

# FEBRUARY 25, 2026

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

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

Bills were examined on the Accounts Payable Register Form. CM Hasser moved to pay bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by CM Thomas. The bills totaling \$190,967.42 Unanimously approved.

**New/Old Business:**

Scott Robinson, certified wastewater operator for the waste treatment plant was present to update Council Members that Supt. Emmett is doing a good job and looking forward to new updates on the wastewater project. He would like to meet with Eng. Ken, CM Eldridge and Supt. Emmett to discuss some issues from previous discussion.

Miles McQueary a resident in the duplex at end of St Rd 43 South was present to ask Council for help on his neighbor who lives in the other half of the duplex who has rummage sales every day in the summer making it very hard for him to get into his driveway off ST Rd 43 and to be able to leave his driveway due to the cars at the rummage sale. Pres. North has reached out to Town Atty. Rebecca Trent and she will look into what can be done. VP Girard went the next step forward and checked with White County on ordinance they have that allows 7 straight days allowed for garage sales and if beyond the 7 days then needs a permit. Council will discuss further to draw up an ordinance to make it a little stricter and not as long. Miles McQuery will check back later on the progress.

Eng. Ken reports: announced watching the virtual from Community Foundation of White County on grant. Town can apply for grant up to \$100,000.00 for one project to add a bathroom at the Wood St. Park. Presented a drawing where the bathroom will go and to add water and sewer lines. Talked to REMC and they may have a program to apply for some money. Will send letter for intent that is due by March 9<sup>th</sup> for grant through the Community Foundation of White County. VP Girard said 1<sup>st</sup> submit the letter and the foundation will choose who will receive grants.

Terry LaOrange reports: no report

Fire Chief reports: Fire Department has a new website and can apply through the website to become a volunteer fireman. Could the link be added to the Town's website. Clerk-Treasurer said yes. Donation letters were sent out to residents within the coverage areas that also includes a family portrait. CM Hasser asked if the studio takes a cut from the donations or does it all go to the fire department. It all goes to the fire department after cost of postage.

Supt. Emmett reports: sewer going good. Water running good. AOP getting parts and equipment together. Dashiell received last couple of the hydrants. They will be back in a couple of weeks to do the distribution upgrade. Electric no report. Continuing doing the sign replacements and tree trimming around the signs. CM Eldridge asked if the post chlorine line was down and if the injectors still get plugged up. Supt. Emmett said yes, and they clean it out every month. CM Hasser asked about the sidewalk quotes from last year can Supt. Emmett asked Reith Riley to get a quote since they will be doing work in Town already. Supt. Emmett will ask them. CM Eldridge asked if any knowledge on when Nipsco will start on their lines. Supt. Emmett said he thinks they will start soon for he is getting lots of locates. Pres. North asked if he had any plans on fixing the line behind Alms building. Supt. Emmett said yes, waiting on descent weather. They will replace main from alley to the Other Place and run three new service lines to Alms building and the Other Place and put meter pits outside. CM Thomas asked about the walkway at the Heart to Heart Park. Eng. Ken will ask Reith Riley to look at it. Supt. Emmett said they will do

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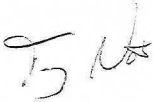
leaf pick-up probably in April since it snowed early before getting them picked up in the fall.

Marshal Yeoman reports: Patrolled 668 miles; Check person: check vehicle; check neighborhood; 911 hang up 504 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.; check residence/talk to officer; reckless/sleepy driver; noise complaint; traffic stops/Fessler 3; Indiana Drug Enforcement Training Conference last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; Has a Marshals Conference in April will take Deputy Fessler with. Pres. North asked if he (Marshal Yeoman) had a total of 3 officers. Marshal Yeoman said he has Deputy Winkler still on payroll for he (Winkler) will cover a couple of days while he (Marshal Yeoman) is on vacation.

Pres. North announced checking on adding to the electric loan already have for costs to put in new electric meters and have one payment instead of two.

There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.

Pres.



Clerk-Treasurer