

The Crosswell City Council met in Regular Session August 4, 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, J. Geiger
Administration: City Administrator Dave Tait, City Clerk Suzanne Dobson
Guests: Kim Hartman, Karen Biskey, Teresa Robinson

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

II. **Approval of Minutes** from the Regular Council Meeting of July 21, 2008 & Special meeting of July 23, 2008

McMillan moved to approve the minutes of July 21 and July 23, 2008 as presented, second by O’Vell. Motion Carried.

III. Public Comments:

Kim Hartman and Karen Biskey coordinators of the Swinging Bridge Festival - Fencing and strips on bridge need adjustments; Appreciate work along the river bank; Thank you to Boy Scouts for their work.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Add under New Business item d. PK Construction - Building Bond and item e. Solicitor Application Circle R Ranch.

Willis moved to approve the agenda as amended, second by McMillan. Motion Carried.

V. CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Gregory Stremers - Thank you: Receive and file.

VI. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- Paving project budget
- Dump Truck is here
- City logo’s ordered
- MDOT M90 Bridge project will also repair railroad crossing.

VII COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:

A. Macklem: 1. MDOT trees on Bike Path. Ans: trees will be trimmed; 2. Sign on Black River Rd., graffiti; 3. City Council meetings change of place.

B. Willis: No report

C. O’Vell: No report

D. McMillan: No Report

E. Geiger: Replacing trees that have been cut down;

Ans: There is a fund for replacing those trees.

VIII **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

IX **NEW BUSINESS:**

a. MERS Delegates: Appointment of Officer Delegate for MERS. The union has elected Kevin Gardner and John Peck to represent the employees. City Council to appoint the Officer Delegates.

McMillan moved to appoint City Administrator Dave Tait as Officer Delegate and City Clerk Sue Dobson as Alternate Officer Delegate, second by O’Vell. Motion Carried.

b. Fee Schedule - EMS: EMS Director Jeff Dawson received the new rates from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan fee schedule and Medicare has approved a 3% increase for rural ambulance services starting July 1st.

BLS emergency rate	\$407.32
ALS emergency rate	\$483.23
ALS 2 Rate	\$700.07

O’Vell moved to adopt the new rates from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan effective immediately, second by Willis.

Roll Call Vote: O’Vell, yes; Willis, yes; Geiger, yes; McMillan, yes; Macklem, yes. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

c. Solicitor’s Permit - Schwan’s: Request by Schwan’s to solicit on the corner of M90 and N. Howard.

Complaint from the grocery store on the corner.

McMillan moved to approve the Solicitor’s permit for Schwan’s. Died for Lack of Support.

d. PK Construction - Building Bond: Request by PK Construction to have the building bond for construction at Rivercrest for the amount of \$400 to be waived.

No action.

e. Solicitor’s Permit - Circle R Ranch: Request by Circle R Ranch to solicit horse and carriage rides during the Swinging Bridge Festival. Cost to be approximately \$5 per person a 15 to 30 minute tour of the town.

Discussion held with Karen Biskey and Kim Hartman that other vendors pay \$125 to participate

in the festival.

Willis moved to approve the Solicitor's Permit for Circle R Ranch to solicit horse and carriage rides during the Swinging Bridge Festival, need proof of liability insurance and the permit fee of \$125 to be paid to the Croswell Commercial Club, second by McMillan. Motion Carried.

X **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Paving looks good on N. Howard; concerns regarding tree roots in the sidewalks.

X I **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Geiger moved to approve the Accounts Payable for the amount of \$347,198.53 and the bills be paid, second by O'Vell. Motion Carried.

XII ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business Mayor Macklem adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Suzanne Dobson, CMC
Croswell City Clerk

Gary Macklem, Mayor