

Brook Town Council
Brook Town Hall
July 21, 2026 – 6:30 P.M.
Minutes

Attendees:

Town Council: Rex Chapman, Brad Wilson
Attorney: Rebecca Goddard
Superintendent:
Asst. superintendent: Jonathan Laffoon
Clerk/Treasurer: Kathy Babcock
Deputy Clerk: Nichole Massey
Marshal: Chip Flahive
Fire Chief:
Building Commissioner: Jeff Snodgrass
Iroquois Township Trustee:
Park Director:
Guest: Nick Snodgrass, Bob Gonczy County Council, Steve Eilers County Commissioner

Rex chapman called the meeting to order.

Pledge to flag.

Minutes

Brad Wilson made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 9, 2026 meeting, The June 17, 2026 Executive Session, June 29, 2026 Special Meeting, and July 10, 2026 Special Called Meeting Rex Chapman seconded the motion. All approved, motion passed.

Financials

Brad Wilson made a motion to accept the financials as presented. Rex Chapman seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Sewer Plant Funding

Rex Chapman reported that he had attended the Newton County Council Meeting and The Newton County Commissioners Meeting that morning to ask for assistance for the upcoming Sewer Project. Robert Gonczy from the Newton County Council explained the best way to ask for the money be it a Grant or a loan. Steve Eilers from the Newton County Commissioners asked questions about the specifics of the project. We are to turn in to the Auditor the specific amount we want to ask for before their next meeting

Building Commissioner

Jeff Snodgrass reported about someone from Towerco has ask if they could attend the BZA meeting via zoom. Rebecca Goddard reminded that the meeting would have to be recorded and presented live. The Board asked Kathy Babcock to email Jeff Steinberg from Kendall Communications the notice of the BZA meeting.

Fire Department

Jonathon Laffoon received a quote from EGC for a standard water heater for the Fire Department for \$6,800.00.

Marshal

Chip Flahive reported that Chris Wilson's Company will be at 420 W Howard to clean up on both sides of the Creek at 8 a.m. on Thursday.

There is a problem with the air conditioning at the police office, Pro Active Services has been there to repair it, but it still is not working properly.

Museum

The overhead door has been repaired.

Asst. Superintendent

Jonathan reported that W.W. Williams will replace the plug in the Oil Drain Plug when they are here for the next scheduled maintenance in the fall.

Jonathan turned in the Paving Quote for this year:

#1 Fletcher Drive from Park Street to Garden St.	\$14,720.25
#2 Fletcher Drive from Garden St to Hess Street	\$13,358.00
#3 Highway Street from Howard Street to SR 16	\$32,254.50
#4 Howard Street from First Street to New Pavement	\$18,602.50
#5 Franklin Street from Haynes Street to Railroad Street	\$23,826.25
This is a total of	\$102,761.50

Brad Wilson made a motion to pave option 1, 2, 3, and 4 for a total of \$78,935.25. Rex Chapman seconded the motion. All approved, motion passed.

Jonathan reported the internet at the Sewer Plant is not working. This topic was tabled until next meeting.

Someone deposited a root ball at the Brush Pile. There was discussion on what to do. Chip Flahive said he would contact the person about the rules of use. Kathy Babcock read the Brush Pile Consent Form which states violators will be responsible for removal of prohibited materials.

Old Business

Time Clock

Kathy Babcock reported that Keystone has not returned her call about which time clock works best with the Keystone software. We will get quotes.

New Business

Home Town Christmas Grant

The Home Town Christmas Committee is asking the Town of Brook to use our name to apply for a Grant. Brad Wilson made a motion to allow Home Town Christmas to apply for a Grant for funds for the Home Town Christmas Festival. Rex Chapman seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Clerk/Treasurer Notes

Kathy reported that the Budget Workshop is scheduled for August 18th at 1:15 p.m. We will schedule a meeting to go over Budget amounts.

Claims

Brad Wilson made a motion to pay claims. Rex Chapman seconded. All approved, motion passed.

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Town of Brook Council Meeting. The full video archive is available for viewing at [youtube.com @Brook Town-p8u](https://www.youtube.com/@BrookTown-p8u).

Brad Wilson made motion to adjourn the meeting, Rex Chapman seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

X Kathy Babcock

Kathy Babcock
Clerk/Treasurer

X

Jeff Laffoon
Town Council President

X

Rex Chapman
Rex Chapman
Town Council Member

X

Brad Wilson
Brad Wilson
Town Council Member