

TOWN OF BELFAST
MINUTES, Regular Meeting
November 19, 2018

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

Community present: Jim Brundage, Robin Owens, Rick Smith, Maggie Thompson

Deputy Supervisor Sandy Taber called the meeting to order at 7:02 and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

James Brundage expressed a concern about the condition of last Friday's roads after the snow storm. Apologies were given to him regarding the condition of the roads after the unusual snow accumulation and the fact that there was a new person behind the plow on that day.

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve the bills dated October, 2018.

SL	#11	\$710.77
General	#199-217	\$5323.85
Water	#126-140	\$8104.01
Highway	#152-172	\$51,109.09

Hillman – aye, Cole – aye, Taber – aye. All in favor. Carried

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve the October 15, 2018 and the November 5, 2018 minutes as presented. All in favor. Carried

The Supervisor's Reports for September, 2018 and October, 2018 were approved by a motion from Councilman Cole and a second from Councilman Hillman. All in favor. Carried

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

The Water District Report contained the following information:

- Turned off water at cemetery and Fireman's Park for the winter
- Removed the community events sign from front of post office
- Replaced water pressure switch
- Fire Inspection at water plant.
- Re-inspected leak in Fire Hall ceiling
- 10/17 performed arsenic test...very small trace to none
- Checked out continuous problem with electricity at Town Hall
- David Cox worked with Highway to learn plow business
- Place fire hydrant winter markers throughout town

- Fire extinguishers were inspected throughout town buildings
- David Cox received NYS cert. of IIB Operator
- Removed and cleaned mower deck on Kubota, hooked up plow
- Backwash pump flow meter, leaking, ordered new one
- Read water meters and helped with billing
- Replaced old meters which batteries had failed
- Replaced battery is S-10
- Ordered new phosphate meter
- Water samples taken and mixing with Houghton as advised by DOH
- Worked on plumbing
- Worked on ladies bathrooms replacing flange
- 11/14 arsenic test done with good results
- Alarm going off in plant several times. Waiting to replace flow meter.
- Tim will advise David Cox that he is only to log on to Water computer when Town Clerk is in the office and asks for his help, and when all his other work is done

The Highway Report consisted of the following information:

- Worked for two weeks in the shop on plow equipment
- Winter studded tires installed
- Art McClay Road is done
- Grading on East River Road. In need of gravel
- Murray Hill starting to drop off. Will wait until spring to secure
- Gleason Hill project is almost complete
- Using Fred Demick's dozer and will clean up and store
- First snow had multiple calls on mail boxes. Heavy snow that the plow blades threw against mailboxes, tipping them over
- Couple seasonal road complaints
- Going through a lot of sand and have ordered another 200 ton
- Keeping track of the 1700 ton of sand per year supposed to receive from County
- Tearing the roller apart and putting new parts in the grade-all

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve the purchase and installation of carpet for the hallway and two offices from Carpet One of Olean . All in favor. Carried

Councilman Cole moved and Councilman Hillman seconded to approve the purchase of a four seat teeter-tauter for the Town Park with the understanding it be placed in the easiest spot to be mowed around, etc. All in favor. Carried.

Years ago there was a sign in the park with established hours of when folks could use the park. This will be investigated further.

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve the 2019 Belfast Town Budget as presented. All in favor. Carried

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve local law 1-20 which establishes Grievance Day as the second Tuesday following the fourth Tuesday in May. The Local Law 1-20 needs to be filed with the State as well as the assessor's office. All in favor. Carried

The Municipal Cooperation Agreement for Code Enforcement Services (MACE) contract was approved by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second from Councilman Cole. It was felt that the new structure has shown an attempt to account for monies received and expenses incurred. A yearly accounting will be received by the Town on a yearly basis. All in favor. Carried

The Board was apprised of a meeting by the school and community organizations looking to install a digital community sign somewhere in the Town. No action from the Town will be taken at this time.

The Board was informed that a private auditor has been contacted regarding doing an audit in the Town Hall for some select years. He will be starting December 21st and will charge \$500 per each year he is asked to audit.

Councilwoman Taber made the motion and Councilman Cole seconded to appoint Annette Kish as Town Supervisor to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Annette Kish in October. This appointment will take effect on November 20, 2018. All in favor. Carried

The meeting was adjourned by a motion from Councilman Cole at 8:05 and a second from Councilman Hillman.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver
Town Clerk