SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF CROSSLAKE FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021 9:00 A.M. – CITY HALL

The Council for the City of Crosslake held a Special Meeting on January 29, 2021. The following Council Members were present: Mayor Dave Nevin, John Andrews, Marcia Seibert-Volz, and Aaron Herzog. Dave Schrupp was present via Zoom. Also present were City Administrator/Treasurer Mike Lyonais, City Clerk Char Nelson, Fire Chief Chip Lohmiller, Park Director TJ Graumann, Zoning Administrator Jon Kolstad, and Police Chief Erik Lee. Attending via Zoom were Northland Press Reporter Paul Boblett and Echo Publishing Reporter Nancy Vogt. There were six people in the audience and on Zoom.

Mayor Nevin called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. and stated that the City's labor attorney, Jessica Durbin, notified the Council via email that she has received a City Respectful Workplace complaint. Ms. Durbin suggested that the City hire a neutral third party to investigate the situation and recommended two firms that could assist the City in the investigation. Dave Nevin stated that he called both firms that were recommended and received a call back from one of them. The woman he spoke with from one of the firms stated that she charges \$270 per hour and could move on it quickly. Dave Nevin stated that the Council needs to move forward no matter what and offered to call the woman back from the firm to let her know she can begin and to offer her names and numbers of staff. Attorney Person stated that after the Council approves a motion, the only thing the firm would need to know is that it is approved for them to move forward. The investigator will decide who to contact. Mike Lyonais suggested that the attorney make the call to the investigator. Brad Person stated that he would reach out to the investigator today. MOTION 01SP2-01-21 WAS MADE BY JOHN ANDREWS AND SECONDED BY DAVE SCHRUPP TO HIRE A FIRM TO HANDLE COMPLAINT AS EFFICIENTLY AS POSSIBLE AND AT THE COST OF \$270 PER HOUR. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AND MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Dave Nevin informed the Council that the firehall will not be completed by February 1 and that Dan Miller has offered to extend the lease to house the fire equipment at no charge. Mike Lyonais stated that staff will reach out to Mr. Miller to get a value for the rental so that the Council can accept the donation at the next Council meeting. MOTION 01SP2-02-21 WAS MADE BY AARON HERZOG AND SECONDED BY MARCIA SEIBERT-VOLZ TO EXTEND THE LEASE WITH DAN MILLER TO HOUSE THE FIRE EQUIPMENT AT NO COST TO THE CITY AND TO DETERMINE A VALUE OF THE LEASE SO THAT THE DONATION CAN BE APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT MEETING. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AND MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Dave Nevin requested that an item be added to the agenda regarding the firehall construction project. MOTION 01SP2-03-21 WAS MADE BY AARON HERZOG AND SECONDED BY JOHN ANDREWS TO APPROVE THE ADDITION TO THE AGENDA. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AND MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES. Hytec submitted a letter with options for the sealing of the hose tower. Option #1 is to use epoxy paint at a cost of \$7040 and Option #2 is to use masonry water resistant sealer at a cost of \$2420. Chip Lohmiller stated that

there have been some savings in the mold remediation portion of the project and stated that he would recommend that epoxy be used to seal the tower. John Andrews agreed with Mr. Lohmiller. Dave Nevin stated that the water-resistant sealer would be good enough. Dave Schrupp stated the epoxy would last longer. MOTION 01SP2-04-21 WAS MADE BY DAVE SCHRUPP AND SECONDED BY JOHN ANDREWS TO PROCEED WITH OPTION #1 EPOXY PAINT AT A COST OF \$7040. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN. MOTION CARRIED 4-1 WITH SCHRUPP, ANDREWS, SEIBERT-VOLZ AND HERZOG VOTING AYE AND NEVIN VOTING NAY.

MOTION 01SP2-05-21 WAS MADE BY AARON HERZOG AND SECONDED JOHN ANDREWS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:23 A.M. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AND MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlene Nelson

City Clerk