JUNE 12, 2024

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

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. CM Thomas 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 Girard moved to pay bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by CM Thomas. The bills totaling \$221,525.73. Unanimously approved.

New/Old Business

Tim Reifel asked Council if a Child playing sign could be put up on Moore St. He has children and vehicles driving through there too fast. Council said yes. Supt. Emmett will order the sign. He will put a list of signs needed and order them also.

Clerk-Treasurer announced the Cintas agreement does not expired until 2027 and cannot terminate it but can make changes to finish out the agreement. The plan is to go with 2-3X5 mats costing around \$53.00 a month saving \$1100.00 a year.

Pres. Butz suggested any changes needed to be made for the fire station building should go through Supt. Emmett to present to the Council for discussion and approval. Council agrees.

Pres. Butz had requested earlier the office doing a job request sheet for anything needed done to add on sheet for Supt. to mark off when done. VP North asked how it is working. Clerk-Treasurer said working fine. She likes the sheet and Supt Emmett likes it also.

Bids for the 2024-CCBG grant. Received 2 bids. Reith Riley \$270,457.16. Milestone \$288,681.80. Atty. Rebecca reviewed them and said they both looked ok. CM Thomas made a motion to accept low bid from Reith Riley. Second by CM Girard. Motion unanimous. September deadline to be done.

Terry LaOrange reports: trying to get poles in private right of ways. Checking to see if can rent a right of way machine. Once he gets all information together he will present to Council. Once all poles are done, should last 30 years. This is a 2 day process getting the poles done.

Fire Chief Jason reports: VP North asked if all work needed to be repaired is done. Jason said no. He is to meet with Supt. Emmett to make a list of what all is needed to be repaired. Pres. Butz said all repairs to go to Contractor first for this is still under warranty. Council would like to see the list at the next meeting. Pres. Butz said Eng. Ken is finishing up the plans for the Ambulance service and Commissioners approved to pay all cost.

Supt Emmett reports: sewer plant running well. End of summer will haul out sludge. Wt CCR reports have been mailed out. Door to Door surveys for water project grant are completed. There were 2 electric outages. One being cross arm braces on 10th St. blew and squirrel in transformer on 8th St. next to water plant. Ripley St had been repaired by Family Express. Doug Bunch quote for putting concrete in front of new fire station is \$3600.00. CM Girard asked if this was on the plans to be done if so why wasn't it done and if the Contractor can be responsible to get it done. Eng. Ken said Town can send a certified letter to Contractor requesting it be done per the plans he didn't complete. Need to have Atty. Rebecca look at the letter before sending. CM Thomas asked if Milestone looked at the walking path at Walk Park. Supt. Emmett said they did and they said the old asphalt was not smooth and had big cracks in it. The new asphalt was a little wider than the old asphalt and was poured on top of the old asphalt which was a no good base for the new asphalt. Question was why put it over the old asphalt. Supt. Emmett said because the cost to tear out the old was astronomical high.

VP North asked about the Town clock not working. Supt. Emmett has on his list to call company to check it out.

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CM Girard asked about spraying the weeds. Supt. Emmett said a couple weeks ago they went around spraying. CM Girard said there are weeds all along curbs and sidewalks throughout town. Also there is a walnut tree on the corner of W. 5th St and Railroad St that is hanging over in street and hits her vehicle. Will check it out. What was used to get the markers and carved marks out of the picnic tables at the Wood St Park. Supt. Emmett said they used a heat gun to get off tables. Mulch looks good. Supt. Emmett will get mulch for the corner Brookston Pocket Park.

Eng Ken reports: Water grant application to be turned in June 28th and announced August 28th. Working a lot with Pres. Butz on water project. Would like fire chief to write a letter to be included for the water project grant if hydrants are down because they have no isolation valve could hinder fire coverage in Town. Sent permit to State on the new changes to the fire station for ambulance service.

Marshal Yeoman reports: Patrolled 511 miles; 2 vin checks; 1 traffic complaint; 1 traffic warning; 1 traffic stop; 3 ordinance violations; 1 abatement served; 4 criminal history invest; 1 follow-up ordinance violation; 8 other police services. Put up a temporary camera at Wood St park for there have been damage to tables and would like to get quotes for a permanent camera system. Council approved to get quotes. R&M and Dollar General mowed their property. Would like to start looking to hire a part time deputy. Deputies he has now, one only wants to work one Saturday a month, one has a new job, and one hasn't been able to return yet due to injuries. Council said yes.

Clerk-Treasurer will be gone at conference during the next meeting. Deputy Clerk will attend in her place.

There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.

Pres.

Clerk-Treasurer