

Brook Town Council
Brook Town Hall
June 9, 2026 – 6:30 P.M.
Minutes

Attendees:

Town Council: Rex Chapman, Jeff Laffoon, Brad Wilson
Attorney: Codey Spear
Superintendent:
Asst. superintendent: Jonathan Laffoon
Clerk/Treasurer: Kathy Babcock
Deputy Clerk:
Marshal:
Fire Chief:
Building Commissioner: Jeff Snodgrass
Iroquois Township Trustee:
Park Director: Kim Nevitt
Guest: Nick Snodgrass, Bart Woodward, Janice Wilson

Jeff Laffoon called the meeting to order.

Pledge to flag.

This Meeting was recorded and will be uploaded to the Town Website as soon as possible.

Minutes

Rex Chapman made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 12, 2026 meeting. Jeff Laffoon seconded the motion. All approved, motion passed.

Financials

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

Brook Youth Program

Jeff announced that we will be advertising for a new Board for the Brook Youth Program.

Building Commissioner

Jeff Snodgrass reported about the progress at 204 North Street, he has given them until June 26, 2026 and then the dumpster will be picked up.

Regarding the property at 104 E Harrison Street garage. Jeff asked that a letter be sent to her establishing a two-month deadline.

After discussion it was decided that a meeting would be set to go over and revise the nuisance ordinance.

Conservation Club

Jonathan reported Newton County Soil and Water had planted the Rain Garden at the Conservation Club. Then the big rain event came and washed a lot of the plants into the bayou. A lot of the plants were saved and replanted.

Asst. Superintendent

Jonathan Laffoon reported the Lift Station Generator has been installed. Everything is hooked up and it is ready to go.

Jonathan reported that W.W. Williams turned in a quote to replace the Oil Drain Plug for \$1,763.62. He will check to see if they can just ship the plug and install it the next time they are here for maintenance.

The Street Light on Maple Street has still not been removed. We are waiting on NIPSCO to come.

Jonathan presented a quote from Core & Main to replace the meter reading system for \$5,500.00. Brad Wilson made a motion to Accept the quote from Core & Main to replace the meter reading system. Rex Chapman seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Jonathan presented a quote from Ryan Whybrew for the Sewer Plant Disinfection System budget at \$430,000.00

Jonathan reported that he is waiting on a quote from FJF Services for quote to replace the piping at the Sewer Plant.

IDEM was here to inspect the Water System and everything went well.

Town and Country will be here Monday to go over roads for paving this year.

Kathy presented a bill from Point Services Corp for \$15,650.00 which is 50% of the Wastewater Systems Evaluation Project. Rex Chapman made a motion to pay Point Services Corp \$15,650.00 for their services. Brad Wilson seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Brook Volunteer Fire Dept.

Jonathan reported that the water heater at the Fire Station has gone out. He had a quote from Living Waters for a tankless water heater for \$5,171.00 and \$3,742.00 for a standard water heater. There was a quote from Jackson's for \$7,100.00 for a tankless and \$6,500.00 for a standard. The Board asked Jonathan to get a quote from EGC Heating and Cooling in Rensselaer.

Old Business

No Old business to discuss.

New Business

Letter from Jeff Conkle

We received a letter from Jeff Conkle of Big Canoe, Georgia requesting a zoning map and copies of Brook's full recent zoning ordinance. He is working on a Land Use Atlas, Inc. He also asked to have all fees waived. It was decided to scan the zoning section of the Town Ordinance and email it to him

Clerk/Treasurer Notes

Kathy reported that we had received \$270.00 from the Brook Iroquois Township Community Fund Drive and it has been deposited into the Unappropriated Park Fund.

The July meeting date will need to be changed due to the Newton County Fair. Rex Chapman made a motion to move the July meeting back one week to July 21, 2026. Brad Wilson seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Kathy presented a bill for the dumpsters for Town Wide Cleanup for \$3778.42. Brad Wilson made a motion to pay the invoice out of Vehicle Allocation in the Landfill Account. Rex Chapman seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Attorney

Corey Spear was here to represent Rebecca who was on vacation. The court date for the Ongoing Infraction Order for 540 W Howard is June 22, 2026 at 1:15 p.m.

Bart Woodward.

Bart Woodward asked if he could pour a sidewalk between the old theater building and the Museum. The Board said that he could.

Claims

Rex Chapman made a motion to pay claims. Brad Wilson 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).

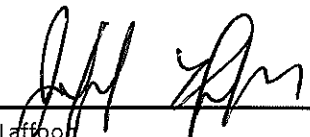
Rex Chapman made motion to adjourn the meeting, Brad Wilson seconded. All approved, motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kathy Babcock
Clerk/Treasurer

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Jeff Laffoon
Town Council President

X Rex L. Chapman

Rex Chapman
Town Council Member

X Brad Wilson

Brad Wilson
Town Council Member