

March 12, 2025

The Brookston Town Council met in regular session with all members presents including Pres. Butz by phone call in.

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 Girard moved to pay bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by CM Thomas. The bills totaling \$70,191.05. Unanimously approved.

New/Old Business

Atty. Rebecca Trent explained the Fire Agreement of the Town owning the building to house the Brookston/ Prairie Township volunteer fire department, the Town pays for runs. The Fire department pays 70% and Town pays 30% of utilities, phone, gas bills and Fire department pays their own workers compensation insurance. She announced the agreements now have to be uploaded in gateway. CM Thomas made a motion to accept the agreement as presented. Second by CM Hasser. Motion unanimous. Clerk-Treasurer made copy of approved and signed agreement and given it to Cindy Sanders to be approved by the fire department quorum.

Clerk-Treasurer will be gone the week of the 17th for ILMCT Institute Class. She also announced that the Town clock has not been fixed yet. We have the part and where it needs to go the face on the clock needs to come off and utility laborer Tim said it's big and afraid to take it off from a ladder. Tim said Supt. Emmett is going to call Travis of REMC to see if they can help with their bucket truck. If not then will need to rent a lift. Clerk-Treasurer will be calling company to bring in the porta pot for Wood St. Park.

VP North noticed the pickleball nets were up. Clerk-Treasurer said yes they were put up today. Middle part of one of the nets is broken and net is sagging. Tim is going to try and find something to fix it. Eventually will probably have to order new nets.

Pres. Butz announced the Town was awarded for the paving grant. Eng. Ken will be getting everything ready on it. INDOT is bidding out now for contractors for the SR 43 project which was pushed back to start in spring of 2026.

Eng. Ken reports: none

Terry LaOrange reports: No progress on the AMI's. Still working on it. The ground is too soft behind Brackney St. and Holden St for REMC trucks to get back there to replace the poles behind Max's and Pres. Joe's house. He will be talking to Travis of REMC and will ask while they're in Town Friday working on a pole if they can help on the clock. Clerk-Treasurer said if they can make sure to talk to Tim to see if he's available to be there when they do it.

Supt. Emmett reports: None, away at Alliance Spring Conference

Fire Chief Jason reports: Fire Department Secretary Cindy was present asking permission to use the fire station for their daughter's graduation party for 2 hours. Council approved.

Marshall Yeoman reports: Patrolled 293 miles; 1 case report; 1 domestic dispute; 1 disturbance; 1 traffic complaint; 1 criminal arrest; 1 traffic warning; 1 traffic stop; 1 criminal history invest; 1 gun permit; 12 other police services. Prosecutor will pay first year on the 5 year contract for new camera system. VP North asked if there is a problem with the camera will it be covered during the 5 years. Marshal Yeoman was sure there will be a warranty on them. CM Girard asked if any luck on part-time help. Marshal said Deputy Wayne Winkler will be helping out starting this Saturday.

There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.

Pres.

VP TJ North

Regina L. Seymour
Clerk-Treasurer