

The Croswell City Council met in Regular Session July 21, 2014, at the William Aitkin Memorial Library, 111 N. Howard Ave., Croswell, MI. Mayor McMillan called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Present: Michael McMillan, Mary Willis, John Geiger, Rob Butler, Cindy Fockler

Administration: City Administrator Sam Moore, City Clerk Suzanne Dobson

Guests: Jim Newberry; Candice Miller Representative Ed Smith, Jeffersonian Reporter Margaret Whitmer

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from the Regular Council Meeting of June 30, 2014
Willis moved to approve the minutes of June 30, 2014 as presented, second by Butler.
Motion Carried.

III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

V. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a. Parks & Recreation Minutes - June 23, 2014:
- b. Open House – Croswell Clinic – August 1, 2014:

Butler moved to receive and file the correspondence, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

VI. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- Croswell Rd. resurfacing - 2015 County Category 5 funding.
- No Parking signs - smaller
- Bricker Bldg.
- Deputy Treasurer/Utility Billing Clerk Lois Adams received her Michigan Certified Professional Treasurers Certification
- Clerk Sue Dobson was a Certified Municipal Clerk and is now a Certified Michigan Municipal Clerk
- Toured Water Filtration Plants

VII. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:**

- A. McMillan: No report
- B. Willis: No report
- C. Geiger: No report
- D. Butler: No report
- E. Fockler: Gaige St. & Depot streetlight blinking; Parking spots on corners on N. Howard should be moved back; Rotating parklets in front of different businesses; City truck on sidewalks; Community Center bees at back door & railing falling off; Wage Scale committee

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Audit of Assessing Requirements: Assessor out of office. Will be on the August 4th agenda.

IX. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Solicitor's License – Glo Products – Festival:
Received applications for Solicitor's Licenses for the Swinging Bridge Festival. Discussion was held regarding the applications.

Fockler moved to approve the Solicitor's Permits for Danny Averitt - August 1-3; Scott & Desiree Lerma - August 2nd, fee of \$25; second by Willis.

Roll Call Vote: Fockler, yes; Willis, yes; Butler, yes; Geiger, yes; McMillan, no. 4 yeas, 1 nay. Motion Carried.

- b. Tim/Kristine Knapp - Insurance Claim:
Request from Tim & Kristine Knapp for a portion of replacement cost for damage to their vehicle from a fallen tree on 6/30/14.
- c. Croswell United Methodist Church: Discussion of construction of sidewalk and no expansion joint. Mr. Newberry submitted estimate of \$3,700.

Three detailed estimate are needed. Will place on agenda when received.

- d. Sanilac County Treasurer - Tax Foreclosed Parcels:
Two parcels on the Sanilac County Tax Foreclosure list in Croswell - 15 Wells and 137 Anderson.

Discussion of 16 Wells, which is the Bricker Building on the corner of Wells and Brown.

Willis moved to send notice to Sanilac County Treasurer, Trudy M Nicol, the Foreclosing Governmental Unit, of Election to Purchase Foreclosed Property located at 16 Wells St., Croswell, MI to purchase for a public parking lot, City Council signs authority to the city agent for the purchase price, second by Butler.

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

- e. Croswell EMS Service Agreement:
Butler moved to approve the Emergency Medical Service Contract Agreement, with the 20142015 amount of \$30,747, second by Geiger. Motion Carried.
- f. MERS - Retiree COLA - Supplemental Valuation Request:
McMillan moved to request for Supplemental Valuation for Retirees - General Division 01 - 2% Retired 25 years or more; \$1/month retired less than 25 years;

Police Division 02 - \$1/month retired less than 25 years, second by Geiger. Motion Carried.

g. Staffing:

Status of staffing

- WWTP Supervisor - Already interviewed 2 candidates, will be interviewing 3 next week.
- Electric Supervisor - Will advertise back out to public with lineman certification preferred.

h. Opposing Nuclear Waste Repository - Resolution:

Fockler moved to approve Resolution #07-21-2014 Opposing the Construction of a Nuclear Waste Repository in the Great Lakes Basin, second by McMillan.

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

**City of Croswell
Resolution #07-21-2014**

Opposing the Construction of a Nuclear Waste Repository in the Great Lakes Basin

WHEREAS Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is proposing to construct a deep geologic repository (DGR) which is an underground long-term burial facility for all of Ontario's low and intermediate level radioactive nuclear waste at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station, some of which is highly radioactive and will remain toxic for over 100,000 years. This site is approximately one kilometre inland from the shore of Lake Huron and about 400 metres below the lake level;

WHEREAS water is the nation's and Canada's most important natural resource and should be protected and managed prudently;

WHEREAS the Great Lakes are an irreplaceable natural resource, containing twenty percent of the world's and ninety-five percent of the United States' fresh water vital to human and environmental health;

WHEREAS the Great Lakes are vital to the economic and agricultural well-being of both Canada and the United States of America;

WHEREAS Lake Huron and the connecting waters, including Lake St. Clair, are a source of drinking water for millions of people downstream in the United States of America, Canada, and First Nations;

WHEREAS concern has been expressed over the proposed OPG DGR by individuals, citizen and environmental groups, and municipalities and counties in both Canada and the United States;

WHEREAS under the *2012 Protocol Amending the Agreement Between Canada and the United States of America on Great Lakes Water Quality*, the governments of the United States and Canada acknowledge the importance of anticipating, preventing and responding to threats to the waters of the Great Lakes;

WHEREAS the Governments of Canada and of the United States share a responsibility and an obligation to protect the Great Lakes from contamination from various sources of pollution, including the potential leakage of radioactivity from an underground nuclear waste repository;

WHEREAS placing a permanent nuclear waste burial facility so close to the Great Lakes is ill-advised. The potential damage to the Great Lakes from any leak or breach of radioactivity far outweighs any suggested economic benefit that might be derived from burying radioactive nuclear waste at this site. The ecology of the Great Lakes, valuable beyond measure to the health and economic well-being of the entire region, should not be placed at risk by storing radioactive nuclear waste underground so close to the shoreline;

WHEREAS Michigan has significant experience with the the concerns for siting a radioactive waste disposal facility as the state went through an exhaustive siting process over twenty years ago and concluded there was no viable location for constructing such a facility.

WHEREAS the Michigan Senate has expressed serious concerns for the failure of the siting process in Ontario for the proposed OPG DGR to fully account for all potential impacts of the proposed facility by passing a legislative package urging intervention by the Great Lakes Commission, the International Joint Commission and a special legislatively created advisory Board. SB 948, SCR 16, SCR 17, SR 150 and SR 151 all have been passed unanimously by the Michigan Senate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Croswell, Michigan, in order to protect the Great Lakes and its tributaries, urges that neither this proposed nuclear waste repository at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station nor any other underground nuclear waste repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin in Canada, the United States, or any First Nation property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Croswell, Michigan, urges the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario to reject and seek alternatives to Ontario Power Generation's proposal to bury radioactive nuclear waste in the Great Lakes Basin. In addition, pursuant to SCR 16 and SR 151, the City of Croswell also urges President Obama to take all necessary steps to engage the International Joint Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be provided to Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne, Canadian Federal Minister of the Environment Leona Aglukkaq, the Great Lakes Commission, the International Joint Commission, Governors and legislative leaders of the eight Great Lakes states, Michigan Governor Rick Snyder, U.S. Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, U.S. Representative Candice Miller, Michigan State Senator Mike Green, and Michigan State Representative Paul Muxlow, as well as the Joint Review Panel Deep Geological Repository for Low and Intermediate Level Radioactive Waste (case reference #17520) Co-Manager Ms. Debra Myles.

CERTIFICATION

I, SUZANNE DOBSON, City Clerk of Croswell, do hereby certify that Resolution #07/21/2014 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 21nd day of July, 2014.

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

AYES: Fockler, McMillan, Butler, Willis, Geiger

NAYS: _____

Suzanne Dobson, CMMC
Croswell City Clerk

Michael McMillan, Mayor

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Candice Miller representative Ed Smith.

XI. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Willis moved to approve the Accounts Payable for the amount of \$326,668.77 and the bills be paid, second by Butler. Motion Carried.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business Mayor McMillan adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Suzanne Dobson, CMMC

Michael McMillan, Mayor