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

**Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. CM Girard made a motion to approve minutes. Second was made by CM North. 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 North. The bills totaling $234,661.12 unanimously approved.**

**Clerk-Treasurer presented the Ordinance Amending The Rates and Charges For The Use Of and Services Rendered By The Town Of Brookston Electric and Water Utility Due To The Repeal Of The Indiana Utility Receipts Tax. VP North made a motion for the Electric URT repeal, Ordinance #10-2022. Second by CM Girard. Motion unanimous. CM Girard made a motion for the Water URT repeal, Ordinance #11-2022. Second by VP North. Motion unanimous.**

**Clerk-Treasurer presented for Emily Albaugh of KIRPC the Resolution Authorizing Application Submission and Local Match Commitment. VP North made a motion to pass the Resolution. This Resolution is #5-2022. Second by CM Girard. Motion unanimous. Pres. Butz asked Eng. Ken Smith if match can be less. Eng. Ken replied if whatever grant received match is a % towards it.**

**New Business:**

**Clerk-Treasurer announced she and her Deputy-Clerk Treasurer would like to join Trecs a company that can help get any unpaid debt owed to Town at no charge to Town. Council said yes.**

**VP North asked about property north of Maxwell’s before R&M that needs mowed. Not sure why they stopped. Marshal Yeoman will check into it.**

**Pres. Butz reports: The ad is up for Josh’s replacement. Tyler has not heard yet on taking the water test. Option is to have someone sign the form until Town hires a person to take over. Met with Terry LaOrange on the electric transition. Terry has been working with Emmett to take over the electric demand reads. Ken is working on new fire station plans and he(Ken) will sit down with Council after July 4th on final plans and after receive the grant will submit documents to state for permits.**

**CM Girard reports: Krintz’s has started on the Waugh Pocket park. Needed to get extra gravel. Removed 3 trees that had disease, maybe later they can be replaced. Gravel to settle before the project starting August 15th.**

**VP North asked if Town has received this year’s money from the wind farm. Clerk-Treasurer said yes. This is the second payment. Also if any word from the owners of the old liquor store. Clerk-Treasurer said no. Council asked her to reach out to see what is going on with it.**

**Pres. Butz asked Eng. Ken Smith to get quotes for the tennis court. Pres. Butz has received budget request from CM Hasser and asked him to provide cost of the requests given. Pres. Butz would like to set up an Executive Meeting sometime to go over where we are at and what to see going forward next 1-5 years and handing off who wants to be president.**

**Eng. Ken Smith reports: to cancel water tower contract, Town will need to do it July 20th giving it the 90 days in advance notice of cancelation. Eng. Ken will get copy of contract from the Clerk-Treasurer and get with Atty. George Loy to get the process going. There is a DNR grant to be available for parks committee to apply for to help with 50% of park projects. Also there is additional 752 million dollars rescue money available for water projects and for new meters to be extended over 5 year period. Will Council want to start the process now, for it takes a year to get it done? Council said yes.**

**Terry LaOrange reports: Lee Amick solar project did not pass because of the automatic transfer switch. It is hooked up temporary to use the solar panel but not allowed to feed back to the utility. If not corrected in a week it will be turned off by pulling the meter. Went through Town and did some amp checks. Will need to do line balances, will wait until they switch 4th to 8th St. Hope to test poles this fall. Will be able to use the leftover funds on poles from Wood St going east.**

**Emmett reports; 2 storm drains at Wood and 1st St. is not draining. Used the jetter and it did not unclog it. Will stick a camera down in the drain to see what the problem is. Grease trap behind Jackson St Pub is sinking there looks like part of structure collapsed into it. VP North said the sidewalk next to Jackson St. and towards Casey’s is breaking down. Emmett will ask Bunch if he can repair it when they do Clawil St.**

**Marshal Yeoman report: Patrolled 877 miles; 2 case reports; 2 crash reports; 1 disturbance; 5 traffic complaints; 9 traffic warnings; 9 traffic stops; ; 1 criminal case follow-up; 1 criminal history invest; 1 gun permit; 1 ordinance violation; 18 other police services. Lois Runk applied for the crossing guard position and he would like to hire her. Council said yes. Deputy Marshal Aaron has accepted part-time police position in Wolcott. Will still work here possibly until January.**

**Fire Chief Sanders reports: sent letters to Emily that was requested for Township. Letters received from Con Agra, Leman Engineering, Chimney Sweeps, Randy Jeffries, and another personal reference.**

**Clerk-Treasurer announced there will be employee only signs put on doors in office. Learned at Conference there are First Amendment Auditors going into offices mainly towards police with cameras trying to get them riled up. Putting signs up will keep them from going through the office.**

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

**Pres. Clerk-Treasurer**