Truman City Council Work Session September 26, 2022

A Truman City Council Work Session was held at the Municipal Building Council Chambers on the 26th day of September, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Terry Bentele, Councilor Patty Truax, and Councilor Brian Nickerson.

Absent: Councilor Brandon Mosloski and Councilor Jake Ebert.

Staff present: Utility Foreman Brent Brown, Street Superintendent John Bosshart, Police Chief Justin Jobe, City Clerk/Treasurer Melissa Sirovy, Utility Billing Specialist/Deputy Clerk Carol Becker.

The work session was called to order to discuss expansion of the campground.

Funds in reserve for the project total \$133,525. Utility Foreman Brown provided material cost estimates based on the current plan. For 27 sites proposed, water infrastructure material is estimated at \$22,000, sewer infrastructure material \$35,000, and electric material \$50,000. Installation of water and sewer is estimated at \$83,000. Roads and dirt work, signs, and a culvert bring the total estimated cost to approximately \$300,000. Cost savings could be obtained by adding a dump station rather than individual sewer connections, or by adding fewer sites now with more added later. There is concern about additional maintenance work that would be required, how much that might cost, and who would have time to do that work. There is \$22,000 held in reserve for other projects that could be used for the expansion if those projects are unlikely to be done. Other items discussed included finding ways to draw people to Truman to use the campground, having some permanent sites available, if rates would be increased to help pay for the cost of expansion, and how to better publicize the campground. Brown estimated a reduced number of sites would cost closer to \$200,000. Firm cost estimates can be obtained once elevations have been determined.

Further discussion will place at the upcoming council meeting to make a decision on how to proceed.

Motion made by Truax, seconded by Nickerson to adjourn. All ayes – motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Melissa Sirovy, City Clerk/Treasurer