

TOWN OF BELFAST
Minutes, Regular Meetingg
5/18/2015

Present: David Cox, Sandy Taber, Randy Ellison, Michael Hillman, Annette Kish, Bill Nichols, Sharon Collins, David Jennings, Patty Oliver

Community members present: Bob Kish, Bob Mackmer, Dennis Doell, John Morgan, Tim Atherton, Rick Smith

Supervisor Kish called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and all in attendance took part in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dennis Doell informed the Board of the happenings with the Lifeway Youth Organization. In 2012, the meeting place for the youth was the 3 Bums Pizza Parlor. When 3 Bums moved, the youth met in the Free Methodist Church. Brewer's Fitness Center contacted the group with an offer to sell the center to Lifeway. The group held a lasagna fundraising dinner in the Town Hall where they made \$1200 in donations and also received an anonymous check for \$8000. Enough additional money was collected to purchase the building and pay it off in two years.

On June 20th, the Lifeway Youth Group has reserved the park to host games, face-painting, bounce houses and a chicken bar-b-que. John Morgan, an evangelist and stunt man from Rochester, NY, asked the Board's approval of his performing a "Leap of Faith" stunt consisting of his being pulled by a motorcycle up ramps and driving through a wall of fire. Merton Avenue would be the location, and after the stunt John would give a 10 minute talk on how to make "the rest of your life the best of your life". There is no cost to the Town, however there will be a free will offering. Councilman Hillman made the motion to approve this activity pending verification of all insurances. Councilman Cox seconded. All aye. Carried

Payment of the bills were approved by roll call:

General	#80-103	\$5877.41
Water	#67-80-	\$12,530.09
Street Light	#5	\$1201.69
Highway	#78-98	\$35,682.39

Cox – aye, Taber – aye, Ellison – aye, Hillman – aye, Kish – aye

Minutes of the April 20, 2015 meeting were accepted with a motion from Councilman Ellison and a second from Councilman Hillman. All aye. Carried

The Supervisor's Report, dated April, 2015, was approved by a motion from Councilman Ellison and a second from Councilwoman Taber. All aye. Carried

The Town Clerk's Report, dated April, 2015, was approved by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second by Councilman Ellison. All aye. Carried

Highway Superintendent Nichols reported that the 2002 truck #21 has had the oil pan replaced and is back on the road at a cost of between \$2000 and \$3000. The VanAllen Road has been recycled (CHIPS project) and next will be the Little John Road for a partial recycle and patch. The grant/loan process through the USDA for a snowplow truck is moving along. He asked about the flags and banners for Memorial Day as his crew will put them up. It was determined that the Legion has the flags but many were in disrepair. Tim Atherton was asked to shop for new flags so they could be put up on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Councilman Cox questioned Mr. Nichols about the condition of Gleason Hill Road. Mr. Nichols stated there was not an easy fix for that road due to the creek and the pond and it would be an engineering issue.

Water Superintendent Jennings reported that many inside jobs have been completed and now they are concentrating on outside work and mowing. The 10 yr. old mower needs to be replaced and a new Cub Cadet from Burt Young costs \$4500 list, but he will sell to the Town for \$4000. Half the cost could come from the Water budget and half from General Fund. The old mower and other old items will be sent to Auctions International. Councilman Taber moved and Councilman Cox seconded to purchase the new mower. All aye. Carried

Mr. Jennings will see if there is a clause provision for changes in models for the parts to the backhoe. The cost of parts for the backhoe is prohibitive due to the fact that there are new part numbers that don't coincide with the parts needed to repair the backhoe.

Emory Owens arrived at this time (7:48 p.m.)

Mr. Jennings is receiving more information on the street lights, but has not had time to look over the list. There is a manufacturer who makes street light bases in two pieces, so he may be able to repair the broken bases on the street lights.

Assessor Sharon Collins stated that May 26th is Grievance Day from 4-8. May 19th she is meeting with a customer relations manager regarding the survey of vacant land.

Tim Atherton and Rick Smith left the meeting at this time, 8:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION #3-15 regarding the Town of Belfast using Allegany County as Lead Entity for filing Tax Freeze documentation was passed.

Hillman – aye, Taber – aye, Ellison – aye, Cox – aye, Kish – aye

Carried

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The Belfast Central School bus contract for the 2015 Summer Recreation program was passed as presented by motion from Councilwoman Taber and a second from Councilman Cox. All aye. Carried

Councilman Ellison moved and Councilwoman Taber seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Carried

Respectfully submitted

Patricia Oliver
Town Clerk