

**TOWN OF BELFAST  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2016 MINUTES**

Present: Annette Kish, David Cox, Randy Ellison, Sandra Taber, Michael Hillman, David Jennings, Kevin Margerum, William Nichols, Patty Oliver

Community Present: Robert Kish, Tim Atherton, Rick Smith

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

Rick Smith requested clarification of raised fuel charges to the Fire Department. Mr. Nichols stated that a letter was attached to the fuel bill explaining the raise required to cover system maintenance and repairs to the system as well as increased insurance premiums. He also stated that the Belfast Central School received the same letter and the same 10 cent a gallon raise.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Taber and seconded by Councilman Ellison to approve the August bills as presented:

General	#170-195	\$6076.40	
Water	#109-119	\$8554.93	
Street Light	#07	\$636.95	
Highway	#130-151	\$46,489.99	
Taber-aye, Cox-aye, Ellison-aye, Kish-aye, Hillman-aye			Carried

Minutes of the August 15, 2016 meeting were approved by a motion from Councilman Cox and a second from Councilwoman Taber. Carried

The August, 2016 Supervisor's Report was approved by a motion from Councilwoman Taber and a second from Councilman Hillman. Carried

The August Town Clerk's Report for May accounts was approved by a motion from Councilman Ellison and a second from Councilman Cox. Carried

Highway Superintendent Nichols reported that King Street has been paved and the department has been busy doing ditching and mowing roadways. The '92 F350 was sold at Auctions International and brought \$5300 and some surplus chains brought \$62.50.

Water Superintendent Dave Jennings report included the following:

- Three calls to mark out water lines
- Three acid or chlorine leaks
- Plant ran 10 days this month and took water from Houghton 8 days
- Four night time alarms and 1 emergency dig notice

- Fixed flags on Main Street
- Repaired the air compressor at the plant
- Repaired check valves and injection valves at the plant
- Flushed all the dead end main lines in town
- With the help of the Highway Department, took out the fence along the front of the cemetery on Co. Rd. 26. Still have more work to do.
- Water leaks at 24 Merton Ave., and at 6660 Rte. 305. Assisted with repair on Merton Ave. The 305 leak was under the road and had to hire D&H from Arcade to push a new line under the road.

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Ellison seconded to approve Resolution#8-16

### **RESOLUTION #8-16**

#### **Title: Delinquent water bills to be levied on property owners taxes**

Delinquent water bills for users in the Town of Belfast are to be levied on the property owners' 2017 taxes by Allegany County. The filing date for said delinquent water bills for the Town of Belfast is October 14, 2016. Payment of such bills may be made at the Town Clerk's Office.

I, Patricia Oliver, Clerk of the Board of the Town of Belfast, County of Allegany, State of New York, do hereby certify this resolution, which was passed by said board on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

Kish-aye, Ellison-aye, Cox-aye, Taber-aye, Hillman-aye.

Carried

Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Margerum reported that Mr. Temple informed him he has hired Jonathan Miller's Amish crew to start the first part of October securing the house on Rt. 19. His six month grace period for bringing the property up to code is up in November. He will visit a questionable property on Rt. 305 with Supervisor Kish tomorrow.

A letter from the Department of Transportation addressing the request to set a speed limit on New Road was circulated among the Board. The DOT stated that "a speed limit reduction for New Road is not warranted". A copy of the DOT letter will be sent to Jeff Harrington, the person who initiated the request.

Councilwoman Taber and Councilman Hillman volunteered to do the Justice audit for 2016.

Supervisor Kish was given the go-ahead to sign Baldwin Business Services contract for next year.

Highway Superintendent Nichols informed the Board that he will replace retiree Brad Atherton with Robert Kish sometime in the middle of October.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m. with a motion from Councilman Ellison and a second from Councilwoman Taber.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver  
Town Clerk