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A regular meeting of the Crosslake City Council was called to order by Mayor Fogelberg at 7:30 P.M. on January 9, 1978, in City Hall. Present were Councilmen Andolshek, Arends, Olson, Benson, Clerk Whisler and City Attorney Fritz. Ten other members of the community were also present.

The meeting began with a short talk by Mayor Fogelberg in which she commented on the progress of the City during the past year and the hopes for the coming year. She asked the various Commission heads and Council liaison persons to work in their same capacities. She then read a list of the appointments which consisted of:

Acting Mayor: Leonard Olson.
Health Officers: Leonard Olson and Doctor Charles Pelzl.
Roads: Lyle Arends.
Telephone Commission: Elizabeth Andolshek.
Cemetery: Leonard Olson.
Building Maintenance: Leonard Olson.
Civil Defense: Mayor Fogelberg, Lloyd Lindquist, Police Chief Backdahl.
Police Commissioner: Mayor Fogelberg.
City Attorney: Harold Fritz II.
Accountant: (City) Don Engen.
Accountant: (Tele. Co.) Olsen-Thielen.
Council Liaison with City Offices: Allen Benson.
Treasurer: Doris Shafer.
City Clerk: Charles Whisler.
Depositories: Lakeland State Bank.
First Federal, Brainerd.
Weed Inspectors: Fogelberg, Arends.
Police Chief: John Backdahl.
Fire Department: Benson.
Park Commission: Elmer Pearson---(Leonard Olson, Council Liaison).
Ambulance: Benson.
Planning & Zoning: Benson.
Official Publication: Brainerd Daily Dispatch.

The mayor then asked if there were any objections to these appointments. Hearing none, she declared them duly appointed.

When it came time to consider the minutes of the December 12, 1977, ^{MEET-}~~minutes~~, Andolshek stated that in Paragraph 8, Page 2, she had intended the new rate of 17¢ per mile for use of a private vehicle to apply to all City employees and not just to Telephone Company employees, as was indicated in the minutes. The Clerk accepted the correction. It was ordered that the 17¢ rate be made effective for all employees, retroactive to January 1, 1978.

Councilman Olson challenged the legality of Paragraph 5, Page 2, which indicated the Telephone Commission had scheduled an awards dinner. He stated he believed funds could not be appropriated for such an activity. After some discussion, Attorney Fritz was instructed to obtain a ruling on this.

Councilman Arends then questioned Paragraph 9 of the same page. He was in doubt as to whether Andolshek could be paid for her participation in Telephone Commission meetings. Andolshek explained that she not only acted as liaison between the Council and the Commission, she chaired the meeting and kept the minutes. The League of Minnesota Cities was to be consulted for its opinion in this matter.

The question then arose as to whether Andolshek should be voting on matters of the Telephone Commission. She stated she did not vote.

Olson then asked it be made a matter of public record that he was opposed to Paragraph 5.

Statements by Olson and Arends are not to be considered as corrections of the minutes, so the December 12, 1977, minutes were approved with one correction, a 17¢ per mile allowance would be in effect as of January 1, 1978, for the use of a private vehicle on City or Telephone Company business. The motion to approve was made by Andolshek and seconded by Benson, all members voting "AYE".

Olson moved the minutes of the December 22, 1977, meeting be approved as written. Arends seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Approved.

Andolshek moved the Treasurer's financial report for the City be approved. Olson seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Approved.

The financial report for the Telephone Company was approved on a motion by Andolshek and a second by Olson, with all members voting "AYE".

The Clerk submitted a bill for Council consideration from Nordquist Associates for 75% of the architectural fee relative to the blacktopping, grading, etc., in front of City Hall. Andolshek moved it be paid. Benson seconded the motion. When the matter was put to a vote, Olson, Andolshek, Benson and Fogelberg voted "AYE". Arends abstained. Motion carried. Bill ordered paid.

The Clerk then reported telephone log books had been placed by each phone in City Hall to keep track of long distance calls. He questioned whether it was wise to have such a book in the Police Department office because of the confidential nature of some of the calls. The Council decided to leave the matter up to the discretion of the Clerk.

The Clerk announced the hour of 8:00 P.M. had arrived, time for the opening of bids on providing a truck for the Telephone Company. There had been four bids submitted: Mills Motor, Imgrund, Dondlinger and Carney-Middleton. Telephone Company Manager Gary Fread took the four bids and withdrew from the meeting in order to give them more detailed study. The bids had been opened by the Clerk, as required, and the amounts of the bids and the alternates had been publicly read. These bids are on file in the office of the Telephone Company.

Elmer Pearson, chairman of the Park Commission, submitted a report stating the Park Commission recommended the City Council accept the Brainerd Construction Company bid of \$159,509.00 to construct the Community Center Building according to plans and specifications. Olson so moved. Arends seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Recommendation approved.

A lengthy discussion was held as to the maintenance of Crosslake Park, particularly the skating rink which would require regular flooding. The Clerk announced Crosslake would be having two MinneCEP workers and somehow a schedule would be worked out so the Park work could be done without having the City work suffer.

The hour of 8:30 P.M. having arrived, it was time to open sealed bids on a 1978 Police vehicle. The Clerk announced there was just one bid. This was from Mills Motors, in the amount of \$5,300.00 with a trade-in of the 1976 Dodge Police vehicle. Without a trade, the Mills bid was \$6,165.00. Arends moved the bid, without trade, be accepted. Andolshek seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". So ordered.

Telephone Manager Fread returned, announcing the bid from Dondlinger Chevrolet in the amount of \$9,253.00 was the lowest bid and met all specifications. Benson moved the bid be accepted. Andolshek seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". So ordered.

There was nothing to report from either the Cemetery or Roads Commissions.

Police Chief Backdahl announced the annual report from his Department was not ready, but should be ready by the next meeting.

Fire Chief Francis Fraser reported that at the first meeting of the Fire Department for the year 1978 he had been suggested for reappointment as Chief and Phil Bacon had been recommended as Asst. Chief and Fire Marshall. Olson moved these recommendations be approved. Andolshek seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Approved.

Chief Fraser then reported on a fire that had happened that day. He explained how it had happened and the difficulties encountered in trying to put it out.

Councilman Benson, reporting for the Planning and Zoning Commission, stated it was not self-sustaining. He then introduced a proposed new fee schedule, which had been recommended by the Commission, and which consisted of:

Sewer Permit--\$35.00; Variances--\$16.00; Conditional Use \$25.00, plus the building fee; Commercial Permit--Double the regular fee cost.
Building Permits: \$0 to \$500--\$7.50; \$501 to \$1,000--\$15.00;
\$1,001 to \$25,000--\$15.00, plus \$2 a thousand after the first \$1,000;
\$25,001 to \$50,000--\$65, plus \$1.50 a thousand over \$25,000; \$50,000
and up--\$105, plus \$1 a thousand over \$50,000. All building fee figures are based on a building cost of \$35 per square foot.

Benson then moved this proposed schedule of fees be adopted. Andolshek seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Fee schedule adopted.

Councilman Olson stated a green trailer had been moved in on Big Pine Trail apparently without permit. The matter was referred to Zoning Coordinator Mezzenga.

Councilwoman Andolshek, reporting for the Telephone Commission, stated they had held a meeting on Friday, January 6th and had recommended an amendment to the Telephone Company building contract, as follows:

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A change in the insulation which would save \$477.00; installing a solid core door, which would cost an additional \$208.77; extending conduits beyond end of blacktop, costing an additional \$1,288.00; adding an electric meter to power inside building, costing an additional \$331.38; provide a different pressure tank, saving \$825.00; revise three interior footings, saving \$80.00. These amendments would add \$446.15 to the cost. Andolshek moved these amendments be approved. Benson seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Recommendations approved.

Andolshek moved the Central Office equipment contract be amended, calling for additional equipment relative to custom calling. This would entail an expenditure of \$877.00 additional. This had been recommended by both Communication Consultants and the Telephone Commission. Benson seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Motion carried.

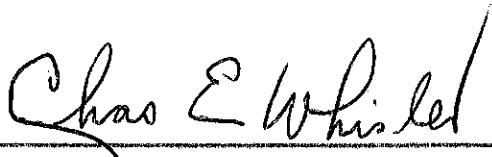
Andolshek then reported on a wage review for four Telephone Company employees:--Rod Mertens, Ron Schmidt, Marion Twombly and Helen Fraser. This would provide an hourly wage of \$5.65, a 20¢ increase for Mertens; \$5.60 per hour for Schmidt, providing a 30¢ increase; \$3.60 per hour for Twombly, an increase of 35¢; an hourly wage of \$4.30 for Fraser, and increase of 30¢. This increase would be retroactive to January 1, 1978. Andolshek then moved this recommended wage increase be approved. Benson seconded the motion. When the Mayor submitted the question to a vote, Andolshek, Benson and Fogelberg voted "AYE". Arends and Olson voted "NO", protesting they hadn't had sufficient time to consider the matter.

After much discussion it was decided, because of a rate increase, that the Telephone Company would no longer sponsor the "Calendar of Events" in the Chainletter.

Andolshek announced there would be a special meeting of the City Council on February 22, 1978, at 11:00A.M. to consider carrier equipment for toll terminals. She would officially request the special meeting at a later date.

There being nothing else to come before the Council, Olson moved the meeting be adjourned. Arends seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Meeting adjourned at 9:39 P.M.

CEW/rj


Chas. E.) Whisler, City Clerk