

The Crosswell City Council met in Regular Session February 17, 2009, 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: Elwyn Neaves, Doug Butler, Larry Krawczyk, Marlene Sepsey, Sandra Fischer, Waste Management Representative Pat Greve, Jack Williams, DaCott Energy Representative Scott Childs, Joe Krawczyk

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

II. **Approval of Minutes** from the Regular Council Meeting of February 2, 2009  
Geiger moved to approve the minutes of February 2, 2009 as presented, second by O'Vell.  
Motion Carried.

III. **Public Comments:**

None

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

V. **PUBLIC HEARING – ELECTRIC RATES:**

O'Vell moved to open the public hearing for the electric rates at 7:35 p.m., second by Willis. Motion Carried.

A summary of the current and proposed electric rates were passed out to the audience.

DaCott Energy Representative Scott Childs reviewed the study that was performed on the electric rates. Average residential will be \$6.34; commercial \$22.00; large industrial \$800.

By 2015 10% of the energy will need to be renewable.

Fischer - questioned windmill energy.

J. Krawczyk – Cut back on bike path lighting. Make power out of the dam.

Ans: The lighting will not be cut back on the bike path, this is a safety issue. The DEQ is not approving permits for the dam.

VI. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a. Parks & Recreation minutes January 26, 2009: Receive and file.
- b. DTE Energy – 2 public hearings – electric rates: Receive and file.

VII. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- River flood

- Damage of Swinging Bridge – closed until further notice
- Council Chambers in basement.
- Assessment notices will be going out this week.

VIII. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:**

- A. Macklem: 1. Mills St. blight update. Ans: Needs final inspection with City Administrator and Police Chief.
- B. No report
- C. O=Vell: No report
- D. McMillan: No report
- E. Geiger: No report

IX. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. City Administrator Evaluation: Final evaluation was handed out. Mayor Macklem would like time to read the full evaluation.

Geiger moved to table until the March 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

X. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Electric Rates:
  - i. Close Public Hearing:

Mayor Macklem asked for any further questions or comments regarding the Croswell electric rates.

Willis moved to close the public hearing for the electric rates at 7:53 p.m., second by O’Vell. Motion Carried.

- ii. Resolution:

McMillan moved to adopt Resolution \$02-17-2009 amending the City of Croswell Electric rates effective April 1, 2009, second by Willis.

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

RESOLUTION #02-17-2009

McMillan moved and Willis seconded a motion that a Resolution is passed as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Croswell Charter, Chapter XII Municipal Utilities, Section 12.3 Rates states Athe Council shall have the power to fix, from time to time, such just and equitable rates as may be deemed advisable for supplying the inhabitants of the City and others with water; with electricity for light, heat and power; and with such other utility services as the City may provide.@

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Croswell City Charter the City of Croswell Council has

voted to amend said electric fees to ensure sufficiency of revenues in meeting operation, maintenance and replacement costs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the rates for electric service have been amended as follows and will become effective April 1, 2009:

E01	Residential Customers	Monthly Facility Charge	3.65
		All usage kwhr	0.0840
E02	Residential – Electric Water Heater	Monthly Facility Charge	3.65
		For the 1 <sup>st</sup> 200 kwhr	0.0840
		For the next 400 kwhr	0.0700
		For all over 600 kwhr	0.0840
E06	Residential Senior Citizen Rate	Monthly Facility Charge	3.65
		All usage kwhr	0.0780
E11	Residential – Electric Heat	Monthly Facility Charge	3.65
		For the 1 <sup>st</sup> 600 kwhr	0.0740
		For all over 600 kwhr	0.0714
E51	Residential – Total Electric	Monthly Facility Charge	3.65
		All usage	0.0650
E22	Commercial	Monthly Facility Charge	10.00
		All usage	0.0896
C2	General Demand Billed Customers	Monthly Facility Charge	20.00
		Demand Charge per kW	10.95
		All usage	0.0650
C3	Cros-Lex Community School	Monthly Facility Charge	100.00
		All usage	0.0650
C5B	Industry – Primary Metered	Monthly Facility Charge	190.00
		Demand Charge per kW	7.75
		All usage	0.0545
C5A	Industry – Not Primary Metered	Monthly Facility Charge	20.00
		Demand Charge per kW	7.75
		All usage	0.0545

Kwhr = kilowatt hour (1,000 watts = 1 kw)

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Suzanne Dobson, Clerk of Croswell, do hereby certify that Resolution #02-17-2009 was adopted by the City of Croswell at a Regular meeting of the City of Croswell Council held at the Wm. Aitkin Memorial Library on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009.

Vote on this Resolution,   5   members being present was as follows:

AYES: McMillan, Willis, O’Vell, Geiger, Macklem

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Suzanne Dobson, CMC  
City Clerk

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Gary Macklem, Mayor

- b. Gaming License Resolution – Croswell Agricultural Society:  
Request from the Croswell Agricultural Society for a charitable gaming license.

O’Vell moved to approve the Charitable Gaming License for the Croswell Agricultural Society, second by Willis.

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

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c. Waste Management Contract Extension:

Waste Management representative Pat Greve was present. Discussion was held on the garbage service and the starting of recycling.

Recycling is a service that all will have to participate. One bin will be given to each resident, the city can buy more bins and issue them to the residents as they see fit. Recycling will be bi-weekly, not weekly.

McMillan moved to approve the extension of the Waste Management garbage contract with recycling for 5 years, second by Willis.

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

A resolution setting the rates to the residents will be presented at the March 2, 2009 Council meeting.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

M. Sepsey questioned a lawn mowing bill she received. Ans: City Administrator to research and give her a call.

J. Krawczyk – Equipment purchasing cutback of the city, also snow removal of the sidewalks.

XII. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

O’Vell moved to approve the Accounts Payable for the amount of \$232,447.74 and the bills to be paid, second by McMillan. Motion Carried.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business Mayor Macklem adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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Suzanne Dobson, CMC  
Crowell City Clerk

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Gary Macklem, Mayor