

The regular meeting of the Truman City Council was held November 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brownlee

Present: Councilors Hendricksen, Mosloski, Nickerson
Absent: Ebert

1. MINUTES

A motion was made by Hendricksen, seconded by Nickerson to approve the minutes of the special meeting held October 15, 2018. All yeas - carried.

A motion was made by Mosloski, seconded by Brownlee to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held October 23, 2018. All yeas - carried.

A motion was made by Mosloski, seconded by Nickerson to approve the minutes of the work session held October 30, 2018. All yeas - carried.

2. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dave Bentz proposed simplifying the fire department payroll to a flat rate of \$9.50 HR for the 2019 year. Nickerson thought this was a good idea so that everyone is on the same page. Bentz added that by having a flat rate in the event of a situation with FEMA they would be more likely to be reimbursed. Bentz also had the question of billing for water as the fire department is being billed for water from the Public Utilities. Bentz asked if there was a set rate for water. Hendricksen stated that there isn't a set rate as it varies.

A motion was made by Nickerson, seconded by Hendricksen to approve of the flat hourly rate of \$9.50 for 2019. All yeas - carried.

A motion was made by Nickerson, seconded by Hendricksen to approve of the Fire Department billing for 2019. All yeas - carried.

3. ACTIVE LIVING

Marilyn Carrigan presented on the idea of revamping the tennis courts into pickle ball courts. She left a packet of information with the council to review.

4. SALE OF EQUIPMENT

John Bosshart presented the auction results.

A motion was made by Mosloski, seconded by Nickerson to sell the equipment. All yeas - carried.

Bosshart also asked about the status of raising the garage door. Ekstrom stated that contractors have been contacted and we are waiting on bids. Mosloski added that due to the storms earlier this year many contractors are behind schedule. Bosshart would like citizens to be reminded that sump pumps should not be draining in the streets during winter months. Bosshart also noted that the loader is not on the capital improvement plan. Mosloski asked Bosshart to research its value and if we would be better to sell it now or to sell it in the future.

5. VARIANCE REQUEST

A motion was made by Hendricksen, seconded by Nickerson to approve the variance request for Lot 11, Block 4, Davis Park addition. All yeas - carried.

6. REZONING REQUEST

A citizen voiced their concern and questions as to if a building would be put on the property to contain equipment or if equipment and debris would be sitting in the open. The property owner was not present so the request was tabled.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Debbie Neitzke spoke on behalf of concerned citizens. They feel that the city council needs to be held accountable and be included in decisions that are happening with the Public Utilities Commission (PUC).

8. RESOLUTION 2018-8 GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

A motion was made by Hendricksen, seconded by Nickerson to approve the General Election results. All yeas - carried.

9. INVESTING LAND SALE PROCEEDS

Ekstrom stated that the proceeds are currently in the city checking account. Ekstrom and Rohman have met with a banker and were provided rates for CD's and other investments. Mosloski added that we should invest a portion of the monies. Ekstrom will schedule for a financial planner to attend our next council meeting.

10. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF THE CABLE SYSTEM AND FRANCHISE IN THE CITY OF TRUMAN, MINNESOTA

A motion was made by Mosloski, seconded by Hendricksen to approve the cable system transfer to Bevcomm. All yeas - carried.

11. CITY CLAIMS

A motion was made by Mosloski, seconded by Nickerson to approve the city claims:
General Account #36657 - 36701 \$38,069.90 All yeas - carried.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

Police Chief Justin Jobe noted that a police radio is in need of repair.

Mosloski mentioned that the ambulance has been taking many runs for out of territory areas. He questioned if it was profitable and was concerned that the volunteers would burnout.

Hendricksen was asked for an update on the PUC. She stated that Federated has been in town inspecting the lines to determine if they are interested in purchasing.

Brownlee noted that she had spoken with Hansons and they would think about allowing the city to drain north.

Nickerson noted that he had talked to G&D electric on getting an estimate for electricity upgrades to the campground.

13. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Hendricksen, seconded by Nickerson to adjourn. All yeas - carried. Time: 6:42 p.m.

Bethanie Ekstrom, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer