CROSSLAKE COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION/JOINT CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2004 CROSSLAKE COMMUNICATIONS

The Special Joint Meeting of the Crosslake Communications Commission was called to order by Ted Silva at 8:00 a.m. Members present: Ted Silva, Hank Duitsman, Bill Smith, Gerry Brine, Dave Fischer and Steve Roe. Absent was Clyde Fish.

The Special Crosslake City Council Meeting was called to order by Irene Schultz at 8:00 a.m. Members present: Irene Schultz, Dick Phillips, Bettie Miller and Dean Eggena. Members absent: Mayor Darrell Swanson.

Also present were General Manager Dennis Leaser, City Administrator Tom Swenson, Office Manager Debby Floerchinger, Operations Manager Jared Johnson, Network Engineer Paul Davis, Ted Strand, Helen Fraser and Cindy Holden.

The first issue of business was presented by Ted Strand relating to the requests for pricing on sewer hookups for city buildings. Ted reported that the only response received was from Wannebo Excavating Inc. The bid for \$11,745 included hook ups for all city buildings and removal of obsolete tanks. Ted reported that we have the equipment to remove the old tanks so the price will be less. Ted and Dennis both stated that this expense has been included in their budgets and the bid amounts were less than the budgeted amounts. Crosslake Communications will bore in their own sewer line because of the cables already located underground. MOTION S05-02-01-04 WAS MADE BY DEAN EGGENA AND SECONDED BY BETTIE MILLER TO APPROVE WANNEBO EXCAVATING'S QUOTATION FOR PERFORMING THE CONNECTIONS AND TO AUTHORIZE TED STRAND AND TOM SWENSON TO NEGOTIATE ANY PRICING ADJUSTMENTS FOR HOOKUP TO THE MUNICIPAL SEWER SYSTEM. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Ted Strand left the meeting at 8:05 a.m.

Dennis Leaser welcomed the City Council and Commission to the meeting. Dennis explained that the purpose of the meeting was to present a business case to the Council on becoming our own Internet Service Provider (ISP).

Paul Davis and Jared Johnson made the presentation. Dennis explained that the Internet is currently our third line of business but within a couple of years it will be our largest line of business. We are looking at voice over IP and other services that can be offered over the Internet. This fits into everything we want to do in the future.

Ted Silva informed the Council that the Crosslake Communications Commission has reviewed the opportunity of becoming our own ISP at the March and April Commission meetings. The Commission made a recommendation to the City Council recommending that Crosslake Communications become its own ISP.

Paul Davis and Jared Johnson presented the benefits, income, expenses and funding for becoming our own ISP. MOTION S05-02-02-04 WAS MADE BY DEAN EGGENA AND SECONDED BY DICK PHILLIPS TO APPROVE THE EXPANSION AT CROSSLAKE COMMUNICATIONS TO BECOME AN INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

The Council congratulated Crosslake Communications and the Commission for their forward looking to replace shrinking revenues from the telephone products.

A motion was made by Bill Smith and seconded by Hank Duitsman to adjourn the Commission meeting at 8:53 a.m.

There being no further comments, <u>MOTION S05-02-03-04 WAS MADE BY DEAN EGGENA</u>
AND SECONDED BY BETTIE MILLER TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL COUNCIL
MEETING AT 8:53 A.M. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Ted Silva, Commission Chairperson