## **APRIL 10, 2024**

The Brookston Town Council met in regular session with all members present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. CM North made a motion to approve minutes as read. Second was made by CM Girard. Motion carried.

Bills were examined on the Payable Voucher Form. CM Hasser moved to pay bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by CM Thomas. The bills totaling \$70,246.07. Unanimously approved.

New/Old Business

Pres. Butz received questions regarding getting quotes for projects. When soliciting for quotes make sure everyone receives the same written scope, so they can't come back and change their quote already given. Need to solicit for 3 quotes.

Ken reports: received email from state Town was approved for the 2024-1 paving grant and will be publishing for bids 2 times in paper 7 days apart. SRF public meeting will be held at the April 24<sup>th</sup> Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. Pres. Butz asked when Milestone will be starting the paving. Eng. Ken said now that the asphalt companies have opened back up they should be starting early June done by July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Pres. Butz announced after water project then will be looking at doing a sewer project.

Terry LaOrange reports: everything running smooth at this time. Haven't heard anything from Supt. Emmett.

Pres. Butz asked Council Members their thoughts on open house for new fire station. Have 2 options, a walk through or have a program. Council approved a walk through on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. CM Girard mentioned maybe signs put up with all names of sponsors. Eng. Ken already has posters of names to be put up.

Fire Chief Jason reports: will have a Coney Island truck here for the fire station open house. Asked Clerk-Treasurer about payment for fire departments portion on utilities that the check had not cleared, wanted to make sure it was received. Clerk-Treasurer said yes received it and was going to add to Town's portion payment to be processed all together and was put through the drawer tomorrow. Town approves utility bills first meeting of the month. Jason asked about when budget for next year to be turned in for he said they did not use all equipment funds budgeted and will like to double fire pay and this will offset the equipment fund because they will apply for grants if need equipment. Council said yes and budget to be turned in by 1<sup>st</sup> week in June.

Clerk-Treasurer asked Atty. Rebecca on TIF letters. Atty. Rebecca has a Resolution drawn up for the Redevelopment Commission to have meeting to approve the Resolution which includes the letters to be sent out to non tax units. Clerk-Treasurer will call all members to set up a meeting and will let her know when it will be held.

Supt Emmett reports: water plant on issues, hydrant flushing has been done. Had to do a little maintenance at wastewater plant. Had no issues there during last rain fall. Epic tree trimming was here Monday and took out the 10 trees at ballpark. CM Hasser asked about the mound between the bathrooms, concession, and pavilion area. Supt. Emmett said they will do some grating there. Doug Bunch started the sidewalk next to the library on Monday. The guys did some mowing in the small areas and Ron Newkirk will be back mowing Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>. CM Thomas asked if he (Emmett) heard anything on any patching on SR 43. Supt Emmett said no he had not. There has been a lot of traffic coming through Brookston lately.

CM Girard asked about getting more picnic tables for the shelter at the Wood St. Park. Possibly 4 more tables. Clerk-Treasurer will look at the park budget.

Marshal Yeoman reports: Patrolled 344 miles; 3 crash reports; 3 traffic warnings; 3 traffic stops; 8 other police services. Everything going pretty smooth. Weather warming up will be checking on high grass. Have noticed a couple of places needing cleaned up and will

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be notifying them. VP north asked how the police vehicle running. Yeoman said good so far. First thought were the injectors were clogged. Gutwein fixed a recall on vehicle and after hooking to the diagnostic computer it shows nothing to be wrong with it. Marshal Yeoman thinks the first shop it was taken to put some heat in the gas tank to clean the injectors may have fixed the problem.

Deputy Fire Chief Rex asked if ok to start handing out the fire station open house flyers with the time change from 10:00 a.m-2:00 p.m. Council said yes.

Pres. Butz made an announcement he has a mole on his back and is in stage 4 melanoma cancer. Already had a treatment done in Florida while he was there. Will get another treatment next Tuesday and not sure if any surgeries to come. If so wanted the Council to know what was going on in case he has to miss meetings for the surgery.

There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.

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Clerk-Treasurer