T**he Brookston Town Council met in regular session with all members present.**

**Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. VP North made a motion to approve minutes. Second was made by CM Thomas. Motion carried.**

**Bills were examined on the Payable Voucher Form. VP North had question on pole replacement bill if this should be out of poles allowed. Terry LaOrange says this isn’t one of them. CM Hasser moved to pay the bills listed on the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. Second was made by CM Girard. The bills totaling $170,330.66. Unanimously approved.**

**New Business:**

**Joe Rogers, White County Area Plan Director was present regarding Ordinance Amending The Unified Zoning Ordinance of White County, Indiana, And Accompanying Zoning Maps. Request to rezone split zone property of B-2 and R-2 to rezone strictly to B-2 business. Passed 9-1 in Area Plan meeting. Had 2 people with questions, one being Julie O’Conner asking where and why the re-zone, once explained was fine with it and Jeff of R&M was not in favor of it and came to the Area Plan meeting. If no decision tonight at Town meeting, will need decision by July 11th or White County Area Plan makes decision. If passed this will be Ordinance #9-2022. CM Hasser had a question regarding garage located on property near property to be rezoned. Garage is fine it’s easement not right of way. CM North made a motion to accept Ordinance #9-2022. Second by CM Thomas. Motion unanimous. Joe Rogers introduced Jennilyn Hall new Assistant Director of Area Plan.**

**Public Hearing for Fire Station Grant with Emily Albaugh from KIRPC. Indiana Community Rural Affair grant for $500,000.00 with construction cost up increase the budget by $100,000.00. There is a 15%-20% increase on supplies. Originally it was 1.1 million project to 1.2 million. Cap at $500,000.00, local match will have to change a little bit with additional funds from Town and donations. Pres. Butz wondered if the grant would still have the same amount of funds available as last time. Emily said yes that didn’t change for it was already allocated for 2022. Proposal will be submitted Friday April 29th. Then there will be a site visit, 2nd public hearing at June meeting, application portion to be submitted July 1, 2022 and awarded August 16, 2022. Pres. Butz asked Emily if she would meet with him and the Commissioners for when he presents his presentation asking for funds. Emily said yes. First it goes to Economic Development, then to the body. Pres. Butz asked if can do alternates on fire station plans. Emily said yes to things like materials, asphalt. Right now Town is $300,000.00 short.**

**Old Business:**

**Pres. Butz presented contract from Krintz’s on pocket park. Atty. George to look it over and make changes if needed.**

**Pres. Butz announced baseball recreational has been letting travel ball play on fields and charging $500.00. This is against the license and agreement between Town of Brookston and FERL program which a renewal license and agreement has not been signed yet also. Council made decision there are to be no games played on the fields until they attend a board meeting. Pres. Butz will call Travis Winger, President of the FERL program to let him know of this decision.**

**Pres. Butz announced reason Emmett wasn’t present at meeting was due to a leak at trailer court on Fowler Rd. Two years ago it was discuss of putting 1 meter at the court. This still hasn’t been done. It needs to be done at both trailer parks in Town. Will get pricing on cost to do this.**

**Terry LaOrange reports: not ready to close on project yet, there is language in project loan that any money left over could be used on anything else that is needed for the project. Pres. Butz asked if have to close current loan and apply for new loan? Terry LaOrange said no that is why the language was put in the current loan to use any funds left over. Solar panel for a resident was finalized today. There is a permit fee for installation, inspection and testing which cannot use a standard meter through Town which has been paid. IMPA will do the inspection. He would like to announce in meeting the Company involved in the solar panel bothers him. Especially when they change their name during this process. The representative tried to push Josh and when that didn’t work went around him and tried with Terry which did not work also.**

**Eng. Ken asked if Council would like him to also look at contract from Krintz’s with Atty. George Loy. Council and Atty. George Loy said yes. Brookston awarded paving and will help Pres. Butz set up to docu-sign for this. Will have curb profile at next meeting. CM Girard said the curbs on Clawil have not been done yet. Eng. Ken will call Doug Bunch regarding this.**

**Pres. Butz mentioned the 1.4%. Some discussion on this will need to figure out how to do this and needs to be done soon. Eng. Ken will ask Amber with Baker Tilly on notices they are sending out to residents. Have to send out 2 notices. Atty. George Loy said need to have notices, public hearing. Pres. Butz does not want to pay out lots of money to adjust the rates for the URT. Terry LaOrange say’s we shouldn’t have to, we can do it ourselves. Eng. Ken Smith will set up a conference call with Jeff Rowe of Baker Tilley and invite Terry LaOrange to the call.**

**Emmett Olis-Cartmell and Matt with Rock and Dirt showed up with report of the water leak they are working on at the trailer park on Fowler Rd. Right now there is no water due to being shut off for broken valve. Can put a part on temporarily and asked if Council would want them to continue working. Council said yes, residents need their water. Pres. Butz said get meters ordered for the 2 trailer courts.**

**Marshal Yeoman gave police report: Patrolled 831 miles; 2 case reports; 1 crash report; 1 animal complaint; 2 domestic disputes; 2 disturbances; 2 traffic complaints; 2 traffic warnings; 2 traffic stops; 4 criminal case follow up; 1 follow up ordinance violation; 19 other police services. There is a tree on St Rd 43 South that is not safe. Does the Council want him to speak to the homeowner, to get the tree removed? INDOT says they are no longer responsible, it’s on homeowners. Council said yes to let the homeowner know and Atty. George Loy said if can get the ordinance from INDOT that was passed regarding not being responsible.**

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

**Pres. Clerk-Treasurer**