

**TOWN OF BELFAST
MINUTES
9-20-2021**

Town Officials Present: Mike Hillman, Andrew Chamberlain, Josh Cole, David DeRock, David Jennings, Tim Atherton, Robert Kish, Mike Unfus, Patty Oliver

Others present: Beth Hazelton, David Cox (arrived at 7:05), Richard Buck (arrived at 7:30)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no town residents posing questions or concerns.

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve the bills as presented:

Water	75-116	\$9,241.11
General	153-169	\$6,278.54
Highway	104-116	\$75,853.51
Street Lighting	09	\$684.58

Hillman-aye, Chamberlain-aye, Cole-aye, DeRock-aye, Jennings-aye
All in favor Carried

The August, 2021 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 August, 2021 for the July accounts was approved by a motion from Councilman Cole and a second from Councilman DeRock. All in favor
Carried

The water report submitted by Tim Atherton, Water Superintendent, contained the following information:

- All water samples taken are good
- Flushed hydrants on Pike Street
- Mowing and trimming
- Lead and copper samples to the lab
- Helped highway pour sidewalks on Angel St.
- Meters and working on updates, conversation with Chris regarding new meters, will still be a while
- Hydrants flow test around town
- Helped to set up for Taste of Belfast at Town Hall and park
- Set up for Board meeting

- Turned water off at 22 Chestnut St.
- Attended class in Hammondsport on 9/15

Bob Kish, Highway Superintendent, reported the following:

- Paving is done
- Finished drainage on Chestnut
- Finished sidewalk on Angel
- Will start drainage behind library
- More sidewalks to do in town
- Tractor has been down again
- Still waiting on pipe
- Will be doing some patching next week
- Possibly doing Cloverleaf Road
- Nothing on the River Bridge

Councilman DeRock questioned Bob about the condition of Ramsey Road. Bob admitted it does need attention and is scheduled for resurface.

Code Officer Mike Unfus reported:

- No change/info on Davenport property
- No change/info on Stanton property
- No change on Cassady property, but no indication that anyone is living there
- Wolfe property has been attempt at mowing
- Allegany Grill property has been mowed and lumber removed. Questioned regarding condemning property? Will make contact with new phone number
- Kevin Margerum is dealing with issue on Tibbetts Hill
- Conversation with Rich Buck informing him that it is easier to repeal and then replace Local Law than to make changes to existing Local Law
- Looking for a third Code Officer

Mike was informed that Ada Troyer, midwife on Cloverleaf Road, needs railings on her porch and if possible a handicap ramp for when the ambulance needs to transport cases from her residence.

Richard Buck arrived at 7:30 p.m.

Beth Hazelton reported for the Belfast Library. She stated that the carpets need to be shampooed and the bushes out front need attention, perhaps removed and replaced with something easier to be maintained. They are applying for a construction grant for an

addition to the library and passed out diagrams. The Children's Library would be demolished, an addition and additional parking would be added.

Supervisor Jennings stated he was impressed with the work the Library Board has been doing.

Leslie Clagett's Dog Control Officer report included that she or her deputy has responded to three different calls and have picked up one dog and placed him in the Caneadea kennel for three days.

Attorney Rich Buck presented pros and cons for the adoption of a Local Law regarding the use of ATV's on town roads. Ideally, a color-coded county map with county, municipal and state roads would make it easy to connect trails and access roads, however this has not yet happened. He suggested that the Town start with fewer roads and then add more later. Also, roads adjacent to State lands cannot be on the list.

Councilman Hillman moved and Council Cole seconded to approve a Local Law regarding the use of ATV's on Town roads, the fee for which would be \$50 per vehicle per year for a registration sticker that would help defray the cost of road signs and administration costs. A copy of the Local Law would be given at the time of registration and the registrant would be required to sign a statement that they have received a copy of the Local Law which contains the rules and regulations for use of ATV on public roads.

Hillman-aye, Cole-aye, Chamberlain-aye, Jennings-aye, DeRock-nay
Passed and carried

Mr. Buck will see that the correct paperwork is forwarded to the Town Clerk.

Councilman Hillman, Supervisor Jennings and Attorney Buck will meet next week to discuss further the Non-union Policy Book, the Mobile Home Local Law changes, the Property Maintenance changes prepared by Kevin and the proposal of a local law prohibiting use of tobacco products on Town property.

David Cox left the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Beth Hazelton left at 8:15 p.m.

Over \$80000 was deposited into the General Fund from the American Rescue Plan money. The rest will be awarded next year. Someone is coming on the 27th to give an estimate on installing a generator. The Town needs to keep a separate file on expenditures from the ARP monies.

The Legion and Dan Winans have not reached out regarding the Veteran flags they proposed several meetings ago.

The Alfred students have given a preliminary presentation of their ideas for enhancing the Town of Belfast and will hold their final presentation on October 11 at 8 a.m. in the Town Hall. Councilman Chamberlain has the computer link that one can view their preliminary presentation on.

Attorney Buck left the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman DeRock seconded to approve Resolution 5-21 stating “The Board of the Town of Belfast authorizes the Belfast Town Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2021-22 grant cycle up to \$30,000.00.” All in favor
Carried

Councilman Hillman moved and Councilman Cole seconded to approve Resolution 4-21 setting the date of Delinquent Water Bills to be levied on County taxes as October 22, 2021. All in favor
Carried

Supervisor Jennings reminded the Board of the Budget Workshop set for 7:30 on Monday, September 27 in the Town Hall.

Councilman Cole moved and Councilman Hillman seconded to apply for a grant for a free Canal marker. Supervisor Jennings stated it may be too late for this year and we may need to wait until spring. All in favor
Carried

Councilman Hillman expressed concern about the parking on Main Street on Thursday nights during the Slocum auctions. From the street corners there is no visibility and he’s afraid there is going to be an accident. Several suggestions for parking lots were discussed. Highway Superintendent Kish said he could have cones placed on the corners until there is a better solution.

Councilman Chamberlain moved and Councilman Hillman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver
Town Clerk

