

**TOWN OF BELFAST
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
August 20, 2018**

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

Absent: Diana Grastorf

Community Present: David Cox, Rick Smith, Joe Foley, Anthony Iacono, Phil Stockin, Paul Curcio

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

Phil Stockin was present to answer questions regarding the resignation of Kevin Margerum, Code Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector. He stated that because Kevin was not going to be full time with the Caneadea Consortium, Kevin was not required to sign a no compete statement. However, if in fact the job becomes full-time (5 days a week), he will need to sign such a statement.

Mr. Stockin was apologetic regarding misunderstandings that have been ongoing between the Rushford Consortium and Belfast and explained that there had been questions asked that he just did not know or have access to the answers. However, with this new consortium, things will be completely transparent and a monthly report will be delivered to each town. He did tell the Board that it would be acceptable for Kevin to work for Belfast on a month to month basis until Belfast makes up its mind about joining the Caneadea Consortium or going out on its own. Mr. Stockin left the meeting at 7:30.

Paul Curcio addressed the Board regarding the cannons that used to be in the Town Park, but were used for scrap in 1942 during World War II. Each town had to donate a certain amount of scrap for the war effort. The Committee for Restoring Cannons to the Town Park needs a letter from the Town of Belfast requesting they pursue acquiring replacement cannons. Councilman Hillman moved and Councilwoman Taber seconded to send the committee such a letter and they will present it to the American Legion. The Town will be under no monetary obligation, but if and when cannons are placed in the Park, the Town will be responsible for maintenance of such cannons. All in favor. Carried

Paul Curcio, Joe Foley and Tony Iacono left at 7:35.

Water Superintendent Atherton's report included the following:

- Attention to the fire department roof leak
- Waiting for a letter from Brad Sick for clearance to cease Houghton water
- Wooden surrounds around the swing set and slide are rotted and need replacement. A rubber/plastic product was suggested

- Mowing, trimming, cleaning roof and eaves at Town Hall
- Water line broken twice during work at the Mobile to remove old tanks
- Replaced meter heads on water meters, checked several complaints regarding water bills, flushed water lines, together David and Tim did water testing
- Read water meters for billing

The July bills were approved for payment from a motion by Councilman Hillman and a second from Councilman Cole.

Street Lighting	#08	\$703.91
Water	#95-107	\$4855.40
General	#141-157	\$5472.49
Highway	#115-127	\$8637.49

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

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to accept the Supervisor’s Report dated July, 2018. All in favor. Carried

The minutes of the July 16, 2018 meeting were approved by a motion from Councilwoman Taber and a second by Councilman Cole. All in favor. Carried

Councilman Cole moved and Councilwoman Taber seconded to approve the Town Clerk’s Report dated July, 2018 for the June accounts. All in favor. Carried

Highway Superintendent Kish’s Report included the following:

- Little John Road pipe project finished
- Have ground Sherman and Laurel and waiting for weather to cooperate
- Cleaned, ditched and graded Art McClay Road
- Truck #21 at auction and up to \$7300 (expected not more than \$5000) with a few days to go
- Loader needs four new tires
- Received estimates for air conditioning charging unit of \$3001. Will wait until October or November for final approval to purchase
- Shrubbery on King and Sherman is only 20’ off center road and should be 25’. Bob will have conversation with the owner to see if there is a solution to make everyone happy. Right now it is a safety concern and has been for years.
- Gradeall is out of service. One could be purchased, leased or rented as needed. At the moment, it seems like renting would be the best option.

Supervisor Kish informed the Board that the Teamster insurance issue has been rectified with no financial repercussions to the town.

She has sent CDBG grant letter to Dave Pullen for review before she signs anything that will close out our obligations with that organization.

Executive sessions was called at 8:17 p.m. by a motion from Councilwoman Taber and a second from Councilman Cole, the purpose of which was to discuss personnel matters. Everyone was excused except for Taber, Kish, Cole, Hillman and Clerk Oliver.

The Board was back in regular session at 8:35 with a motion from Councilman Cole and a second from Councilman Hillman. Bob Kish returned to the meeting.

Councilwoman Taber moved and Councilman Cole seconded to accept the resignation from Code Enforcement and Building Inspector Kevin Margerum, effective August 31, 2018, noting that he was not given an ultimatum of needing to resign from Belfast if he was going to go with the Caneadea Consortium. All in favor. Carried

Councilwoman Grastorf's resignation from the Belfast Town Board, effective August 20, 2018, was accepted with no comment or discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. with a motion by Councilwoman Taber and a second from Councilman Hillman. All in favor. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver
Town Clerk