

City of Belfast
Council Chambers-Belfast City Hall
Tuesday, July 18, 2017
Committee Interviews 5:30 p.m.
Regular Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Public Hearing #1

Pursuant to Belfast Victualer License Ordinance a public hearing will be held on July 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers of Belfast City Hall on a renewal application for a Victualer's License for Tammy Benecke d/b/a Country Rose located at 100 Searsport Ave., Belfast, ME, license to expire May 31, 2018.

Public Hearing #2

The Belfast City Council, at its meeting of Tuesday, July 18, 2017, beginning at 7:00 pm or as soon as practical thereafter, in the Council Chambers of Belfast City Hall which is located at 131 Church St, shall conduct a public hearing regarding proposed amendments to the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 62, Utilities, Article II, Sanitary Sewer, Sec 62-35, Sewer Charges. The Council, in adopting these amendments, also intends to increase current sewer charges for the connection to and use of public sewers and to make changes in how fees are calculated.

Persons who may be affected by this proposal are encouraged to attend the July 18 public hearing and to offer comment. Alternatively, comment can be submitted in writing to Wayne Marshall, City Planner, City of Belfast, 131 Church St, Belfast, ME, 04915, or by email to wmarshall@cityofbelfast.org. The proposed amendments can be viewed on the City website, cityofbelfast.org, reference Planning and Codes tab, and a copy is available for inspection at the Code and Planning Offices in City Hall during normal business hours, Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. Questions regarding the proposal should be directed to Wayne Marshall, City Planner, at 338-1417 x 25, or by email at wmarshall@cityofbelfast.org.

Public Hearing #3

The City of Belfast City Council, at its meeting of Tuesday, July 18, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m. or as soon as practical thereafter, in the Council Chambers of Belfast City Hall, which is located at 131 Church Street, shall conduct a public hearing regarding adoption of a proposed extension to an existing Moratorium to prohibit the following activities that will be permitted by the 'Marijuana Legalization Act': operation of a marijuana retail sale establishment, operation of a marijuana cultivation establishment for retail sale, and operation of a marijuana retail social club. The City Council, at its meeting of January 3, 2017, adopted a moratorium for 180 days to prohibit such activities, and now intends to extend this moratorium for an additional 180 days and to have the extension of this moratorium be retroactive to July 2, 2017. The purpose of this

proposed Moratorium is to enable City officials and the community an opportunity to decide how Belfast may want to establish local regulations that would apply to the operation of the newly permitted activities regarding marijuana. Belfast does not intend to act on local regulations until after the State adopts its regulations; the State has not yet enacted regulations.

Persons who may be affected by the proposed Moratorium are encouraged to attend the July 18 public hearing and to offer comment. Alternatively, comment can be submitted in writing to Wayne Marshall, City Planner, City of Belfast, 131 Church St, Belfast, ME, 04915, or by email to wmarshall@cityofbelfast.org. The language for the proposed Moratorium can be viewed on the City website, cityofbelfast.org, reference Planning and Codes tab, and a copy is available for inspection at the Code and Planning Offices in City Hall during normal business hours, Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. Questions regarding the proposal should be directed to Wayne Marshall, City Planner, at 338-1417 x 25, or by email at wmarshall@cityofbelfast.org.

Public Hearing #4

In accordance with the Belfast City Charter a public hearing will be held to discuss the proposed budget for the City of Belfast 2017-2018 fiscal year. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter in the Council Chambers of Belfast City Hall at 131 Church Street, Belfast, Maine. The hearing will also be broadcast live on Bel-TV, Time Warner Cable Channel 7.

A copy of the proposed budget may be found in the July 6, 2017 edition of the Republican Journal and also on the City of Belfast web site at www.cityofbelfast.org. The complete proposed budget may be examined weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the office of the City Treasurer.

All citizens are invited to attend and will have the opportunity to give written and/or oral comments at the hearing. Written comments need to be received prior to the hearing in order to be considered. The Council Chambers - Belfast City Hall is handicap accessible. If there are any questions please feel free to contact the City Clerk's Office Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 338-3370.

Regular Council Meeting No. 2

1) Call to order

2) Roll call: Mayor Walter Ash, Jr.; Councilors Mary Mortier, Neal Harkness, Eric Sanders, Michael Hurley and John Arrison, City Manager Joseph Slocum, and Admin. Assistant Manda Cushman.

3) Pledge of Allegiance

4) Adoption of the agenda

5) Acceptance of the minutes

Regular Council Meeting of July 5, 2017.

6) Open to the public

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7) Communications

8) Old Business and Council Committee Reports

9) Permits, Petitions and Licenses - Consent Agenda

- A. Request to approve a renewal application for a Victualer's License for Tammy Benecke d/b/a Country Rose located at 100 Searsport Ave. Belfast, ME, license to expire May 31, 2018.
- B. Request to approve an off premises catering permit for The Crusty Crab LLC d/b/a The Front Street Pub for the Maine Celtic Celebration located at the Belfast Commons Park from 10:00 a.m. on July 14, 2017 to 10:00 p.m. on July 16, 2017.

10) Business

- A) Consideration of possible Committee appointments.
- B) Request from the Garden Club for permission to place a sign that promotes their fundraising activities.
- C) Consideration and possible adoption of the City Budget for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.
- D) Second Reading on a proposed extension of the moratorium currently prohibiting the creation of marijuana facilities in Belfast.
- E) Request the Economic Development Director to transfer funds from the Airport Maintenance Reserve to pay for maintenance related expenses.
- F) Second Reading and propose amendments to the City Code of Ordinances regarding sewer connection fees.
- G) Further consideration of the proposal to remove a large shade tree at 220 Main St.
- H) Request to accept trust funds for the perpetual care of the Cemetery for the fiscal year 2016 – 2017.
- I) Update on sidewalk projects.

J) Discussion on the types of new bollards for the Harbor Walk.

K) Update and discussion on repairs needed for the well at the Head of the Tide.

L) Request going to executive session to discuss an economic development matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) C.

M) Request going to executive session to discuss personnel matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) A.

N) Signing of Council Orders

11) Open to the Public

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12) Communications

13) Adjourn