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The Brookston Town Council met in regular session with Pres. Butz by phone.

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 CM Thomas. The bills totaling \$442,416.19. Unanimously approved.

Public Hearing – Drinking Water SRF and PER, Brookston's drinking water infrastructure. Eng. Ken Smith presented applications to be approved for the grant for 600,000.00-700,000.00. This grant is for hydrant replacements, aerators, filters all pertain to the plant, and meters. CM Hasser made a motion to approved Resolution #1-2024 SRF Loan Program authorizing VP North for the signatory authorization in place of President Butz while he is not available. Second made by CM Thomas. Motion unanimous. CM Thomas made a motion to approve Resolution #2-2024 Model Per Acceptance Resolution to be prepared by Municipal Civil Corp. Second made by Girard. Motion unanimous. The meters will all be radio reads. Don't need new software for the software already have reading the electrics will work on water meters.

New/Old Business

Clerk-Treasurer reports: 1. would like the strip in hallway to be repaired. Supt. Emmett will look for a wider strip. 2. Has heard back from Kelly of Alliance Rural Water. Region has received lots of applications for apprentice and she has sent an email which Clerk-Treasurer was added to asking Gerry to help herself and Clerk-Treasurer to upload planning document. No word back yet. 3. Ordered the porta-pot for the Wood St Park.

CM Girard announced ordering for bricks are over. Put last order of 35 bricks. Haven't checked with Clerk-Treasurer yet but thought to have \$2,833.50 left over use to purchase Christmas lights for the pocket park. VP North said to look to see if any bushes needing replaced. CM Hasser mentioned if any more funds need could possibly take out of park fund.

Ken reports: None already spoke about the SRF grant during public hearing.

Terry LaOrange reports: Carroll White REMC will work on what's in the work plan as needed. Nothing critical at this time. VP North asked if all trees been trimmed away from lines. Emmett said yes, Mint City done all the hot spots last year. VP North asked if it was in the budget for funding the trees being trimmed. Terry L said no it's in the maintenance agreement.

Pavilion to be addressed. CM Thomas asked Eng. Ken about the ice and water shield. Eng. Ken recommends not doing the ice and water shield. This will also save 500.00. Tatman's bid was changed from 8,000.00 to 10,500.00. After discussion CM Hasser made a motion to accept Tatman's new bid of \$10,500.00. Second was made by CM Thomas. Motion unanimous. Suspend first bid of \$8,000.00.

VP North asked Supt. Emmett if anything been solved with Brightspeed's subcontractor pulled a vehicle in area they shouldn't have and damaged a couple of trees on Jerry Carters property on Holden Dr. Supt. Emmett did send a quote to Brightspeed to replace the damaged trees. Brightspeed acknowledge their damage and will take care of it.

Supt. Emmett reports: received 3 quotes to take out 10 walnut trees at the ball park. All 3 companies received the same scope of what is needed. 1. T-N-T Tree Service \$7,850.00, 2. Wildcat Creek Tree Service \$6,250.00, 3. Epic Tree Trimming and Removal \$4,800.00. CM Thomas made a motion to accept Epic Tree Trimming and Removal. Second made by CM Girard. Motion unanimous.

CM Girard had a few questions for Supt. Emmett. 1. Grating at the ball park driveway and recycling area that was on 3-13-24 report and hasn't been done and is not on this week's report. Supt. Emmett said they tried and the gravel was too hard. Will work on it. 2. What parts needed for mower. Supt. Emmett said they have a pull behind mower they want to get working for areas they use at Walk Park and Wastewater Plant that the grass to tall to use the other mowers for. 3. Can gravel be put in holes on Ripley St. behind where house was torn down? Supt. Emmett said he and Clerk-Treasurer been working on it contacting company who dug up the street. Clerk-Treasurer been on phone for 2 days and last person she spoke to said yes company needs to take care of it and she will contact person in charge.

Fire Chief Jason reports: none had to go on a run. Clerk-Treasurer presented the new fire station open house flyer for Council to see. Pres. Butz asked if they passed out the flyers for they were

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to bring to Council to discuss before distributing them. Council and Clerk-Treasurer not sure for they had to leave on a fire run and hadn't discussed it.

Marshal Yeoman reports: Patrolled 402 miles; 1 case report; 1 disturbance; 1 traffic complaint; 4 traffic warnings; 4 traffic stops; 1 juvenile complaint; 1 criminal history invest; 8 other police services. Waiting to get police vehicle back from the shop. Had to replace injectors and repair a recall. CM Girard asked how crossing guards are working out. Troy said well.

There being no further business, Meeting to be adjourned.

Pres

Clerk-Treasurer