

Truman City Council Minutes
February 2, 2026

The regular meeting of the Truman City Council was duly held at the Municipal Building Fire Hall Meeting Room on the 2nd day of February 2026 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jake Ebert, Councilors Ron Kelley, Chris Mosloski, Danielle Williams, and Chad Truax.

Absent: None.

Staff present: City Clerk/Treasurer Melissa Sirovy, Deputy Clerk/Utility Billing Specialist Carol Becker, Public Works Superintendent Brent Brown, Wayne Wiederhoeft Street Department.

Also present: Patty Truax, Troy Nemmers Bolton & Menk, Rachael Jaeger Truman Tribune.

Mayor Jake Ebert presided over the meeting, beginning at 5:30 p.m., opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda/Additions or Changes

C & B property was added to old business. **Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Truax to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes - motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting

Motion made by Truax, seconded by Kelley to approve minutes of the January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

Public Comment

Patty Truax reported that another lifeguard has applied to work at the pool. Vending machines are available for pool concessions, except ice cream which will be sold separately. Only the pop machine can be placed outside, for sales when the pool is closed.

Martin County Sheriff's Department Update

No officers were present.

Bolton & Menk TH 15 Sidewalk Task Order

Troy Nemmers with Bolton & Menk reviewed a task order for construction administration of the TH 15 sidewalk project for \$45,000. MNDOT covers a portion of the cost. The project is expected to go out for bids next month. Neighborhood meetings will be held. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve the task order for construction administration. All ayes – motion carried.**

Public Works Business

Superintendent Brent Brown asked about having a realtor market the Jones Subdivision lots to provide online advertising. The fee would be incurred at sale time. The council was in favor of looking into the idea. An interested contractor has requested 24" x 36" drawings of the lots. Bolton & Menk will be asked to print 3 scale drawings of each lot.

Seasonal hiring was discussed. John Bosshart is willing to work on an as-needed basis to help with training and miscellaneous work. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve having Bosshart work as-needed at Step 8 of the Public Works Maintenance classification. All ayes – motion carried.** Mike Heckman’s wage as part-time lineman is at Step 8 on the Journeyman wage scale and is adjusted annually for cost of living. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve the classification. All ayes – motion carried.** Discussion followed regarding a seasonal 1000 hour lineman hire at \$27.04. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve hiring for the seasonal position at \$27.04 per hour. All ayes – motion carried.**

A meter froze at the wastewater plant causing damage to piping and a backflow preventer. A temperature alarm will be added to the building. The boiler at the municipal building is failing and obsolete. A quote to replace it is pending. Discussion was held regarding plowing the service road to the dollar store and Profinium. Businesses along the road will be consulted to discuss where to pile the snow. It was requested that a trencher and plow be designated as surplus equipment and to approve the purchase of a Ditch Witch. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to designate the plow and trencher as surplus equipment to sell, and to approve the purchase of a Ditch Witch. All ayes – motion carried.**

Approval of Claims

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve payment of claims. All ayes – motion carried. Approved claims totaled \$52,159.80. Checks #43443 - #43445, #43481 - #43498, ACH #1258E - #1264E, and #502103E.

Old Business

Mayor Ebert advised that the donation to the pool that was approved at the last meeting to be used toward 2025 pool repairs will instead be carried forward for repair work in 2026 at the family’s request.

Property was sold to C & B Operations on December 4, 2023, with the stipulation that the property must be developed within three years. The city attorney will be directed to send a letter to explain the terms of the covenant once he provides documentation to the city.

New Business

None.

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to adjourn. All ayes – motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Melissa Sirovy, City Clerk/Treasurer