

In the absence of Mayor Fogelberg, the regular meeting of the Crosslake City Council was called to order in the City Hall at 7:30 P.M. on October 22, 1976 by Acting Mayor Hildor M. Foss. Present in addition to Mr. Foss were Councilmen Olson, Petersen, Andolshek and Clerk Whisler. Also in attendance were twelve members of the community.

Prior to the start of business, Mr. Foss set down some rules for the conducting of the meeting. He also announced that he would abstain from voting.

The matter of approving the minutes of the September 29th special meeting came up for consideration. After two corrections by Councilman Foss which are now reflected in the minutes of that date, they were accepted as amended on a motion by Petersen and a second by Olson. All voted "AYE".

Olson moved that the minutes for the special meeting of October 4th be accepted as written. Petersen seconded the motion. All voted "AYE".

On a motion by Andolshek and a second by Olson, with all members voting "AYE", the minutes of the regular meeting held October 8th were approved as written.

The next order of business was the matter of how much time the Zoning Coordinator had coming. The Clerk read an excerpt from the agreement between the City and CETA, in which it stated that a CETA employee is entitled to all the benefits due any regular City employee. On that basis, Andolshek moved that Mezzenga be granted the week's vacation due him. Olson seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Motion carried.

Councilman Petersen asked the Clerk if Mezzenga had submitted a mileage report. The answer was, "No".

The next question considered was whether or not Mezzenga had an additional ten days coming because of the time he had devoted to the Red Cross class. After some discussion dealing with the type of time records kept, it was moved by Andolshek, and seconded by Olson, that the ten days be granted. All voted "AYE". Motion carried. The Clerk assured the Council that he would keep a complete record of Mezzenga's time, now that the City had assumed his contract.

Reporting for the Telephone Commission, Councilman Andolshek stated that Jay Andolshek had resigned from the Commission because he was unable to attend all the meetings. Mrs. Andolshek also reported that the final report from the Public Services Commission approving the rate survey was expected shortly. She also stated that the loan documents were expected from Washington, D.C. within a matter of days. She mentioned a meeting of the Association of Minnesota Telephone Utilities would be held in Bemidji at 9:00 A.M. on the 26th of October. This meeting would be for managers and directors. Olson moved that Chairman Andolshek of the Telephone Commission and Gary Fread, the new Telephone Co. manager, be allowed to attend the meeting. Petersen seconded the motion. All voted "AYE". Motion carried.

For the Roads Commission, Olson reported that the resurfacing project on Happy Landing Road and West Shore Drive should begin the first of the week. Snowplowing was discussed and the Clerk was instructed to contact Wannebo, Fairfield Township and Moldenhauer to see if they would be available for backup plowing in the event that it became too much for the City equipment.

The Clerk was also instructed to place an order for a revolving amber light to be mounted on the City's snowplowing equipment.

The Clerk read a letter from County Attorney Rathke in which he outlined a plan for creating a position of misdemeanor prosecutor for Crow Wing County. He invited the City of Crosslake to participate in the project. The letter was set aside awaiting the arrival of Attorney Rathke at the meeting.

Acting Mayor Foss announced that there had been an October 1st meeting of the Board of County Commissioners relative to the ambulance situation. Terry Moberg's attorney was there to speak for him. He asked for a three-year contract with a 5% increase in compensation. The Board had asked that they be provided with an operating statement.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Moberg asking for a certified copy of his operating statement and also attempting to find out what the plans were for ambulance operation in 1977, what subsidy would be expected, etc.,

For the Parks Commission, Councilman Foss discussed the two applications for grants that were being worked on. On the park development grant, Mr. Foss had contacted Saint Paul. He found that a final decision had not yet been made. However, of two hundred grants originally considered, there were seventy-five still pending and Crosslake was in that group of seventy-five. Relative to the community building project, Mr. Foss announced that favorable action was dependent upon many factors, two of them being the percentage of unemployment in the area, and whether the construction would have an adverse effect on anything of historical significance. Mr. Foss had prepared two letters, one to the Department of Employment Security and one to the State Historical Society which he asked the Clerk to type and send off to the two men in charge of those agencies.

The Clerk read a letter from Robert Alderman, a Brainerd attorney, in regard to the Janacek property. This is the third letter that Mr. Alderman had written relating to this matter. There were still some areas that were not clear in the minds of some of the Council members. The Clerk was instructed to write a letter to Mr. Alderman inviting him to appear at the November meeting to shed some light on these matters.

Fire Chief Fraser approached the Council to discuss the matter of amending Ordinance #10 which deals with the "Establishment of a volunteer fire department and making rules and regulations for the government of the same". It was suggested that Chief Fraser and Clerk Whisler work together on this and be prepared to give a report to the Council at their next meeting.

The Fire Chief also brought up the subject of providing water for the flooding of the skating rink. Because the rink this year will be about three times the size of last year's rink, this would pose a problem. After discussing the three alternatives:-the Fire Department, the City Hall pump or the well that would eventually be needed for the new Telephone Building, it was decided to further explore all three of these possibilities.

Under the heading of new business, the Clerk read a letter from Mr. Shields, Chairman of the Planning Commission, in which he stated that the terms of two members of the Commission, William B. Kimbell and William C. Shields,

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would expire, but that they both were willing to continue serving. On a motion by Petersen with a second by Andolshek, all members voting "AYE", the Council accepted their offer and they were reappointed for three-year terms.

A second letter from Mr. Shields was read by the Clerk. This was a request for a leave of absence from his duties as Chairman of the Planning Commission from November 8, 1976 to the latter part of April 1977. Mr. Arch Pease had agreed to serve in his absence. On a motion by Olson with a second by Petersen, with all members voting "AYE", the leave was granted and Mr. Pease's offer was accepted.

A third letter from Mr. Shields asked for a leave of absence from the Community Building Committee with Mr. Foss agreeing to act in his absence. Mr. Foss indicated his willingness to serve until the end of 1976. On a motion by Olson with a second by Petersen, all members voting "AYE", the leave was granted and the offer of Mr. Foss was accepted.

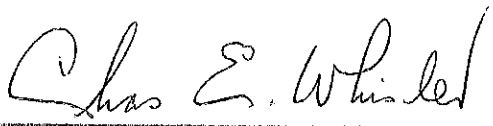
The Clerk then announced that he had discovered some mileage figures in the margin of one of Mr. Mezzenga's reports. Councilman Petersen said that this was not the type of figures he wanted. A breakdown of how many miles had been driven per each permit was necessary. The Clerk agreed to get these figures.

On a motion by Olson with a second by Petersen, all members voting "AYE", it was decided that there would be one monthly meeting of the Council beginning in November and continuing until there was a need to go back to the practice of two meetings a month. This one meeting would be held the second Friday of the month.

Councilman Olson again brought up the matter of maintaining Cross Ave. He was instructed to inform the interested party that a decision would be reached within a couple of weeks.

Councilman Petersen announced to the Council the possible availability of a Land Use Plan Grant in which there would be a 25% participation by the City required. He stated that the Planning Commission would review the matter.

On a motion by Olson and a second by Andolshek, with all members voting "AYE", the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

  
Chas. E. Whisler, City Clerk