

TOWN OF BROOKER  
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 13, 2018

Present: Gene Melvin, Steve Acree, Pam Johnson, Joe Tolleson, John Maines, Charlene Thomas,  
Tony Stalnakar.

Absent: Paul Samson

Meeting called to order by Gene Melvin, Mayor.

Pledge of Allegiance!

A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to approve the minutes as presented from the October 8th meeting. Seconded by Steve Acree. Motion passed.

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**Tony Stalnakar – Fire Chief:**

1. He received two proposals for both sides of modular building for ramp and landing replacement.  
Robinson = \$3197.60 and Jackson = \$3563.42  
Council felt like proposals were high. It was suggested an 8' board on back side was all that was needed. Tony mentioned that this is a public building and ADA guidelines would need to be followed for a ramp. Gene Melvin said back of building does need fixing but he didn't see the need to fix front. Council would like to have a price for aluminum ramp and landing on front side. Can county help with front of building?
2. He said nothing has been done on the lighting. Gene Melvin said price is going up.
3. The Volunteer Bank account was mentioned by clerk. They received a \$10,000.00 check from Bob Dyal. Who can sign on this account? What happens to money when we don't have a volunteer department? Brad Million talked to council sometime back on this. Clerk will look for minutes and see what his opinion was on this.
4. Gene Melvin was concerned about the helmets they are using. The new helmets he saw on television would shield smoke and other particles from touching face and causing cancer. Tony said the one they use keeps everything from making contact with skin. No skin is exposed.
5. John Maines mentioned that LaCrosse Fire Department has a full Engine now. He asked if Brooker has a mutual aid agreement with them? Tony said they have an agreement with them if they are ever needed.

**Charlene Thomas – Town Clerk:**

1. Past Due water report was passed out. Still out \$539.08. One meter still locked.
2. We have 3 seats up for re-election. Seat 3 held by Gene Melvin, Seat 4 held by Steve Acree, and Seat 5 held by Joe Tolleson. Qualifying for seats will be December 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup>. Election will be on February 12, 2019.
3. City Hall will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and the following Friday.
4. Reddish & White will be starting to work on audit this week.
5. Went over Revenues and Expenditures for October 2018.
6. Heard from Utility Services. A wash out was suppose to be done yesterday, but Utility Services did not delivery pressure relief valves for Bernard to use to empty tank. They are going to reschedule it in February or March of 2019. They will be doing an inspection of tank in a couple of weeks.

7. The lights on the outside of the community center are not working. Bulbs and photo cell have been changed out on some of them. Gene Melvin said he will check on this and see what needs to be done.

**Joe Tolleson – Road/Streets:**

1. Roads need patching. We have several pot holes.
2. Street signs need to be put up. Joe said he was too busy to put up signs. Clerk ask Steve Acree if he could help with this. He said yes. Joe needs to provide clerk with a list of signs that need to be ordered. Post are needed too.
3. Steve mentioned that trash is being left beside road. He said he would be glad to pick it up if town would reimburse him for trash picker upper grabber tool. Council said to give clerk receipt.

**Old Business:**

1. Unfinished work by County Road Department in Brooker. Sidewalks, limerock on Parker Street, overgrown limbs behind Community Center. Gene Melvin said County is coming out to finish work.

**New Business:**

1. Gene Melvin mentioned about a wreck on SR 231/235. The Towns fence was knocked down. He spoke with a Deputy and they are sending us a copy of the report.

Checks approved: 6833 – 6855, 5290 – 5297

A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to pay the bills. Seconded by Steve Acree. Motion passed. Gene Melvin made a motion to adjourn. Time: 7:55p.m.

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C.E. (Gene) Melvin, Mayor

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Charlene Thomas, Town Clerk