

A special meeting of the Truman City Council was held February 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brownlee.

Present: Councilors Hendricksen, Mosloski
Absent: Councilor Ebert, Nickerson

The purpose of the special meeting was to meet jointly with the township officials and the fire department for an annual update on the department.

1. ANNUAL MEETING WITH TOWNSHIPS AND FIRE

There were three officers present from each township (Westford, Waverly and Nashville). Several firefighters were present too.

Fire Chief Dave Bentz gave a review of the years activities in the department. Update was given on the recently purchased fire engine truck. The truck performed really well recently at the large elevator fire in Northrop. He also reported on the \$130,000 in grants that were obtained in 2017 to help purchase new equipment including new air paks.

Assistant Chief Ron Kelley gave a report on the 1977 Chevrolet grass rig they received for free from the DNR. This rig is not on the list of equipment to fund in the future as it belongs to the DNR and hopefully will be replaced by another used DNR rig in the future. The fire relief association spent \$1,500 to add a generator pump to the rig.

Spent some time discussing the billing rates for fire calls. Currently the charge is \$1,000 per run. Bentz gave the rates for other towns in the area. The truck replacement fund had \$22,874.82 in it at the end of 2017. The council is trying to build that fund faster for large truck purchases in the next several years. Chief Bentz will bring a proposal to the council in the future to address billing rates after meeting with the townships at their annual meetings on March 13.

City Clerk Monte Rohman then gave a presentation on the township fire contracts and their donations to the truck replacement fund. The city council would like to see them increase the donation from \$25 per section annually to \$50 per section annually. The city will be increasing their donation by an additional \$1,000 this year from \$5,000 to \$6,000 annually. The increase for the townships would be \$1,975 annually. Waverly and Nashville townships were OK with the idea. Westford township officials said they would have to run it by their annual meeting first.

2. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned. Time: 8:00 p.m.

Monte Rohman, Clerk