**The Brookston Town Council met in regular session with VP North and CM Hasser absent.**

**Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. CM Thomas made a motion to approve minutes. Second was made by Pres. Butz. 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 CM Thomas. The bills totaling $162,801.94 unanimously approved.**

**Executive Session cancelled. Will reschedule!**

**New Business:**

**Pres. Butz would like to pay back 1 week vacation not used to Emmett. This would only be a onetime allowed. He felt this year was all messed up Josh leaving and Emmett taking over and couldn’t get his vacation in. CM Girard did not agree and asked why he couldn’t take his vacation while Tyler was here. If do it for one employee then shouldn’t it be for all employees. Pres. Butz said no. With some discussion Pres. Butz made a motion to pay back one week vacation to Emmett. Second by CM Thomas. Motion was 2-1.**

**Pres. Butz reports: announced a no show for interview today for water applicant. Will meet with Clerk-Treasurer and Eng. Ken Smith on end of year review. Hope to meet with Kathy of REMC asking to get extension on electric contract. Emmett is taking his water tests on November 30th. Would like 2 Council members to be on park committee next year to check upkeep of all the parks and bring to meeting of what they would like to see done. May have to look into hiring another laborer. If Emmett passes water test then he would be able to sign the forms. Scott Robinson can do the wastewater. Pres. Butz will ask Scott to attend a council meeting to give updates on the wastewater plant.**

**Pres. Butz spoke to commissioner Deiner asking a donation of $250,000.00. Also spoke to Jim Davis on funds for ambulance service at fire station. Chief Jason was shaking his head no on this topic. Pres. Butz asked why shaking his head. If he has something to say please say. Chief Jason comment was he knows where this is going. Pres. Butz said if you know more than he does please share. Pres. Butz doesn’t know all details yet, but was told White County will fund the ambulance service and employees of the ambulance service do not control fire department. Pres. Butz asked Atty. George Loy on how to handle extra fees of insurance, utilities and other miscellaneous. Atty. George Loy replied by saying need to have an agreement drawn up between Town and Fire Department. Pres. Butz asked Council if want to keep existing fire station building Council said yes.**

**Contract for Leslie Coatings has been signed and returned. The quote is locked in till June 2023.**

**Pres. Butz announced receiving the 2- variances. One on the Fire Station and the other for the fence next to Town Hall. There were some discussions at White county where to put the variance sign for the fence.**

**Bids for the new fire station to begin January.**

**CM Thomas asked if the walk park path is done. Emmett said yes.**

**Old Business:**

**Eng. Ken Smith reports: none**

**Terry LaOrange reports: review on electric. To apply for electric grant. There is not a good record on infrastructure for the grant. If rewarded the match cost will be 1/3 to Town. Will need concept papers in by December 16th and feels no time to do so. Eng. Ken said he could get it done. There is a webinar through IMPA on November 29th on how to apply. Pres. Butz asked if new meters can apply for the grant. Terry said yes. Letting Emmett handle the Dollar General on electric.**

**Emmett went to meeting in Logansport on November 16th on water lines. Discussion on Goosenecks and lead joints. Town will be looking to apply for water line grant.**

**Emmett Reports: Electric feed for the Dollar General is being done. He met with the electrician on getting the power on next week. CM Girard asked if he knew when the Dollar General will open for business. Emmett replied at first they were hoping to by December 16th. Not sure if that is still the date.**

**Fire Chief Jason reports: None**

**Pres. Butz has asked to borrow $60,000.00 for fire station to be paid back once Town gets the yearly payment from Wind Farms. Thank you to Eng. Ken for all he’s done getting donations for the fire station.**

**CM Thomas asked if Rigo is done with the Waugh building. Emmett said he is almost done; he has 2 corners to finish.**

**Marshal Yeoman reports: Patrolled 564 miles; 1 crash report; 2 vin checks; 2 traffic warnings; 2 traffic stops; 1 criminal case follow-up; 2 ordinance violations; 14 other police services. Jim Bolen has started working. Doing a great job. Deputy Aaron is on vacation. Deputy Ryan will be done with his academy on December 2nd.**

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

**Pres. Clerk-Treasurer**