximately \$65,000. in the road fund for 1982. Anderson stated that seal coating is not advised by the engineers anymore as it does not extend the life of the road enough and the engineers advise that an inch and a half of overlay is cheaper in the long run. In answer to a question by Al Benson, a member of the community, as to why this percentage cannot be flexible that the city must pay, Anderson stated that even people who do not live on a city road do use all roads and should pay some portion of the cost because of the usage. Anderson pointed out that this does not necessarily mean blacktopping the road but can be any road improvement, the only stipulation being that it does increase the property value to at least the amount of the assessment. Under the Road Assessment Program 35% of the property owners on a road can petition for an assessment and then it goes to a public hearing, if the petition contains 50% or more of the abutting property owners a hearing is not required. The mayor explained that we are simply accepting the percentage to be paid by the city on the motion. The road assessment program was accepted several months ago.

MOTION: By Anderson and seconded by Andolshek that the balance of the Road Construction Fund for 1981 which will be approximately \$34,500. be carried forward and included with the \$30,000. budgeted for 1982 and set up in a Capital Improvement Fund-Roads to be used next year or as needed. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

TELEPHONE COMPANY: Motion - By Arends and seconded by Anderson that the council accept the recommendation of the Telephone Commission to accept the Telephone Company Budget for 1982 as submitted. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that the Telephone Company write-off the 1981 bad debts as listed and recommended by the Telephone Commission. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that we do accept the re-appointment of Fred Bieber and Helen Frazer to a three year term on the Telephone Commission as of 2/1/82 & accept Fred Bieber as Chairman and Helen Frazer as Vice-chairman as elected by Commission.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that mayor be authorized to sign the annual engagement letter for Olson, Thielen & Co. to be the auditor for the Telephone Company. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Andolshek that the salary of Telephone Company Manager, Gary Fread be increased on January 1, 1982 to \$26,178. annual salary from \$23,478, an increase of 11.5% as recommended by the Telephone Commission. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

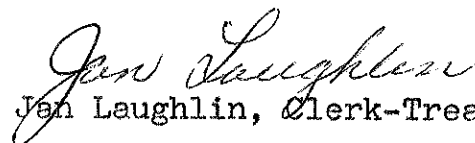
The mayor stated that nothing further has been heard from the County Engineer's Office in regard to the re-scheduling of the meeting on Hwy. #6

PUBLIC FORUM: Fire Chief Fraser stated that he would like to see every one start cleaning their chimneys. The mayor suggested that perhaps some publicity on the matter would help the situation. She suggested that the city put a small ad in the Country Echo as a public service. There have been 3 chimney fires and one house fire in the last week. Dodo Fraser introduced Brian Oftelie, the new editor of the Country Echo to the council.

Don Coulter stated that the County has still not vacated the portion of old Hwy #6 that runs across the Haglin property. He suggested that the council send a letter inquiring about this. MOTION - By Anderson and seconded by Delmonico that the Clerk be instructed to write the County Engineer regarding the vacation of the abandoned portion of Hwy. CSAH 6. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous.

MOTION: By Arends and seconded by Anderson that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Jan Laughlin, Clerk-Treasurer

City of Crosslake
ROUTE 1, BOX 1
CROW WING COUNTY
CROSSLAKE, MINNESOTA 56442

December 14, 1981

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING COFFMAN REALTY COMPANY'S REQUEST TO DNR
WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake supported Coffman Realty Company in its request to the Minnesota Department of Resources for a permit to construct a short channel in a bog located in an area in the City of Crosslake, now being developed by Coffman Realty Company.

AND WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources denied this request. AND WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake feels that this denial was unreasonable AND WHEREAS, Coffman Realty Company has requested a public hearing of the Department of Natural Resources. AND WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake would like to see this development take place as it would increase the city's tax base and enhance the potential development taking place within the City of Crosslake

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Crosslake gives Coffman Realty Company their whole-hearted support in its endeavor and offers Crosslake City Hall to the Department of Natural Resources and Coffman Realty Company as a location for the public hearing.

Voting "AYE": Anderson, Andolshek
Coulter, Arends and
Delmonico.

Voting "NAY": None

Approved.


Carol J. Coulter, Mayor

Attest:


Jan Laughlin, Clerk-Treasurer

City of Crosslake

ROUTE 1, BOX 1

CROW WING COUNTY

CROSSLAKE, MINNESOTA 56442

December 14, 1981

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CROSSLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE EMILY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CROSSLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO CALL ON THE EMILY POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake is desirous of having a backup police force available to assist the City of Crosslake Police Department in cases of emergency in Crosslake, and

WHEREAS, the City of Emily Police Department is nearby and available for assistance, and

WHEREAS, the Police Officers of Emily and Crosslake have been deputized by the Sheriff of Crow Wing County thereby making it legal under the laws of the State of Minnesota for the deputized Police Department Officers to assist other jurisdictions in cases of emergencies, and

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake Police Department is available to assist the City of Emily in emergencies arising in the Emily area, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Crosslake, Minnesota as follows:

1. The City of Crosslake Police Department is hereby directed to assist the City of Emily in the event an emergency arises in the City of Emily and Crosslake Police Department is contacted by the Emily Police Department for assistance.
2. The Crosslake Police Department is hereby directed to use reasonable care in the exercise of any assistance outside of the Crosslake City Limits.
3. The primary duty of the Crosslake Police Department is to the City of Crosslake and emergencies in the City of Crosslake must be handled before leaving the City of Crosslake to assist the Emily Police Department.
4. In the event the Crosslake Police Department requires assistance to handle an emergency situation, the Crosslake Police Department is hereby allowed to contact the City of Emily Police Department for Assistance.

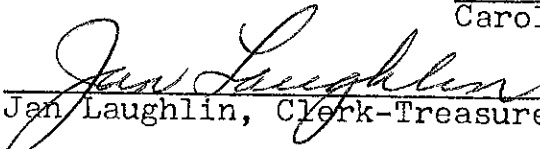
Voting "AYE": Anderson, Arends, Coulter,
Andolshek and Delmonico

Voting "NAY": None

Approved.


Carol J. Coulter, Mayor

Attest:


Jan Laughlin, Clerk-Treasurer

City of Crosslake

ROUTE 1, BOX 1

CROW WING COUNTY

CROSSLAKE, MINNESOTA 56442

December 14, 1981

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CROSSLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE BREEZY POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CROSSLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO CALL ON THE BREEZY POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake is desirous of having a backup police force available to assist the City of Crosslake Police Department in cases of emergency in Crosslake, and

WHEREAS, the City of Breezy Point Police Department is nearby and available for assistance, and

WHEREAS, the Police Officers of Breezy Point and Crosslake have been deputized by the Sheriff of Crow Wing County thereby making it legal under the laws of the State of Minnesota for the deputized Police Officers to assist other jurisdictions in cases of emergencies, and

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake Police Department is available to assist the City of Breezy Point in emergencies arising in the Breezy Point area, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Crosslake, Minnesota, as follows:


1. The City of Crosslake Police Department is hereby directed to assist the City of Breezy Point in the event an emergency arises in the City of Breezy Point and the Crosslake Police Department is contacted by Breezy Point Police Department for assistance.
2. The Crosslake Police Department is hereby directed to use reasonable care in the exercise of any assistance outside of the Crosslake City Limits.
3. The primary duty of the Crosslake Police Department is to the City of Crosslake and emergencies in the City of Crosslake must be handled before leaving the City of Crosslake to assist the Breezy Point Police Department.
4. In the event the Crosslake Police Department requires assistance to handle an emergency situation, the Crosslake Police Department is hereby allowed to contact the City of Breezy Point Police Department for assistance.

Voting "AYE": Anderson, Arends,
Coulter, Andolshek
and Delmonico

Voting "NAY": None

Approved.


Carol J. Coulter, Mayor

Attest: 
Jan Laughlin, Clerk-Treasurer