

Truman City Council Minutes
November 17, 2025

The regular meeting of the Truman City Council was duly held at the Municipal Building Fire Hall Meeting Room on the 17th day of November, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jake Ebert, Councilors Chris Mosloski, Ron Kelley, 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.

Also present: Kevin Kristenson County Commissioner, Dave Schmidt CEDA, 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

Labor Negotiations and the School Crosswalk were added to the agenda. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes - motion carried.**

Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting

Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Kelley to approve minutes of the November 3, 2025, Regular Meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

Public Comment

None.

Dave Schmidt CEDA Contract

The proposed contract with Community and Economic Development Associates was reviewed by council. Councilor Williams asked about a grant CEDA wrote for the city whereby the city incurred a substantial charge from Bolton & Menk, concerned that it could happen again. Schmidt assured council it would not. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve the one-year contract with CEDA, to begin January 1, 2026, for \$16,400.00. All ayes – motion carried.** A meeting will be scheduled in December to develop a work plan.

IBEW Labor Negotiations

Mayor Ebert called for the meeting to go into closed session at 5:35 p.m. regarding labor negotiations with IBEW, per Statute 13D.03. The closed session was recorded.

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to come out of closed session at 5:46 p.m. All ayes - motion carried.

Public Works Business

Street Superintendent John Bosshart submitted a letter of resignation for his pending retirement effective December 31, 2025. Public Works Superintendent Brent Brown recommended the city hire Ryan Shell in the Public Works Maintenance position, beginning at Step 1 on the pay scale, and to require he obtain his CDL within 3 months of his start date, pending class availability. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve hiring Ryan Shell as proposed. All ayes – motion carried.**

As part of the Highway 15 sidewalk project, MNDOT is proposing to install a crosswalk flasher, with the \$40,000 cost split 50/50 with the city. The city would be responsible for repair and maintenance going forward. Following discussion, council agreed to the plan for installation of the flasher. An agreement between the city and MNDOT will be brought to an upcoming meeting for council approval.

Resolution 2025-47 to Accept October Donations

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to adopt Resolution 2025-47 to accept donations received in October 2025. 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 \$178,890.73. Checks #43241 - #43279, #43281 - #43284, ACH #1206E - #1215E, and #502009E.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Councilor Mosloski conveyed concern over vehicles running the stop sign by the main entrance of the school, should flashing stop signs be added to the intersection. It was noted the existing sign is often obscured when vehicles park on the yellow right up to the corner. Mayor Ebert will investigate the parking concerns and Superintendent Brown will obtain the cost for flashing signs for further discussion.

Councilor Truax shared a resident's concern over the number of unlicensed dogs and cats in town. Staff will publicize city regulations that require pet registration and licensing to alert pet owners. On another matter, Councilor Truax questioned if the city will be plowing the school parking lot this winter. Mayor Ebert felt the city should only plow the road running alongside the parking lot. Following discussion, it was decided to plow the lot until information is gathered on the location of city streets and easements in that area.

Martin County Commissioner Kevin Kristenson shared information about opioid settlement funds received by the county that will be used for training of area fire and ambulance departments.

Motion made by Williams, seconded by Truax to adjourn. All ayes – motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.