

# JULY 12, 2023

The Brookston Town Council met in regular session with CM Thomas absent.

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

Bills were examined on the Payable Voucher Form. CM Girard moved to pay the bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by VP North. The bills totaling 106,519.14 unanimously approved.

Public Hearing amending water and sewer utility service charge for single meter multi unit mobile home parks. No attendees. CM Hasser made a motion to accept the amendment ordinance #3-2023. Second by CM Girard. Motion unanimous.

## New/Old Business

CM Girard presented copy of tennis court, pickle ball and shuffleboard rules to be put on sign. Council review and approved to be posted on a white sign with black lettering. Council approved.

Pres. Butz proposed pay raise for Supt. Emmett passing his water test to 27.00 per hour. VP North made a motion to pay 27.00 per hour. Second by CM Girard. Motion unanimous.

Pres. Butz and Clerk-Treasurer met to go over budget for 2024. The only big change was lowering police pay budget. Clerk-Treasurer will put budget together and present to budget representative and will find out if need to make any changes. Pres. Butz asked Supt. Emmett if he received any quotes for new truck. Supt. Emmett will check Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>, that's when new order pricing starts and see what to get on trade-in. Clerk-Treasurer said she needs it ASAP once he gets it so she can get the budget in. Pres. Butz said as for tables for shelter we can pay for them and not have to budget for them.

Atty. George Loy working on contract for Trash Kans, new company approved for trash pickup starting in 2024. Will send a draft to Council to review before sending it. Clerk-Treasurer asked if a certified letter of rejection could be sent to Apex instead of phone call. Atty. George Loy and Council said yes.

Eng. Ken reports: July 28<sup>th</sup> is when grant submission is due for blacktopping. Presented what streets to be done this round. VP North asked about W. 6<sup>th</sup> St, between SR 43 and Ripley could be added if any money left over. Eng. Ken said not sure if there will be any money left over, if so then yes. If not then add it next year. Construction on new Fire Station started yesterday. Surveying tomorrow afternoon. Contractor will provide a complete schedule by Friday from start to end. CM Girard asked if any word on having to move the recycling trailer. Eng. Ken said no. Pres. Butz asked if know how many zones. Eng. Ken wasn't sure. Thinking 6 zones.

Terry LaOrange reports: None

Fire Chief Jason reports: None

Emmett Reports: Sewer plant going well. Will need to haul sludge in the fall. Water plant going good. He will now be signing off on the reports since he now has his WT-3 license. Electric luncheon meeting with IMPA on Monday on meters. He and Terry LaOrange going over pole completion. Holden and Brackney. Pickle ball net is so light the wind blowing it off court. Contacted Leslie Coating and they called the manufacture that will send a heavy duty net. Fireworks went well. Only issue caution tape was up and people walking through it. Will put 2 strands of caution tape up next year.

CM Hasser mentioned stop sign at 6<sup>th</sup> street is covered up by pine tree. Emmett will take care of it.

CM Girard asked about the pole leaning behind Pizza King with wire hanging low. Emmett said there is nowhere else to hang the wire.

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**Marshal Yeoman reports: Patrolled 399 miles; 1 case report; 1 traffic warning; 1 traffic stop; 12 ordinance violations; 10 other police services. Agreed with Emmett on fireworks going good. His Deputy Aaron Page was involved in vehicle accident while working for White County. He was T-Boned and is home recuperating. Sent out several notices on tall weeds and grass. The bushes on E 3<sup>rd</sup> St is overgrown and homeowner not taken care of them. Since they are between sidewalk and street can Town cut them down? Council said yes.**

**Clerk-Treasurer mentioned on the recorder from last meeting she was gone, there were new changes to the TIF Redevelopment Committee. Council President is to elect a President for the Committee. Pres. Butz re-nominated Max Eldridge as President of the Redevelopment Committee and the Council Members re-nominated Casey North as Vice President. All members approved the nomination.**

**There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.**

**Pres.**

**Clerk-Treasurer**