

**TOWN OF BELFAST
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 15, 2015**

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

Community members present: Bob Kish, Rick Smith, Jim Ace, Brad Atherton, Tim Atherton, Mike Brewer (arrived for court on wrong date and left at 7:10)

Supervisor Kish called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jim Ace, a highway employee, voiced concern regarding his retirement records. Supervisor Kish and Highway Superintendent Nichols will look into it.

Bills were approved as presented:	Street Lighting	#06	\$633.81
	Highway	#99-115	\$78,594.00
	Water	#81-91	\$5064.78
	General	#104-126	\$11,141.81

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

The May 18, 2015 minutes were accepted by a motion from Councilwoman Taber and a second from Councilman Hillman. All in favor. Carried

The Supervisor’s Report, dated May, 2015, was accepted with a motion from Councilman Cox and a second from Councilwoman Taber. All in favor. Carried

The Town Clerk’s Report, dated April, 2015, was approved by a motion from Councilman Ellison and a second from Councilman Cox. All in favor. Carried

Highway Superintendent Nichols reported that the VanAllen Road project has been finished, Chapel Street has been ground and sometime this summer a top coat will be put on, the GLF Road and Little John Road have been worked on and the Haskins Road still has to be worked on.

Tom Becker, the person helping with the grant for the new snow plow truck, has been in contact stating that it will be another two weeks before a meeting to know what the grant/loan combination for the new truck will amount to, but the grant could be as much as \$30,000. Bill would like to bid out the body by piggy backing on Oneida and the chassis by piggy backing off the Town of Eagle’s bid. The new truck will be a 2016 and cost around \$220,000. Councilman Ellison stated he would be more comfortable knowing the figures of the grant before going ahead and ordering anything. Councilwoman Taber moved and Councilman Ellison seconded to call a special meeting of the Town Board for June 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall to discuss this further. All in favor. Carried

Water Superintendent Jennings informed the Board that he attended a State Water Conference after the last board meeting. The State Health Department informed the attendees that as of now, 92% of water plants are in compliance. Belfast is one of those in compliance.

The Board was informed that there is grant money available to do a study of our current water plant. The study would take two years and out-of-pocket costs would amount to about \$2500. The question arose if a study was needed in order for dissolution of the current water plant and would this proposed study suffice for that. The subject was tabled by a motion from Councilwoman Taber and a second from Councilman Cox, and will be revisited at the special meeting of the Town Board on June 25th. All in favor. Carried

No action was taken on trading in of the backhoe and the issue will be revisited in the spring. Councilman Ellison suggested maybe the backhoe could be bartered out. Jennings also stated that all water test results were excellent.

Superintendent Kish asked Jennings if he could change out a camera installed by Austin Security so that it would show the vault area. He thought he could handle this.

New benches for the park are budgeted this year and there has been a request from the family of Julie Tavernier DeSanto that they be allowed to purchase a bench in memory of Julie. Councilman Ellison moved and Councilman Cox seconded to accept their memorial. All in favor. Carried

Assessor Collins shared that no one showed up for grievance day. She and Superintendent Kish will meet with a fellow from Rochester in a couple weeks regarding a reveal. She has been informed that there is not data collector at the moment.

The Lifeway "Leap of Faith" event has been cleared and all insurances are in compliance. The County has approved the use of East Hughes Street.

It was brought to the attention of the Board that a citizen of Belfast would like to have a "Farmer's Market" in the park. The Board had no problem.

Jim Ace left the meeting at 8:07, Brad Atherton left at 8:09 and Councilman Ellison called for adjournment at 8:11 p.m. with a second from Councilman Cox. All in favor. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver
Town Clerk

