

The Crosswell City Council met in Regular Session July 20, 2015, at the Crosswell Community Center, 124 N. Howard Ave., Crosswell, MI. Mayor McMillan called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

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

Absent: John Geiger

Administration: City Administrator Sam Moore, City Clerk Suzanne Dobson

Guests: Denise Slone, Jeremy McClellan, McEy & Elwyn Neaves, Heather Thorton, Tom & Linda McClellan, Jeffersonian Reporter Margaret Whitmer

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from the Regular Council Meeting of June 29, 2015
Butler moved to approve the minutes of June 29, 2015 as presented, second by Willis.
Motion Carried.

III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Add item e. Fire Chief Wages under New Business.

Butler moved to approve the agenda as amended, second by Fockler. Motion Carried.

V. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a. Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program - EMS: EMS has been awarded a \$23,777 grant to upgrade the cardiac monitors. Butler moved to receive and file, second by Fockler. Motion Carried.
- b. Ordinance Review Committee minutes June 25, 2015: Willis moved to receive and file, second by Butler. Motion Carried.
- c. Parks & Recreation minutes - May 18, 2105: Fockler moved to receive and file, second by Willis. Motion Carried.
- d. Cemetery Minutes - July 14, 2015: Butler moved to receive and file, second by Willis. Motion Carried.
- e. Security Credit Union Grand Opening Invite: Grand Opening for Security Credit Union is July 22nd. Butler moved to receive and file, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

VI. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- Construction on N. Howard moving along - goal for ending date is Labor Day
- MMEA Energy Optimization

VII. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT:**

- A. McMillan: Will comment last
- B. Willis: No Report
- C. Geiger: Absent

- D. Butler: No report
- E. Fockler: 1. River Bank cleaning; Gaige, Ward and Wells at Crosswell Rd. need the grass cut on the ends; Parklets; Railroad Crossings are rough except for Sanborn and Ward; There is a boat parked on Depot Dr. blocking view; Recreational Park - passed out the plans from 2009; Boat Launch would be better at Harrington Park; New lines to be painted on downtown area of N. Howard.
- A. McMillan: Atmosphere of Council & Employees; No weak link employees; lowest budget transfer; downtown has been re-done; new innovative lighting installed; better culture; park improvements.

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

IX. **NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Festival:

1. Fireworks Permit: Butler moved to approve the fireworks for the Swinging Bridge Festival for August 1, 2015, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

2. Road Closure: Butler moved to approve the road closures for the Swinging Bridge Festival for July 31 and August 1, 2015, as presented, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

3. McEy Neaves: Looking for Volunteers to help the days of the festival. Will pass schedule to city employees.

b. Liaison Officer Agreement:

Butler moved to approve the Liaison Officer Agreement for the 2015/2016 School year as presented, second by McMillan.

Roll Call Vote: Butler, yes; McMillan, yes; Willis, yes; Fockler, yes. 4 yeas 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion Carried.

LIAISON OFFICER AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 20th day of July, 2015, by and between Crosswell-Lexington Community Schools, whose address is 5407 E. Peck Road (hereinafter referred to as "the District"), and the City of Crosswell, whose address is 100 N. Howard Avenue, (hereinafter referred to as "the City").

1. **WHEREAS** Crosswell-Lexington Community Schools requests one Liaison Police Officer for the 2015-2016 school year for the High School and

2. **WHEREAS** the City of Croswell approved at its July 20, 2015, City Council meeting entering into a contract with the District for a School Liaison Police Officer with a 70/30 split with the pay rate/benefits of the officer assigned.

THEREFORE Croswell-Lexington Community Schools contracts with the City of Croswell for the services of one Liaison Police Officer for the 2015-2016 school years. The officer is expected to work 8 hours per day for the District each day school is in session. Supervision of evening events may be included in the 8-hour day. For such services, the District agrees to pay the City 70% of the amount equal to the payroll and benefits of the officer in place working 2,080 hours per year.

THIS AGREEMENT may be renewed each school year by mutual consent of the District and the City. Either party reserves the right to terminate the above agreement upon one (1) month written notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto enter into this agreement on the day and year first above written.

WITNESSED:

City of Croswell

_____ By: _____

_____ Its: _____

Croswell-Lexington Community Schools

_____ By: _____

_____ Its: _____

- c. EMS - wages: Add language for one (1) year trial period.
McMillan moved to approve the Croswell E.M.S. Employee Agreement for one year, second by Butler.

Roll Call Vote: McMillan, yes; Butler, yes; Fockler, yes; Willis, yes. 4 yeas, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion Carried.

- d. Renewable Energy Plan & Energy Optimization Plant - Public Comments:
Mayor McMillan asked for any public comments on the City's Amended Renewable Energy Plan and the Energy Optimization Plan.

No comments received.

e. Fire Chief Wages:

Willis moved to approve wage increase for the Fire Chief - effective 7/1/15 - 4%; 7/1/16 - 2.5%; 7/1/17 - 2.5%, second by Butler.

Roll Call Vote: Willis, yes; Butler, yes; Fockler, yes; McMillan, yes. 4 yeas, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion Carried.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Heather Thorton - In support of campground

Elwyn Neaves - City equipment used for N. Howard project.

Jeremy McClellan - Important for Council to be at public events; also in support of campground.

XI. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

McMillan moved to approve the Accounts Payable for the amount of \$470,815.03 and the bills be paid, second by Willis. Motion Carried.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business Mayor McMillan adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Suzanne Dobson, CMMC
Croswell City Clerk

Michael McMillan, Mayor