

A work session of the Truman City Council was held on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 5:04 p.m.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brownlee. Present: Ebert, Hendricksen, Mosloski, and Nickerson.

Also present were: Taylor Varpness, Brent Brown, Michael Rhey, John Bosshart, and Bethanie Ekstrom.

2. 2020 UTILITY BUDGET

Discussion was held on CIP budget amount for commercial. It was told that it is going in CIP and coming out of load management. Talked about dropping electrical rates by 3-3 ½%. Through a rate study can see where to set the rate. The rate study when presented to the Council is only a recommendation.

Looking at raising water/sewer rates and lowering electrical amounted to an average of \$10.00 (average household would be a \$13.00 difference). A 3% reduction on electrical rates and getting rid of the Production Cost Adder (PCA). A motion was made by Ebert, seconded by Mosloski to approve of getting rid of the PCA charge, which would increase base rate to equalize our bills effective April 1st for March billing.

A motion was made by Ebert, seconded by Mosloski to adopt a resolution to increase water rates 22.3% and sewer rates 22.15%. All ayes – carried

A motion was made by Msoloski, seconded by Nickerson to decrease electric rates by 3%. All ayes – carried

A motion was made by Ebert, seconded by Hendricksen to approve the 2020 Utility Budget. All ayes – carried.

3. CITY HEALTH INSURANCE

Discussion was held on the city health insurance for employees. It was brought up that Bethanie can't go on Union. Looked over premiums for vision and dental along with family health insurance coverage. Need to see costs of what premiums would be for employee if the city went with paying 80% of health, vision, and dental. Will look at this again.

4. UTILITY CLAIM

A motion was made by Hendricksen, seconded by Nickerson to pay utility claim for 2020 Water Permit. CK #2639 \$232.55 All ayes – carried.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Espeland was in attendance regarding snow removal in the back of the old Police Dept. Wanted to know if they could not pile the snow on the lot he owns next to it. Street Supt. Bosshart said he would take care of that and not pile there anymore. Also Mr. Espeland talked about the abstract for that lot getting updated. He will have to take care of that.

Mr. Espeland also bought the lots across the street from the City (used to be Olson Furniture/Golden Sun Feed lots). They have a capped well and he needs a certificate to show a map where the well is before he can transfer in his name. City will contact Monte Rohman and see if he can help us with this part.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- Was brought to the attention of the Council that the purchase of the compost dump site from Larry Krenz additional land boundaries were missing from the agreement.
- Brian Nickerson talked to a couple landowners regarding City purchasing for a new subdivision and looking at increasing campgrounds site. Asking for a decision of selling on these two projects. Will get back to the Council.

7. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Nickerson, seconded by Ebert to adjourn. All ayes – carried.
Time – 6:15 p.m.

Sherry Hansen for
Bethanie Ekstrom
City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer