February 12, 2025

The Brookston Town Council met in regular session with Pres. Butz by phone call in and CM Thomas absent.

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

Bills were examined on the Accounts Payable Voucher Form. CM Hasser moved to pay bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by Girard. The bills totaling \$139,514.62. Unanimously approved.

New/Old Business

Fire Department agreement is tabled to next meeting. Fire Chief Jason sent a copy to their attorney to review it before signing.

Eng. Ken reports: presented confirmation on the ST Rd 43 project construction being pushed back a year starting in 2026 instead of 2025. VP North asked if they were going to take the stumps out and plant new trees in place of the trees that were cut down. Eng. Ken wasn't sure. He can check the drawings. Supt. Emmett didn't think they were. Presented drawings for the water project and permits should be ready within 2-3 weeks. VP North asked about the paving grant. Everything has been submitted and the grant is to be awarded in February. Will be getting ready to solicit for bids.

Terry LaOrange reports: meeting with IMPA on AMI electric meters. Still evaluating at this time to see what software is best option for what the Town needs.

Supt. Emmett reports: sewer going good. Had a service line leak at Hunter Nutrition. Town is eligible for an Alliance grant available that reimburse up to \$81,369.00 in wages, allotment of \$6,400.00 for classes and training and a \$900.00 for lap top. Will let them know Town will be applying for the grant which is due April 1st. There are some lights out at Casey's parking lot. Sent a work order to REMC and they were coming on Monday and got called away for emergency outage. Will get with them again. Had to replace transmission in the F550, cost around \$11,165.00. Purchased a flatbed trailer which was budgeted for. There was a gas leak at fire station it was found to be regulator in line that feeds to the stove. CM Girard asked if they saved any wires or lights from the Christmas wreaths. He said they saved the lights. He will look into new wrap around.

Fire Chief Jason reports: none

Marshall Yeoman reports: Patrolled 272 miles; 1 traffic complaint; 1 traffic warning; 1 traffic stop; 1 vehicle towed; 1 gun permit; 9 other police services. Received a quote for new body cameras. Cost is \$10,274.00 over 5 years. \$2,051.00 a year. Conference next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. CM Girard notice Deputy Glover is totally off schedule now. Marshal said yes he has resigned and had a couple people interested but wanted different hours then what he need them for.

Pres. Butz wanted the Council Members to know he contacted one of the Commissioners to set up a meeting in April or May to discuss growth. He and Eng. Ken are working on utility rate comparison. He has spoke to Randy Strasser also on growth for the Town.

There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.

Pres. XP To Val

Clerk-Treasurer