

Truman City Council Minutes
December 15, 2025

The regular meeting of the Truman City Council was duly held at the Municipal Building Fire Hall Meeting Room on the 15th day of December 2025 beginning at 4:30 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, Street Superintendent John Bosshart, Fire Chief Brandon Mosloski, Ambulance Director Josh Kitzerow.

Also present: Troy Nemmers Bolton & Menk, Dave Schmidt CEDA, Rachael Jaeger Truman Tribune.

Mayor Jake Ebert presided over the meeting, beginning at 4:30 p.m., opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda/Additions or Changes

Resolution 2025-52 added to the agenda. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes - motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting

Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Kelley to approve minutes of the December 1, 2025, Regular Meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

Public Comment

John Bosshart addressed the council, thanking the city for his employment the past 33 years.

Martin County Sheriff Department Report

Not present.

Fire Department Officer Appointments

Fire Chief Brandon Mosloski announced the fire department officer appointments for 2026: Chief Brandon Mosloski, First Assistant Ron Kelley, Second Assistant Josh Kitzerow, Captains Chad Truax, Sam Mendenhall, Dan Grunig, Bryan Andrews, Safety Officer Tricia Brevig, Secretary Kaleena Wiens. **Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Williams to approve the 2026 fire department officer appointments. All ayes – motion carried.** Mosloski requested the city clear snow behind the fire hall and the front sidewalk for emergency access. Truck repair and maintenance costs were discussed due to ongoing valve problems. Ideas to help with the problem included using treated water, using additives, replacing plastic butterfly valves with brass ball valves. Mosloski is working with the vendor to find a solution.

Ambulance Department Officer Appointments

Ambulance Director Josh Kitzerow announced 2026 officer appointments: Director Josh Kitzerow, Assistant Matt Lange, Captains Ramona Weihe, Barb Kubly, Brandi Stohs, Secretary Josh Tonkin. **Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Truax to approve the officer appoints for 2026. All ayes – motion carried.**

Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Truax to adopt Resolution 2025-52 to support submission of a budget and work plan to obtain an Office of Emergency Medical Services Grant for \$35,845.28. All Ayes – motion carried.

Dave Schmidt Community and Economic Development Associates

CEDA will draft a work plan to create action items and priorities for 2026. It was recommended that two members of the council act as liaisons between the council and CEDA going forward. It was decided that council members will email ideas and goals to Schmidt to develop the work plan. Amber Patten will begin contract work in January.

Troy Nemmers Bolton & Menk

The final draft of the Cooperative Construction Agreement with MnDot for the Highway 15 sidewalk project was reviewed. Mayor Ebert asked when they would meet with property owners to discuss the project. Nemmers said the city could decide how they want that to be done. A letter could be drafted, and a map provided, although all the work is taking place in the right of way. The cooperative agreement states the city will be responsible for repairs and maintenance of the sidewalk and crosswalks. City ordinance delegates the responsibility for sidewalks to property owners. Brandon Mosloski asked if Boekett could add concrete in front of their building as part of the project so it is one concrete pad with the sidewalk, with rebar added. Nemmers will work with him regarding the request. **Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Truax to adopt the resolution to approve execution of Contract No. 1060163 with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for the Highway 15 sidewalk project. All ayes – motion carried.**

The final pay request #2 from Holtmeier Construction for \$35,849.05 for the campground expansion project was reviewed for council approval. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Williams to approve pay request #2 to Holtmeier Construction. All ayes – motion carried.**

Nemmers reviewed a Master Agreement for Professional Services from Bolton & Menk for 2026 and 2027. The previous agreement expires at the end of the year. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve the agreement for professional services as proposed. All ayes – motion carried.**

Mayor Ebert had asked Nemmers about providing scale drawings of homes on lots at Jones Subdivision to help with marketing. Various details were discussed and Nemmers will begin working on the drawings.

Public Works Business

Public Works Superintendent Brent Brown reviewed utility budgets that were provided to council at the previous meeting. Proposed rates built into the budgets were also reviewed. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve updated utility rates for 2026 as proposed. All ayes – motion carried. Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Williams to approve the water, wastewater and electric budgets as proposed. All ayes – motion carried.**

Flashing stop signs for the intersection by the school were briefly discussed and tabled, with no resolution to the parking concerns yet.

Brown advised council that the Christmas decorations are in poor condition and should be replaced soon. There are 18 placed on the highway and 12 downtown. Pricing will be obtained. They may be replaced gradually as funding allows.

Pricing for a new plow is pending from a different dealer. Information will be shared when received.

Council was informed that the city was not awarded the tree grant applied for.

Review proposed 2026 Budget and Levy

Council reviewed the proposed 2026 budgets, looking for ways to save money to reduce the tax levy. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to adopt Resolution 2025-48 to approve the 2025 tax levy payable in 2026 of \$768,514.00. All ayes – motion carried. Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve the 2026 City budgets as proposed. All ayes – motion carried.**

Truman Tavern Liquor License Renewal

Motion made by Truax, seconded by Williams to approve renewal of Truman Tavern's On-Sale, Off-Sale, and Sunday liquor licenses, pending receipt of paperwork and payment of fees. All ayes – motion carried.

Resolution 2025-49 Authorizing Transfer and Loan Payments

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Williams to adopt Resolution 2025-49 to authorize the transfer of funds and repayment of interfund loans. All ayes – motion carried.

Resolution 2025-51 to Accept Donations

Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Kelley to adopt Resolution 2025-51 to accept donations received. All ayes – motion carried.

Approve November Financial Statements

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve November Financial Statements as presented. 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 \$216,867.84. Checks #43316 - #43371, ACH #1224E - #1235E, #502035E and #502045E.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Kelley to approve an increase to \$63 per month beginning January 2026 for Brenda Hansen for managing the city website. All ayes – motion carried.

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Williams to approve a rate increase for the cleaning contract with Step Inc. to \$17.85 per hour as of January 1, 2026. All ayes – motion carried.

Council approved closure of the city office on Friday, December 26th at the preference of staff .

**Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Williams to adjourn. All ayes – motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.**

Melissa Sirovy, City Clerk/Treasurer