## **JULY 24, 2024**

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

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

Bills were examined on the Payable Voucher Form. CM Hasser moved to pay bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by VP North. The bills totaling \$205,495.78. Unanimously approved.

Received 4 bids for fire station remodel for ambulance service. 1. Rigo's 25,000.00 + 6686.64 for door. JMT 40,000.00, 3. Hamstra 51,775.00, 4. Spencer 42,200.00. VP North made a motion to take under advisement for Engineer to review the bids and based on his recommendation for Pres. Butz to have authority to award and sign contract approval. Second by CM Girard. Motion unanimous.

Jenilynne, Director of Area Plan was present on Amendment A80 National Flood Insurance Program Requirements. If accepted this will be Ordinance 1-2024. CM Girard made a motion to accept Ordinance 1-2024, Amendment A80 as presented. Second made by VP North. Motion unanimous. Terry LaOrange questioned if this affects south of 8<sup>th</sup> St. for Town utilities. Jenilynne said it doesn't.

**New/Old Business** 

Ken reports: Will hear August 28<sup>th</sup> for Town was approved for water project grant.

Terry L. reports: starting 1<sup>st</sup> portion of the pole project tomorrow on west side of Holden Dr. and east of Brackney St. Will do 2 more poles in 2 weeks. Leaving a gap between portions so power is not off every day for hours. Will need to do another pole project by storage unit north of town. Pole with transformer is pinned in the storage and have trouble getting to it. Will move transformer pole to the alley around the corner of storage unit. Then everything should be all set for another 30 years.

Emmett reports: Tim had his first class Tuesday for the water apprenticeship. They received a list of classes, books along with cost and is asking the Council if Clerk-Treasurer can go ahead and pay all cost now, so Tim and move along quicker on the classes and not have to wait for Rural Water to pay the class and then Town has to reimburse them. CM Hasser asked about the apprenticeship. Clerk-Treasurer said she can pay it and then invoice for the grant to be reimburse in the middle of December. Right now the grant has 3,000.00 and is trying to get 5,000.00. Council approved Clerk-Treasurer to pay it. Working on storm line at 5<sup>th</sup> and Wood St. and found an issue with the storm main line between Wood St. and Davis St. due to possible collapse for it is still draining slowly. Will have a camera to put in to check it out. CM Girard said it's been over a month now and weeds still haven't been sprayed at Ball Park. They are 6" high under the swings and weeds all through the pea gravel .It looks horrible.

Clerk-Treasurer reports: Received 3 quotes for AC unit, 1. All Temp Heating and Cooling \$7,000.00, 2. My Guys Heating and Cooling \$12,240.00, 3. Snyder & Lehnen \$12,502.00. Clerk-Treasurer said if want to do this year there is enough in building fund to pay for it and won't have to put in next year's budget and price may go up. Clerk-Treasurer said they can think about it and will ask at next meeting on their decision. Denise Lopp said INDOT plans on taking tree down when they do the Construction on SR 43 next year along with other trees. They will come in and check it out in case it needs to come down before the construction starts. New website is up. CM Girard had trouble finding the ordinances. It is listed under government tab. After reviewing the quotes for AC unit, CM Hasser said on My Guys Heating they will put unit back where it is now and does that mean price will be more. Supt. Emmett said if they move it to roof then they will need electrician to come in redo electric lines. The other two quotes they will move unit to roof which is included in quotes.

Marshall Yeoman reports: Patrolled 385 miles; 2 case reports; 1 crash report; 1 criminal arrest; 12 other police services. Everything running smoothly. Tree situations taken care of. CM Hasser said the tree on E 18 hasn't been cut. Troy said they did cut the bushes by the sidewalk. Will be on vacation next week and Deputy Ryan Glover will be around if need

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him. VP North asked if having any trouble with underage kids driving golf carts. Had a person tell him kids driving golf carts fast on roads. CM Hasser has seen a group of all kids in golf cart also. Marshal Yeoman has stopped a few underage drivers and told them to go home.

Chief Jason reports: has increase on fire pay for new budget approved. Pres. Butz said it was added and will be presented for Council to review budget before adoption.

Pres. Butz announced having some ongoing health issues and will be available with any questions you might have.

CM Hasser had a couple people at the apartments complaining people playing on the pickle ball courts at 11:30 at night playing loud music and if anything could be done for they have to work the next day and cannot get to sleep. Marshal Yeoman will check it out. Terry LaOrange had someone tell him there is a young boy taking the equipment out of cabinet inside the pickleball court hitting things with them and people have said something to him and he just looks at them he would give them a gesture and kept doing it. There have been issues before with the young boy being destructive on the courts.

	There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.	
Pres.	Clerk-Treasurer	