

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1997
1:00 P.M. - CITY HALL**

The Council for the City of Crosslake met in a special session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Wednesday, May 21, 1997 at 1:00 P.M. The following Councilmembers were present: Mayor Bob Scott, Donna Keiffer, Charles Miller and Raymond Smyth. Absent was Richard Upton. Also present was City Attorney Paul Sandelin, City Engineer Dave Reese, City Surveyor Don Coulter, County Engineer Duane Blanck, Bill Reed, Jack Stone and Auggie Mezzenga representing Immaculate Heart Catholic Church. Taking the minutes was Acting City Clerk Darlene Roach. There were approximately 20 individuals in the audience.

Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M. by stating that the purpose of the meeting was to clear the confusion regarding the various purchase agreements dealing with the Central Business District Road.

Mayor Scott asked who in the audience wanted to address the Council first and Former Mayor Dave Kolesar went to the podium. He explained that he and Councilmember Chuck Miller had negotiated the agreements with all three of the parties involved. He also stated that all three parties had to sign the agreements in order for the road to go all the way to County Road #3. He also stated that all agreements state that the road is a "public road" giving entrance to the downtown central business district. He stated that the City would build the road up to the gravel point and then the three owners would pay for blacktopping via assessment. Mr. Kolesar stated that on December 16, 1996, it was agreed that the City would first do a survey, then cut the road through to County Road #3 and then assess for blacktop.

Attorney Sandelin stated that assessment is no longer an issue since the City's policy has changed regarding the blacktopping of roads. Chuck Miller commented that, under the new approved road policy, this business district road is listed as a priority for blacktopping.

The City, under the purchase agreement with Immaculate Heart Catholic Church, will pay \$20,000 at the closing for the land being obtained from the Church. The Church had requested a closing date prior to June 30th.

City Surveyor Don Coulter stated that, before closing, a survey needs to be done and the layout of the road reviewed with the City Engineer. County Engineer Duane Blanck did not see a problem with the road from the standpoint of the County and indicated that they could give a quick turnaround once the design is known.

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The easements currently in place North of the Church will be left as is and an easement will be given to Jack Stone.

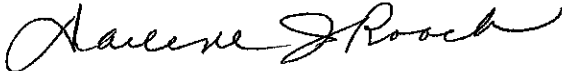
City Engineer Dave Reese addressed the Council with some concerns he had on the 66' right-of-way. Mr. Reese indicated that the type of road design would dictate the required right-of-way.

MOTION 05-02S-01-97 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH THAT DON COULTER BE CHARGED WITH SURVEYING THE CENTERLINE AND THAT THE CITY ENGINEER PROCEED WITH THEIR PLAN ONCE THE CENTERLINE IS IDENTIFIED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was noted that a permit is also required for a wetland on the Stone property.

MOTION 05-02S-02-97 WAS MADE BY CHUCK MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY SMYTH TO ADJOURN THIS SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AT 1:45 PM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Taped and transcribed by:



**Darlene J. Roach
Acting City Clerk**