

Truman City Council Minutes
February 20, 2024

The regular meeting was duly held at the Municipal Building Council Chambers on the 20th day of February, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Councilors Chris Mosloski, Brian Nickerson, and Ron Kelley.

Absent: Mayor Jake Ebert and Councilor Patty Truax.

Staff present: Street Superintendent John Bosshart, Utility Foreman Brent Brown, City Clerk/Treasurer Melissa Sirovy, Utility Billing Specialist/Deputy Clerk Carol Becker, Interim Police Chief Mike Schutz.

Also present: Terry Theobald, Brooke Wohlrabe Fairmont Sentinel, Joseph Kreiss Truman Tribune.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brian Nickerson presided over the meeting, beginning at 5:30 p.m., opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda/Additions or Changes

Items added to the agenda: Update on Age Friendly Minnesota grant for Community Building.
Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve the agenda with the addition. All ayes - motion carried.

Approve Minutes of Emergency and Regular Meetings

Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Kelley to approve minutes of the February 2, 2024 Emergency Meeting and the February 5, 2024 Regular Meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

Public Comment

Terry Theobald, owner of the former grocery store building at 141 West Ciro, asked about snow removal from behind business properties. Snow is to be removed by the property owner.

MNDOT Grant Application and Residential Development

Troy Nemmers with Bolton & Menk reviewed the grant application submitted to MNDOT to fund a sidewalk on Highway 15 through their Local Partnership Program. The estimated project cost is \$509,840. Awards will be announced in March. If the project is funded, construction in the right of way would take place in 2025. An update on the residential development project was provided. A utility meeting will be held next week to engage local providers for planning purposes. A storm water pond will be required and an approximate location was selected based on elevations. Trees and other debris remain on the property for the contractor to remove per the project bid. The preliminary and final plat will be completed in April, and the project is expected to be ready to go to bid at that time. The council was asked to decide on a name for the subdivision.

Utility Department Business

Utility Foreman Brent Brown updated the council regarding remaining utilities provided to the school ball field. Water and lighting provided to the property cost an estimated \$3,300 annually. Further discussion will take place at the next council meeting.

Approval of Claims

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve payment of claims. All ayes – motion carried. Approved claims totaled \$194,704.93. Checks #41738 - #41769, ACH #760E - #771E, #501298E and #501300E.

Old Business

Deputy Clerk Carol Becker provided information on an AFMN grant application submitted for the Community Building.

New Business

Street Superintendent John Bosshart reviewed an estimate from Watsons. Approval was given to purchase the stool recommended by Watsons and city staff will install.

The rate schedule for township fire contracts was provided for review prior to an upcoming work session with township officials and the fire department.

Mayor Pro-Tem Nickerson updated the council regarding the MN Para lease. He met with them recently to discuss concerns and the lease has been signed.

Superintendent Bosshart asked for a status update for removal of the stumps that were dumped at the city brush site rather than on the neighboring property. Councilor Nickerson will speak to the contractor to have them moved.

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to adjourn. All ayes – motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Melissa Sirovy, City Clerk /Treasurer