

The Crosswell City Council met in Regular Session June 15, 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: Jeffersonian Reporter Margaret Whitmer, Elwyn Neaves Jr., Rita Schultz, Karen Schott

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

- II. **Approval of Minutes** from the Regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2009  
O’Vell moved to approve the minutes of June 1, 2009 as presented, second by Willis.  
Motion Carried.

III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Add under New Business item a.2. Women’s Wellness - Community Center Deposit;  
Insert Separation Agreement after Closed Session.

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

V. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a. SEMCO Energy Hearing: Receive and file.

VI. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- Community Center repairs
- Charter Amendments
- Web-hosting
- Swinging Bridge is open
- Project List
- Harrington Rd. bridge encroachment bids due 7/2
- Blue Cross Blue Shield meeting was held with employees
- Tax Increment Finance Authority meeting 7/1
- Foreclosure property – northeast corner of N. Howard and Ward.
- Out of office 6/16

VII. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:**

- A. Macklem: Trees and brush on bike path near Michigan Sugar
- B. Willis: 1. Deferred comp meeting; 2. Dead deer on bike path.
- C. O=Vell: No report
- D. No report
- E. Geiger: 1. Pedestrians walk on Sanborn bridge; 2. Storm drains; 3. Acronyms directory.

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Allan Adreoni – 5060 W Peck Rd. – Sewer Credit: The building area of the water leak was inspected. There are no drains under the building where the water went.

Geiger moved to give a one time 50 percent sewer rate credit for January, February and March, second by McMillan. Motion Carried.

IX. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Women's Life: 1. Community Center:

Immediate needs:

1. Holes need to be plugged along the eaves to prevent the birds and bats from getting in (Tom Dickensheets has been trying to get a contractor for an estimate.)
2. Faucets for kitchen (Woman's Life)
3. Toilet paper holder and soap dispensers (Woman's Life)
4. Purchase round banquet tables (approx. 10)
5. Purchase metal folding chairs (at least 100, preferably 130) and a rack to hold them in
6. Replace bi-fold doors (4)
7. Replace existing floor grates (10)

In the near future:

1. Main floor needs to be refinished (Women's Life is willing to do the work if the city will pay for material. Women's Life had \$500 in the Community Center Project Fund for 2009 and has already used some of that for other repairs but is willing to apply what they can toward the project.)
2. New flooring in the kitchen, bathrooms and hall
3. New carpet on the elevated portion of the floor
4. Air conditioning

Request pricing for tables, chairs, bi-fold doors and a heating and cooling estimate for air conditioning.

McMillan moved to table until the July 6, 2009 meeting, second by O'Vell. Motion Carried.

2. Women's Life- Deposit: Request for the security deposit to be waived for the year.

McMillan moved to waive the security deposit for Women's Wellness, second by O'Vell. Motion Carried.

- b. Beer Tent – Swinging Bridge Festival: Request by Thumbs Up Lounge to hold beer tent during the Swinging Bridge Festival, August 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> in the city parking lot on the west side of N. Howard. Need approval from the city for the Liquor Control.

Geiger moved to approve the use of a beer tent for August 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 in the parking lot on the west side of N. Howard, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

c. Boards & Commissions Appointments:

1. Tifa Board – Kevin Miller: O’Vell moved to appoint Cros-lex Superintendent Kevin Miller to the Tifa Board for a term expiring January, 2011, second by Geiger. Motion Carried.

d. Blacktop Bids: Received 2 Bids:

**Albrecht Sand & Gravel, Snover, MI**

Milling - \$0.1056/sft.  
Asphalt - \$50.22/ton  
Roller – \$65.00/hour  
Grader - \$125.00/hour  
Trucks - \$85.00/hour

**Astec Asphalt, Inc., Brown City, MI**

Milling - \$0.12/sq foot  
Asphalt - \$51.50/ton  
Roller - \$80.00/hour  
Grader - \$110.00/hour  
Trucks - \$65.00/hour

Recommendation to award the bid to Albrecht Sand & Gravel.

McMillan moved to accept the bids and to award the bid to Albrecht Sand & Gravel, second by O’Vell. Motion Carried.

e. Solicitor’s License Application – Croswell Commercial Club:

Request by the Croswell Commercial Club to sell glow necklaces, glow wands, etc., during the Swinging Bridge Festival Fireworks on August 8<sup>th</sup> or the rain date.

Geiger moved to approve the Solicitor’s License for the Croswell Commercial Club for August 8<sup>th</sup> or rain date, second by O’Vell. Motion Carried.

f. General Fund Transfer: Request for a budget transfer of \$85,500.

Willis moved to approve the budget transfer from Electric fund to General fund for the amount of \$85,500, second by Geiger.

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

g. Budget Amendment meeting: Request for a budget meeting for the 2008/2009 budget amendments.

Mayor Macklem set the budget meeting for Monday, June 29, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

X. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

- XI. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:** Adjustment under Electric Dept. the Metro Wire billing amount was invoiced wrong and the new amount is \$3,512.74.

Willis moved to approve the Accounts Payable as amended for the amount of \$326,245.86 and the bills paid, second by O’Vell. Motion Carried.

XII. **CLOSED SESSION – UNION NEGOTIATIONS:**

O’Vell moved to go into Closed Session at 8:35 p.m. for discussion of Union Negotiations, second by McMillan.

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

O’Vell moved to adjourn the closed session at 8:50 p.m., second by Geiger. Motion Carried.

- XIII. **SEPARATION AGREEMENT:** Geiger moved to authorize the City Administrator to sign the Separation Agreement with Robert Duff based on the recommendation from the City Attorney, second by McMillan. Motion Carried.

XIV. **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business Mayor Macklem adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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Suzanne Dobson, CMC  
City Clerk

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Gary Macklem, Mayor