

The Crosswell City Council met in Regular Session July 21, 2008, at the William Aitkin Memorial Library, 111 N. Howard Ave., Crosswell, MI. Mayor Macklem called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Present: G. Macklem, M. Willis, M. O’Vell, M. McMillan

Absent: J. Geiger

Administration: City Administrator Dave Tait, City Clerk Suzanne Dobson

Guests: Elwyn Neaves Jr., County Commissioner Judy Vincent, District Judge Candidates Greg Ross and Dave Myers, Don Levitt, Ann Milletics

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

II. **Approval of Minutes** from the Regular Council Meeting of July 7, 2008  
McMillan moved to approve the minutes of July 7, 2008 as presented, second by Willis.  
Motion Carried.

**III. Public Comments:**

Elwyn Neaves Jr. - No problem with sewer rate increase, but the dumping of campers and septic trucks at the waste station is costing us. Ans: Should only be city resident campers and on one else, if you see other please report to the police department.

Trees on M90 bikepath and also along North Howard hanging over the path.

City decals are not on all city vehicles.

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Add District Judge Candidate Dave Myers to the agenda.

O’Vell moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

**V. GREG ROSS - CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT JUDGE:**

Campaigned for District Judge asked for the Council support.

**VI. DAVE MYERS - CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT JUDGE:**

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**VI. CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**VII ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- July 23<sup>rd</sup> begins the paving project on S. Howard between M90 and Sanborn
- Curb & sidewalk were done in front of North Country Meat
- Painting on buildings.
- Plastech sold to JCI - still working on bankruptcy

- Wastewater project going along
- Sanilac Economic Alliance hired a new leader
- Bridge on M90 preconstruction meeting July 29<sup>th</sup> in Caro
- Don't forget the Festival - August 8, 9, 10

VIII **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:**

A. Macklem: 1. Trees on bike path; 2. Graffiti around town cleaned up before festival.

B. Willis: 1. Bathrooms need extra attention and on the weekend of the festival; 2. Street paving will that be completed by the festival? Ans: Yes; 3. Recycling bins being emptied.

C. O'Vell: No report

D. McMillan: 1. Gas changing over, maybe also make a deal for free air for the kids.

E. Geiger: Absent

IX **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

a. Attorney Bids: Received 3 Bids:

Thomas Wilson, Lexington, MI  
\$100.00/hour

Gregory Stremers, Port Huron, MI  
Touma, Watson, Whaling, Coury, Castello & Stremers, P.C.  
\$130.00/hour

Roy Kolberg, St. Clair, MI  
\$65.00/hour

City Administrator met with Stremers and Kolberg. Recommendation to award the bid to Gregory Stremers firm. Hourly cost is higher, but feel the research time will be less with a bigger firm.

O'Vell moved to accept the bids and award the bid to Gregory Stremers from the firm of Touma, Watson, Whaling, Coury, Castello & Stremers, P.C., effective September 1, 2008, second by McMillan. Motion Carried.

X **NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Cros-Lex Girls Softball - Solicit Funds:

Request by the Cros-Lex Jr. Girls Fast pitch Softball team to solicit funds in the City of Croswell to help offset their expenses to participate in the State Tournament.

McMillan moved to approve for the Cros-Lex Jr. Girls Fast pitch Softball team to solicit funds

in the City of Croswell to help offset their expenses to participate in the State Tournament, second by O’Vell. Motion Carried.

b. Commercial Club - Solicitor License - Festival:

Request by the Croswell Commercial Club for a Solicitor’s License for the Swinging Bridge Festival August 8 and 9, 2008 to sell glow necklaces, etc.

Willis moved to approve the Solicitor’s License for the Croswell Commercial Club for August 8 and 9, 2008, and the license fee waived, second by McMillan. Motion Carried.

XI PUBLIC COMMENTS

Don Levitt - Unlicensed vehicles, antique vehicles. Ans: City Administrator to speak with Police Chief.

XII APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

O’Vell moved to approve the Accounts Payable for the amount of \$322,210.89 and the bills be paid, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

XIII ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business Mayor Macklem adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Suzanne Dobson, CMC  
Croswell City Clerk

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Gary Macklem, Mayor