

**City of Belfast  
Council Chambers-Belfast City Hall  
Tuesday, September 15, 2020  
Regular Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.**

**All City Council Meetings will be conducted online using Zoom and can be streamed on the City website at [www.cityofbelfast.org](http://www.cityofbelfast.org). They will air live on BEL TV as well as on Belfast Community Radio WBFY 100.9.**

**Regular Council Meeting No. 6**

**1) Call to order**

**2) Roll call:** Mayor Eric Sanders; Councilors Mary Mortier, Neal Harkness, Brenda Bonneville, Michael Hurley and Paul Dean, City Manager Erin Herbig, and Admin. Assistant Manda Cushman.

**3) Pledge of Allegiance**

**4) Adoption of the agenda**

**5) Acceptance of the minutes**

Regular Council Meeting of September 1, 2020.

**6) A. Open to the public**

**Members of the public who wish to submit announcements, questions or comment for the City Council can email [public@cityofbelfast.org](mailto:public@cityofbelfast.org) or mail to City of Belfast, 131 Church Street, Belfast, ME 04915. We ask that you include your name and residence as comments will be included as part of the public record, and that all comments be sent prior to the date and time of the meeting, with a deadline of noon the day of the meeting. Please see the City website for how best to observe remotely for all other meetings.**

**The City Council will also be utilizing the Zoom Webinar feature to allow for public input by allowing for virtual participation. There will be a website address that will serve as the link to the Zoom meeting and will be on the City website in advance of the meeting. There will also be a phone number next to the website address that will enable someone to participate, even if they are experiencing technical difficulties. There is no requirement to register for Webinars. The Chat function will be disabled.**

**The public will be allowed to speak at the meeting, but only during the public comment period. When it is time for the person to have their opportunity to speak, the host will accept them**

into the meeting. The public will only have access to audio. Video uses large amounts of bandwidth, and City Staff feels it is best to be proactive with these technical issues.

## **B. Organization and Department Reports**

### **7) Communications**

### **8) Old Business and Council Committee Reports**

- Consideration of setting up an interview for a Library Trustee applicant.

### **9) Permits, Petitions and Licenses - Consent Agenda**

- A.** Request to approve an application for 3 coin operated machines for Bowen's Tavern LLC d/b/a Bowen's Tavern located at 181 Waterville Road, Belfast, ME.

### **10) Business**

**A)** Update from the City Clerk regarding the November 3, 2020 Election.

**B)** Request by property owner adjacent to the Rail Trail to replace and expand fencing along City property.

**C)** Request from the City Manager to appoint Bernard "Bub" Fournier as the City's new Director of Code and Planning.

**D)** Request from the Economic Development Director to have the City Council approve updated documents required to complete project development phase requirements for Community Development Block Grants.

**E)** Public Hearing regarding the City of Belfast's acceptance of a Community Development Block Grant Public Service Grant and a Community Development Block Grant Community Enterprise Grant.

**F)** Request from the Economic Development Director to have the City Council authorize the acceptance of a \$100,000 Community Development Block Grant Public Service Grant and a \$44,335 Community Development Block Grant Community Enterprise Grant.

**G)** Request from the Public Works Director to appoint Benjamin Clark as a mechanic for the Belfast Public Works Department.

**H)** Request from the Public Works Director for permission to sell the departments 2008 International.

**I)** Request from the Parks and Recreation Director to expend up to \$10,000 from the Capital Project Pool Resurfacing Account to start the Pool Resurfacing Project.

**J)** Request from the Climate Crisis Committee to expend up to \$1,600 from the Capital Project Climate Change Committee Account to purchase a tide gauge.

**K)** Request from the Climate Crisis Committee to expend up to \$540 from the Capital Project Climate Change Committee Account to purchase materials for observation sites.

**L)** First Reading on the 2020-2021 General Assistance Ordinance and State derived maximum benefits for General Assistance requests.

**M)** Request from City Treasurer and Tax Collector to deem five Personal Property accounts as uncollectable.

**N)** Request from the City Manager and Our Town Belfast to extend Curbside Belfast until Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> and permission for businesses to use sidewalks to host a "Curbside Belfast Sidewalk Sale" on October 10th through 12th, 2020.

**O)** Request from the City Cemetery Superintendent to transfer funds, not to exceed \$1,200 from the HM Payson Cemetery Trust Fund to expense account #630-504 for seasonal flower arrangements for Grove Cemetery for fiscal year 2020-2021.

**P)** Request from Councilor Hurley to approve up to \$500.00 for preparing a case statement for a requested exemption to the Maine Department of Transportation.

**Q)** Request to go into an Executive Session on a Personnel matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) A.

**R)** Signing of Council Orders

## **11) Communications**

## **12) Adjourn**