

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF CROSSLAKE
FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2022
1:00 P.M. – CITY HALL

The Crosslake City Council held a Special Meeting on Friday, March 25, 2022. The following Council Members were present: Mayor Dave Nevin, Aaron Herzog, Marcia Seibert-Volz and John Andrews. Dave Schrupp was absent. Also present were City Administrator Mike Lyonais, City Clerk Char Nelson, Public Works Director Ted Strand, and Park Director TJ Graumann. Northland Press Reporter attended the meeting via Zoom. There were eight people in the audience and on Zoom.

1. Dave Nevin called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.
2. MOTION 03SP2-01-22 WAS MADE BY MARCIA SEIBERT-VOLZ AND SECONDED BY AARON HERZOG TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TED STRAND EFFECTIVE 4/1/22. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES. All Council Members expressed their disappointment that he was leaving.
3. Ted Strand stated that an operator with at least a Class B and Type 4 Sludge license must sign off on all reports for the State of Minnesota. At this time Nate Deshayes has both licenses. Ted Strand stated that this duty should be compensated. The consensus of the Council was to discuss compensation at the AFSCME negotiations on Monday. MOTION 03SP2-02-22 WAS MADE BY AARON HERZOG AND SECONDED BY JOHN ANDREWS TO APPOINT NATE DESHAYES THE OFFICIAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SIGNATORY. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.
4. It was the consensus of the Council to discuss the assignment of temporary duties for supervising Public Works staff on Monday during AFSCME negotiations.
5. MOTION WAS MADE BY MARCIA SEIBERT-VOLZ AND SECONDED BY AARON HERZOG TO ADVERTISE TO FILL THE VACANCY OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR. Mike Lyonais stated that each Council Member is welcome to review a copy of the current job description and suggested that the advertisement be published with a salary range. It was the consensus of the Council to continue discussion on Monday.
6. Dave Nevin asked Ted Strand if staff would be able to call him if information was needed. Ted Strand replied that he would be available to answer questions. Dave Nevin stated that the calls should be limited to certain hours of the day and asked Mr. Strand what the charge would be. Marcia Seibert-Volz suggested that Ted Strand submit a proposal for consulting services to the City.

Tom Swenson of 35533 Sand Pointe Drive asked the status of the lift station project. Ted Strand replied that the project was completed yesterday. Tom Swenson asked where the City would advertise for the position. Ted Strand replied that it could be posted at the League of MN Cities, Minnesota Rural Water Association, Minnesota Wastewater Operators Association, and American Wastewater Association. Tom Swenson suggested that applicants be given a timeframe to obtain Class B sewer license and that applicants live within a certain

response time range. Tom Swenson stated that the City should have Ted Strand's input on the 5-Year Capital Plan that was directed to be completed this year. Tom Swenson stated that he has enjoyed working with Ted Strand.

MOTION 03SP2-03-22 WAS MADE BY MARCIA SEIBERT-VOLZ AND SECONDED BY AARON HERZOG TO ALLOW EACH COUNCIL MEMBER THE ABILITY TO REVIEW AND RATE EVERY APPLICATION THAT IS RECEIVED FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR POSITION AT CITY HALL. MOTION CARRIED 3-1 WITH ANDREWS OPPOSED.

Joe Chase suggested that the department be divided between roads and sewer. Marcia Seibert-Volz stated that would need to be discussed during union negotiations.

Pam Graves thanked Ted Strand for his creativity and for training his successors.

7. MOTION 03SP2-04-22 WAS MADE BY AARON HERZOG AND SECONDED BY MARCIA SEIBERT-VOLZ TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 1:39 P.M. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Respectfully Submitted,



Charlene Nelson
City Clerk