

The Crosswell City Council met in Regular Session February 16, 2010, at the William Aitkin Memorial Library, 111 N. Howard Ave., Crosswell, MI. Mayor McMillan called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Present: M. McMillan, M. Willis, J. Geiger, L. Krawczyk, R. Butler

Administration: City Clerk Suzanne Dobson, Attorney Greg Stremers, City Administrator Tait was present at the Budget portion of meeting.

Guests: Kent Parker, Tifa Member Mike O’Vell, Jeffersonian Reporter Margaret Whitmer

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from the Regular Council Meeting of February 1, 2010
Geiger moved to approve the minutes of February 1, 2010 as presented, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Add item a. Kent Parker to New Business.

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

V. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

VI. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Absent

VII. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:**

- A. McMillan: No report
- B. Willis: No report
- C. Geiger: No report
- D. Krawczyk: No report
- E. Butler: No report

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Mary Willis – Cannery Apts. – Landlords & Shutoffs:

Mary Willis did research and it is about 50/50 of charging landlord or tenant.

Discussion of:

- landlord held liable
- cost in doing a dual billing for shut off notices
- should we currently be shutting off

Geiger moved to table until the March 1, 2010 meeting, second by Butler. Motion Carried.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Kent Parker – Delinquent utility bill:

Purchased a home with the utilities shut off. Had to pay the outstanding utilities and make payment arrangements in order for the power to be turned back on, so payment arrangements were made. Requesting that the balance of the delinquent amount be waived due to he should not be held responsible for the previous owner. Mr. Parker purchased the home from a mortgage company that foreclosed on the home and the utilities were turned off for non-payment.

Clerk stated that when Mr. Parker initially inquired about the home he was told about the delinquent utilities. When mortgage company's call and they tell us it is a "sale" we check the utilities for that address and let them know what they are. Most do not request in writing they just call.

Geiger moved to table until the March 1, 2010 meeting for more information, second by Krawczyk. Motion Carried.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

XI. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Butler moved to approve the Accounts Payable for the amount of \$427,398.97 and the bills be paid, second by Krawczyk. Motion Carried.

XII. CLOSED SESSION - LAWSUIT LITIGATION:

Willis moved to go into Closed Session at 8:14 p.m. with Tifa member Mike O'Vell and Attorney Greg Stremers for the discussion of the McKeand lawsuit, second by Krawczyk.

Roll Call Vote: Willis, yes; Krawczyk, yes; Butler, yes; Geiger, yes; McMillan, yes. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

Willis moved to adjourn from Closed Session of the lawsuit at 8:52 p.m., second by Butler. Motion Carried.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION – UNION NEGOTIATIONS:

Willis moved to go into Closed Session at 8:53 p.m. with Attorney Greg Stremers for Union Negotiations, second by Krawczyk.

Roll Call Vote: Willis, yes; Krawczyk, yes; Butler, yes; Geiger, yes; McMillan, yes. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

Geiger moved to adjourn from Closed Session of Union Negotiations at 9:21 p.m., second by Willis. Motion Carried.

XIV. 2010-2011 BUDGET PREPARATION:

Discussion of 5% budget cut for the 2010-2011 budget year. City Administrator has

passed this information on to the Supervisors.

XV. **ADJORNMENT:**

With no further business Mayor McMillan adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Suzanne Dobson, CMC
Crosswell City Clerk

Michael McMillan, Mayor