

# August 13, 2025

The Brookston Town Council met in regular session with all members present. Clerk-Treasurer at ILMCT Annual Conference. Deputy Clerk-Treasurer was present.

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

Bills were examined on the Accounts Payable Voucher Form. VP North moved to pay bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by CM Girard. The bills totaling \$140,701.03 Unanimously approved.

## New/Old Business

CM Girard started discussion on restrooms at Wood Street Park. Would like at least a one restroom and Hasser suggested one unisex restroom at Wood Street Park. CM North asked Emmett how often porta pot is used and if it is kept clean. Emmett informed council that the company porta pot is rented from cleans it every Monday and he has had no issues. CM Thomas will get information and quotes for one unisex restroom. CM North would like to see restrooms at ball park redone, as they are used more often. If town added onto existing restroom at ball park, they are already ADA compliant. CM Hasser suggested painting floors and walls in restrooms at ball park and also the water plant.

Eng. Ken reports: Has quotes from F&K and Accu Dig for moving water lines for SR 43 project. He and Emmett will meet with Mr. Swisher from Utility Supply on Friday to discuss materials. Also, has asked to meet with INDOT regarding the detour when project starts. Next paving round is October. In 2026, there will only be one round a year and will drop to 100,000,000 and match will be 80/20. If town goes for paving round in October, it would not be paid until 2026. Eng. Ken took Rater test and will take Quality Control test next, which are now required. He has asked to meet with Amy from SRF for reconstruction meeting. He has not heard back from her.

Eng. Ken recommends a new modem and firewall for Town Hall office, as what is there now is outdated and overloaded and needs upgraded. Recommends having Comcast look at it and to also get a battery back-up. Council unanimously agreed to an upgrade.

Eng. Ken states that if have SRF for wastewater project, the State has changed it to the second round. Also stated that none of our street signs are compliant.

Terry LaOrange reports: Nothing

Fire Chief Jason reports: None

Supt. Emmett reports: Sewer going well. Water going well. There is a small service line leak on 4<sup>th</sup> Street that will be repaired. He is working with Tim on applications for tests for water license. He has a list for tree trimming around power lines. New mower has cut down on mowing time and there is little to no clean-up from blown grass. Curb clean up and painting will be finished west of the railroad tracks this week and will start on east side next week. Reith Riley has curbs poured and is working on backfilling. They will start milling streets next week. CM Girard asked if anyone is helping spray weeds as the weeds on Brackney St, south of 8<sup>th</sup> Street have not been sprayed all summer and also weeds in sidewalk up town. Also mentioned weeds at new pizza place and Marshal Yeoman said he had already contacted the owner about that. Emmett will have them spray again. Emmett and Tim took the Town fire engine in for regular services and also to have air conditioner fixed.

Atty. Rebecca Trent presented a first draft of the Usage Agreement for the Summer Recreation use of the ball park. CM Hasser requested to leave the year blank on the first page so that it can just be filled in each year. Also requested to have page two changed to read bathrooms are to be cleaned by the League after each scheduled event.

Marshall Yeoman reports: Things are going smoothly. He is catching up after vacation with grass/weeds in town and has written tickets. Weeds are the biggest problem

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and if he has missed any, would like council to let him know. In full prep for festival. Patrolled 387 miles; 1 Crash Report; 1 Animal Complaint; 2 Disturbances; 3 Call for Service; 2 Traffic Complaints; 3 Assist other agency; 1 Assist Medical; 2 Criminal Arrests; 16 traffic stops and 16 warnings; 2 Ordinance Violations and 2 follow-ups on Ordinance Violations.

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer presented quote from Boyce for software upgrade that is needed for new meters. Council states this was already approved when discussed earlier.

There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.

Pres.



  
Clerk-Treasurer