

**TOWN OF BELFAST
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 2018**

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

Community present: David Jennings, Robin Owens, Andy Chamberlain, Rick Smith, Maggie Thompson, Tom Yacker

Councilmen absent: Sandy Taber

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

The November bills were presented and approved by roll call:

Water	#141-150	\$3359.99		
General	#218-232	\$8205.39		
Street Light	#12	\$722.13		
Highway	#173-185	\$22010.14		
Cole-aye, Hillman-aye, Kish-aye			Taber-absent	All in favor. Carried

The minutes of the November 19, 2018 meeting were approved by a motion from Councilman Cole and a second from Councilman Hillman. All in favor. Carried

The November, 2019 Supervisor's Report was approved by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second from Councilman Cole. All in favor. Carried

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

The Belfast water report contained the following:

- Continued testing – methane and arsenic for DOH – good results
- Set trees in the park for the Christmas Tree Lighting event, strung garland, etc.
- Replaced flow valve on recycle pumps
- Christmas decorations throughout town
- Repaired pressure washer motor
- Library – removed air conditioner and garbage
- Replaced battery in back hoe
- Jeff Harrington questioned phosphate in water – town results where they should be – possibly laundry detergent making Laundromat levels high
- Cleaned flow valves

- Keeping sidewalks plowed and salted

The Highway report contained the following:

- Major problem on Murray Hill. Len Preston from County checked the eroding. Nothing can be done until spring. No water leak. Will have to move drainage pipe 4 to 6 feet.
- Plowing and taking care of roads
- Hauling gravel
- Hired Ryan Powers part time
- Major breakdown with tractor - \$1400 repair
- Opened fuel bids – Crabb Oil opted out, Rinker's \$1.67.9 for gas and \$2.1399 for diesel, Short's \$1.52 for gas and \$1.96 for diesel. Approved Short's from January 1 through December 31st, 2019.
- Gleason Hill pretty much done until spring
- Will check into grants for fire breaks in the Highway building as well as a grant for the Salt building
- Will work on getting three estimates for new roof on Highway building

Supervisor Kish reported that the auditor has verbally told her the following:

- Vault needs to be locked
- He has found some questionable vouchers in general and water (2009-2012)
- Every purchase needs a signature on the voucher
- He will inform her when he is returning to finish up

The 2019 Reorganizational Meeting was set for Thursday, January 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to appoint Kevin Margerum to the Board of Assessment Review. All in favor. Carried

Although Councilman Taber was not at the meeting, she wanted to express her opinion on the cross training for water billing and asked that Tim, David and Patty be involved in processing water bills.

Supervisor Kish stated that she will be working with Verizon to see that phone calls to different departments (highway, water, justice) will automatically transfer to those locations.

Councilman Cole moved and Councilman Hillman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver, Town Clerk