

The work session meeting of the Truman City Council was held on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 4:52 p.m. in the Truman Fire Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brownlee.

Present: Councilors Ebert, Hendricksen, and Mosloski  
Absent: Councilor Nickerson

Also present were: J. Jobe, B. Brown

1. Utility Department Positions

Discussion was held about the water/wastewater position. Mike Rhey is still currently on probation because he has not obtained his Class B CDL as discussed earlier. The union will go along with an extension of the probation if we provide a written agreement between the city and the employee. Also, going to write up an apprenticeship water/wastewater agreement that will specify dates of when licenses shall be obtained in the future.

Discussion was also held about hiring an apprenticeship lineman. We have several good applicants and can start reviewing applications and begin interviews. Interviews will be done with Brent, Thea, Lynn, and Kathy present. Also, we will need to construct an agreement for the apprenticeship that will specify dates of when licenses shall be obtained in the future.

Utility Foreman position is still vacant. Discussion was held about having Brent Brown fill this position. There is still a need for more help with billing, financials, and reporting on the utility side. This is something Brent will help train someone in to relieve himself from those duties to then focus more on the foreman duties. He will continue to help with the budget process. With this move from lineman to foreman he would be getting a raise to what the former foreman was making.

2. Office Staffing

Discussion was held about having Thea help with the utility office duties that need to be taken over from Brent, in addition to the financials on the city side. This position would be the Deputy Clerk, and then advertise for a City Clerk to do more of the city work and help with city financials. Both clerks then would aid in being a back up to the Administrative Assistant.

3. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Thea Boesch, City Clerk-Treasurer