

**TOWN OF BELFAST  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
June 18, 2018**

Present: Sandra Taber, Josh Cole, Diana Grastorf, Mike Hillman, Robert Kish, Kevin Margerum, Tim Atherton, Patty Oliver

Absent: Annette Kish

Community present: Sheree Gielow, Ann Galvin, Calvin Smith, David Cox

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Deputy Supervisor Sandra Taber and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sheree Gielow showed the Board a plaque she ordered for Scott Burt to congratulate him for his 10 years of dedication to the Boxing Hall of Fame in Belfast and his hard work in promoting boxing as well as the Town of Belfast. She is willing to present the plaque to him at the event scheduled for the first week of July. A good will offering was taken by the Board to reimburse Sheree for the price of the plaque. Sheree and Ann Galvin left the meeting at 7:05.

Calvin Smith, the Free Methodist Pastor, attended the meeting to present a new diagram of a possible building project the church is considering. There seemed to be no issues with the project and Councilman Hillman moved to issue a variance if needed. Councilwoman Grastorf seconded and all were in favor. Carried. Pastor Smith left the meeting at 7:10.

The May bills were approved by roll call with the correction on the General abstract of voucher # 121 being changed from \$1000 to \$100.

Highway	87-100	\$28,879.62
Water	75-86	\$5083.66
General	116-132	\$4140.93
Street Lighting	07	\$689.68

Taber-aye, Cole-aye, Grastorf-aye, Hillman-aye                      All in favor.      Carried

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilwoman Grastorf seconded to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2018 meeting. All in favor. Carried

The May, 2018 Supervisor's Report was approved by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second by Councilman Cole. All in favor. Carried

The Town Clerk's Report dated June, 2018 for the month of May, 2018, was approved by a motion from Councilwoman Grastorf and a second from Councilman Cole. All in favor. Carried

Water Superintendent Tim Atherton reported that there were about 13 visitors for the June 7, 2018 Open House, the Health Department being one of the visitors. They were complementary. Many water tests have been taken this month and all are looking good. The Park was readied for Memorial Day and trees on Main Street were mulched. Attended class in Hornell on Lead and Copper in water systems, along with mowing, trimming, and making repairs took up the rest of work days. Determined that if a gazebo is in fact to be erected by the Library in memory of Janine Preston, the best place would be by the parking lot in between the two lights. Because of recent problems with young people, the Library needs to realize they will be responsible to maintain this structure and it will not be a Town problem.

Highway Superintendent Kish reported that the accountant stated that a formal motion needs to be made to transfer money from one Highway account to another Highway account to pay for the truck box, approximately \$48,000. Councilman Hillman made that motion and Councilwoman Grastorf seconded. All in favor. Carried

The Highway Department has been hauling stone, oiling and stoning on Gleason Hill and getting ready to change a pipe on Little John. He met with BCS officials who would like school children to be able to use the Town sheds in case of emergency. Also, there are two trees on South Street by the concession stand that are bad and should be removed. Bob will contact Bo Preston as an independent contractor for the cost of taking them down. He stated that Laurel and Sherman Streets can be micro-paved for a cost of about \$26,000 whereas the cost to pave Sherman St. from 19 to Angel was estimated at \$40,000. Belfast has also been helping other towns.

July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2 p.m. Mr. Pullen and Mr. Tierney from the Teamster Health Insurance audit will meet along with any board members who are able to attend. Councilman Hillman and Councilwoman Grastorf are not available on that day.

Kevin Margerum, Code Enforcement Officer, reported that he finally had a meeting with Dana Cline who did knock down a few weeds on his property. He stated Gary Cassady does not understand issues with his property, the double wide mess on 305 has been mostly taken care with the exception of a few little piles, he has not been able to find anyone to speak with about the Davenport property to enforce the Zombie Law. He will check out the Duke Kemp property which seems to be abandoned (E. Hughes St.) and no action has been taken by the Health Department regarding the Cody Cobb property on Sherman Street.

Deputy Superintendent Taber read a letter from Superintendent Kish who is experiencing some health issues and needs to take some time off. Deputy Superintendent Taber will make herself available when needed in Superintendent Kish's absence.

A letter from the Department of Taxation and Finance was read congratulating the Town and Russ Heslin, Assessor, for meeting the requirements for aid for Cyclical Reassessment on the 2017 Assessment Roll. Because of this completion of reappraisal at 100%, the Town is eligible for Aid in the amount of up to \$5.00 per parcel.

The Belfast Fire Department verbally requested they be allowed to charge a nominal \$15.00 fee for use of the BarBQ pits in the park. Because the Fire Department and the Legion supposedly are in charge of the pits, the consensus was the Fire Department can do what they want but they also need to collect the fees and schedule the calendar of usage of said pits.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m. with a motion from Councilwoman Grastorf and a second from Councilman Cole. All in favor. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver  
Town Clerk