TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING CITY OF CROSSLAKE DECEMBER 6, 1999 7:00 P.M. – CITY HALL

The Council for the City of Crosslake, Minnesota met in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Monday, December 6, 1999 for the purpose of reviewing the proposed 2000 budget and proposed tax levy. The following Councilmembers were present: Deputy Mayor Charles Miller, Irene Schultz, Dean Swanson and Richard Upton. Absent was Mayor Darrell Swanson. Also present was City Administrator Thomas Swenson and Deputy Clerk Darlene Roach.

Deputy Mayor Miller called the hearing to order at 7:00 P.M.

City Administrator Tom Swenson read into the record the notice announcing the date and time for the Truth and Taxation Hearing which were posted in three locations on December 1, 1999. The hearing date is also listed on the proposed tax statements received by the property owners. Posting is a requirement of cities with populations between 500 and 2500. A handout, prepared by City Administrator Swenson, listed the proposed budget for 2000 at \$1,677,648. This is an 11.2% increase over 1999. The 2000 proposed levy is \$1,094,648. This is an 18.3% increase over 1999. A listing showing the budget comparison between 1999 and 2000 by fund was included for information. A copy of each department's proposed budget was also included in the handout. City Administrator Swenson recapped those areas which are seeing an increase in 2000. A comparison done by City Administrator Swenson, of 29 surrounding cities ranks Crosslake 3rd lowest in Average City Tax Rate and 2nd lowest in Average Total Tax Rate in 1999.

Councilmember Schultz asked what the Series A and Series B bonds were for. City Administrator Swenson explained, that prior to her being on the City Council, the City bonded for the 1999 road improvement projects.

City Administrator Swenson stated that the Proposed 2000 Budget and Proposed 1999 2000 Collectable 2000 Tax Levy will be placed on the December 13, 1999 City Council agenda for consideration.

Councilmember Swanson complimented the City Administrator on his handout.

There being no input from the public, <u>MOTION 12T&T-01-99 WAS MADE BY RICHARD UPTON AND SECONDED BY DEAN SWANSON TO ADJOURN THE TRUTH AND TAXATION HEARING AT 7:23 P.M. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.</u>

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Deputy Clerk