

**TOWN OF BELFAST
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2018**

Present: Josh Cole, Sandy Taber, Mike Hillman, Tim Atherton, Bob Kish, Patty Oliver

Absent: Annette Kish, Kevin Margerum

Community Present: David Jennings, James Webb, Harold Short, Tom Yackeren, Brad Atherton, Bonnie Atherton, Rick Smith

In the absence of Supervisor Kish, Deputy Supervisor Taber called the meeting to order at 7:00. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town resident James Webb, 7948 Cloverleaf Road, voiced his concern regarding noise coming from an Amish saw mill that was erected without a building permit. The mill starts at 7:15 a.m. and rattles his windows. Mr. Webb was under the impression that Kevin Margerum, Code Enforcement Officer, would be at the meeting. In Kevin's absence, Mr. Webb was informed that the Town has no ordinances and in the past has relied on a "good neighbor policy". Kevin will be informed once again of the situation and order a building permit in compliance with code.

Harold Short from Short's Oil was present and expected Kevin Margerum to be at the meeting also. Mr. Short was asking for a variance for the Mobile station that is being extended and having tanks replaced. Both the Highway and Water departments had no issue with the variance other than requesting no overnight parking in the winter in order to plow snow. Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve the variance. All in favor. Carried

Mr. Short left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

The August bills were approved by roll call:

Highway	128-141	\$34,607.40
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Street Lighting	09	\$693.15
Water	108-116	\$2627.82
General	158-180	\$6927.83

Hillman – aye, Taber – aye, Cole – ayed, Kish – absent
All in favor. Carried

The minutes of the August 20, 2018 meeting were approved by a motion from Councilman Cole and a second from Councilman Hillman.

The Supervisor’s Report for the month of August was approved by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second from Councilman Cole. All in favor. Carried

The Town Clerk’s Report, dated August, 2018 for the July accounts, was approved by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second from Councilman Cole. All in favor. Carried

Water Superintendent Atherton reported the following:

- Dave Cox passed his IIB test and only needs a few more steps to become certified.
- TTHM’s and HAA5 water levels too high.
- Health Department has required Belfast to resume blending with Houghton.
- Have worked on Town Hall roof in attempt to stop leak in Fire Dept.
- Replaced light switches in Town Hall.
- Set up for Taste of Belfast, excellent turnout.
- Checked out Justice phone issue.
- Weed wacked sidewalks and blew off throughout Main St.
- Working on repairing generator
- Took down banners
- Installed three separate water meters for Ron Martin
- Ran new water connection at Short’s Mobile
- Investigated and ordered parts for flow meter at plant
- Met with Tyler Shaw, David Spring from the Health Department and also Annette, Sandy

Highway Superintendent Kish reported the following:

- Rented excavator for ditching, use every day
- Sherman and Laurel have been paved
- Lower Barragan on target for oil and stone
- Received \$7900 for truck 21
- Little John Road ditching done
- Priced and ordered loader tires (\$5500)
- Took tree down on Sherman and trimmed tree by Brian Morton
- Need to have stumps ground
- Helped fill in the hole from burning house on King Street
- Gleason Hill project will start the 18th
- Will begin hauling sand and salt in a week or two.

Kevin Margerum, Code Enforcement, was not here to give a report.

The Board was made aware of the new changes to the Enhanced STAR Program by way of letter from Russ Heslin, Assessor.

The Board was made aware of the CWSSI (County Wide Shared Services Initiative) meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 25 at 7 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers at the County Office Building in Belmont.

Resolutions for the CDBG Community Development Grant were tabled until the proper language for such resolutions could be established.

The following Resolution (5-18) regarding delinquent water bills was made by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second from Councilman Cole:

Town of Belfast

RESOLUTION 5-18

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 owner's 2019 taxes by Allegany County. The filing date for said delinquent water bills for the Town of Belfast is October 22nd, 2018. 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 17th day of September, 2018.

Offered by: Mike Hillman Seconded by: Josh Cole

Supervisor Kish	absent
Councilman Hillman	aye
Councilman Cole	aye
Councilwoman Taber	aye

Vote: Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Absent – 1

Patricia Oliver
Town Clerk

The Town Clerk presented the Tentative Budget for review to the Board. The Board will meet on September 27th at 6:00 to finish reviewing.

No date was set for review of the Policy Book.

Councilman Cole moved and Councilman Hillman seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. All attendees left the meeting leaving just Bob Kish, Josh Cole, Mike Hillman and Sandy Taber.

At 8:05 the meeting was called back into session. The only attendee returning was Clerk Oliver.

At 8:06 Councilman Hillman moved and Councilwoman Taber adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver
Town Clerk