Falls City and Union Workers Strike Deal

(KLZA)-- Falls City Council members approved two contracts with unions representing city workers Monday night.

Contracts were approved with the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 571 and with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1536. Under the new agreements, employees will receive a 2.5-percent pay raise each year of the three-year contract.

The new contracts are effective October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2019.

Council members Judy Murphy, Kirby Robidoux and Jim Wisdom were absent from the meeting.

In other business the Council approved amending the ordinance on current electrical rates, fees and charges. The action will not actually change customers overall rates, but is due to a customer putting in solar panels and being allowed by statute, to sell a certain amount of electricity back to the City.

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