

Truman City Council Minutes
February 17, 2026

The regular meeting of the Truman City Council was duly held at the Municipal Building Fire Hall Meeting Room on the 17th day of February 2026 beginning at 5:30 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, Fire Chief Brandon Mosloski, Ambulance Director Josh Kitzerow.

Also present: Amber Patten CEDA, Lynn Brownlee Active Living, Faith Clow, 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

Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Truax to approve the agenda. All ayes - motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Williams to approve minutes of the February 2, 2026 Regular Meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

Public Comment

Lynn Brownlee spoke on behalf of Truman Active Living to ask about having neighborhood gatherings at Graf Park, asking about the availability of water service. Superintendent Brent Brown will work with the group to have water services available.

Martin County Sheriff's Department Update

No officers were present.

Fire Department Business

Fire Chief Brandon Mosloski recommended approval to hire Chris Anderson. He has training and experience from another department. Anderson will use a used set of turnout gear. Mosloski plans to order four sets of gear this year, each costing approximately \$4,500. **Motion made by Mosloski, seconded by Williams to approve hiring Chris Anderson. All ayes – motion carried.** The department will be hosting a meeting with township officials and the city council on February 23rd to review fire service agreements. The proposed rate schedule was provided for reference.

Ambulance Department Business

Director Josh Kitzerow recommended approval to hire three new members of the department; Chris Anderson, who is an EMT, Jamie Anderson, and Rachael Jaeger. The department currently has 16 members, two are first responders. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve the hiring recommendation. All ayes – motion carried.**

CEDA Update

Amber Patten provided an update of items she is working on as part of the service contract with Truman. An area city received funding from the state from a direct spending bill with the help of Representative Brad Finstad. With the council's consent, Patten will investigate this funding opportunity. Patten advised the Schwans building is for sale through a broker. The broker's marketing material was shared with the council. Patten will investigate ways to assist with marketing the property. Ideas to help facilitate the sale were discussed. Patten provided marketing material for the lots at Jones Subdivision. Exit Realty was contacted to inquire about their commission rate to sell the lots. The cost is 4% of the sale price, or \$3,000, whichever is greater. Council agreed with the proposal, and Patten will contact Exit Realty to begin marketing the lots. In further discussion, it was agreed that modular homes with permanent foundations would be acceptable in the development, but tiny homes would not. Buyers must begin construction within one year. Patten will explore grant opportunities for turnout gear for the fire department.

Ridgelawn Cemetery

Faith Clow addressed the council regarding problems she's had with finding a marker for an existing monument at Ridgelawn. It was paid for some time ago and the first one received did not match. The right one finally came in and Clow asked for the city to cover the cost of the marker due to the extended delay and distress it caused. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to pay for the \$285 scroll using fund from perpetual care. All ayes – motion carried.**

Public Works Business

Superintendent Brent Brown advised the council of surplus equipment that could be sold on MN Bid; the cage from the squad car, a toolbox and tools. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to declare the equipment as surplus to be sold at auction. All ayes – motion carried.**

Brown recommended moving forward with the purchase of a Miller Selner 22' plow, along with servicing the payloader during installation. Reserve funds for the plow should cover everything. **Motion made by Truax, seconded by Kelley to approve buying the plow and having the loader serviced as proposed. All ayes – motion carried.** A snowblower for the loader will be considered for the 2027 budget.

Bid opening for the Highway 15 sidewalk project will be on March 11th. Brandon Mosloski said Boekett hasn't heard from engineers regarding their parking lot. Brown will reach out to have Bolton & Menk contact him.

A contractor is looking for a place to take backwash water from a well project. Brown recommended the city take the treated water at a proposed rate of \$37 per 1000 gallons. Loads would be brought in as directed by the city, so it doesn't overwhelm the system. **Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to approve the proposal. All ayes – motion carried.**

Resolution 2026-09 to Approve Assignment of Equity

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to adopt Resolution 2026-09 to approve assignment of equity, effective December 31, 2025. All ayes – motion carried.

Approve Consumption and Display License

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Mosloski to approve renewal of a consumption and display license for China House Café. 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 \$203,426.84. Checks #43499 - #43528, ACH #1265E - #1273E, and #502113E.

Old Business

Council was informed that the grant application to the League Grant Navigator program was denied, stating they cannot reimburse for costs already incurred.

New Business

Township fire contracts were reviewed. Formal approval will take place at the March 2nd council meeting.

Mayor Ebert asked about city noise ordinances that pertain to the M-1 Industrial district. The city clerk will research the matter.

Complaints have been received regarding offensive signs on a residential property near Graf Park. Law enforcement has been contacted. The city attorney will be consulted for guidance if needed.

The Carlson property, which was restored by the city following a house fire, has been damaged by the adjacent property owner. A letter will be sent to have them repair the yard to its prior condition.

The city clerk was asked to obtain an update on the Habitat for Humanity project.

Motion made by Kelley, seconded by Truax to adjourn. All ayes – motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Melissa Sirovy, City Clerk/Treasurer