

The regular meeting of the Truman City Council was held October 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brownlee.

Present: Councilors Ebert, Hendricksen, Mosloski, Nickerson

Absent: None

1. MINUTES

A motion was made by Mosloski, seconded by Ebert to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held September 18, 2017. All yeas - carried.

2. MARTIN COUNTY EDA

Several board members and staff from Martin County EDA were present to discuss what services they have available to our community for economic development. They handed out packets of information that they give to prospective businesses. They are a resource to help facilitate projects and help with gap financing.

3. QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Ambulance Director Jessy Clow said the number of ambulance runs are down so far. There are six local residents taking the EMT training class. They will ride along on calls during the training. Rig 1 was out of service for a warranty repair.

Street Superintendent John Bosshart reported on the street department. He ordered a new tire for the Ford tractor tire that is blown before the tractor is put up for sale soon. They jetted 5,000 feet of storm sewer in September and the lines were pretty clean. They are starting to sweep leaves from the streets and winterizing bathrooms. Bosshart is checking on a concrete patch for concrete streets. The department will trim trees this winter with PUC crew.

Police Chief Justin Jobe presented the police report. Burglaries at the public school and St. Paul's church and school along with three others were solved last week with the arrest of two individuals. There will be a mock crash exercise on Wednesday at the public school focusing on distracted driving. He was asked to watch stop sign violations. There was a recent Chevy Blazer DWI forfeiture. He discussed ordering the new squad car in November for delivery in February or March.

4. AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 506.03 A COUNTY LICENSE REQUIRED AND 506.03 C, 15, PROOF OF COUNTY LICENSE - ORDINANCE NO. 2017-3

A motion was made by Ebert, seconded by Hendricksen to adopt Ordinance No. 2017-3. All yeas - carried.

This ordinance removes the need to have a county license for peddler's and transient merchants.

5. CITY CLAIMS

A motion was made by Ebert, seconded by Hendricksen to approve the city claims:

General Account	#35889-35904	\$51,728.49
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All yeas - carried.

6. TRUMAN CLINIC OWNERSHIP

John Detloff and Pat Rafferty from Heartland Senior Management and Melissa Engelby from Profinium were present to discuss the deed error on the Truman Clinic property that was inadvertently deeded along with the nursing home property in 1994 to Lutheran Retirement Home. This was discovered in 2012 and the city and nursing home have been working to correct this issue. Heartland Senior Living is purchasing the nursing home effective January 2 and has proposed a ground lease to be a quick fix to the issue. City Attorney Jim Wilson said it would cost too much to have it deeded to the city and to try and deal with the lenders to free up the property from collateral. The recent survey of the clinic property was presented. Several comments were made from the city council with concerns that the city wants control of the property and that a ground lease was a band aid with no assurance of long-term ownership. Heartland will be looking for property tax relief after obtaining the property. The purchase will also reduce interest costs and upgrades will reduce electric costs. Wilson said he would continue working on the ground lease for presentation to the council at a later date.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

Discussed the idea of hiring a student for the ice rink supervisor position.

Had a quarterly review of city council goals.

Reviewed two different job descriptions for the city clerk position and decided to use the city administrator/clerk-treasurer model. The hiring process will begin in March.

8. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mosloski, seconded by Hendricksen to adjourn. All yeas - carried. Time: 7:13 p.m.

Monte Rohman, Clerk