

**City of Belfast
Council Chambers-Belfast City Hall
Tuesday, March 17, 2015
6:15 p.m.**

The meeting will start at 6:15 p.m. for an Executive Session and will come back into a public session at 7:00 pm

Request from the City Manager to go into Executive Session to discuss a possible land transaction under 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) C.

7:00 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting No. 18

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 March 3, 2015.

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 Facility Use application by The American Lung Association for the 2015 Trek Across Maine event to be held in Belfast on Sunday, June 21st.

10) Business

A) Request from the Fire Chief to name Michael Sealy as a full time paramedic.

B) Request from the Earth Day's / Waldo County Committee to use City Facilities:
#1 Use the Boathouse for free on Sunday, April 26.
#2 To conduct Earth Day activities at Steamboat Landing that same day.
#3 To run a non-motorized parade from Waterfall Arts to the Boathouse from 11:00 a.m. to noon.

C) Request from the Parks Department, the YMCA and several other local groups to allow for the closure of Main Street between High Street and Church Street from 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 as part of a Hawaiian Day Belfast Celebration.

D) Request from the Belfast Co-op to close High Street from Main Street to Beaver Street on August 22, 2015 as part of their Annual Community Appreciation Day.

E) Second Reading of proposed changes to the Harbor Ordinance Chapter 30 Sections 30 –32 and 30 –94 as follows:
#1 Defines both resident and non-resident Commercial Fishermen and Commercial Businesses and #2 Establishes a priority for assigning moorings under these definitions.

F) Request from Our Town Belfast to post signage in the Downtown.

G) Second Reading of proposed changes to the Harbor Ordinance Chapter 30, Section 30 –164 which makes clear that moorings in the Outer Harbor or Coastal Harbors, which have not been used for two years, may be considered as abandoned.

H) Request from the City Manager to:
#1 Close out certain Capital Projects because they are completed.
#2 Combine certain Capital Projects because they are related to the same issues

I) Update from the Economic Development Director on the issue of extending broadband technology in Belfast.

J) Consideration of a request from the Planning Department to accept bids on the removal of ledge at the intersection of Route 1 and Route 141 and to consider awarding the bid.

K) Update from the Planning Director on environmental cleanup issues along Washington Street and possible relocation of electric polls in this area.

L) Request from the City Manager for the Council to approve his administrative policies as City Policies for the handling of General Assistance applications in Belfast.

M) Request from CMP to replace certain telephone poles along Route 141.

N) Consideration of possible appointments to the Mid-Coast Planning Commission.

O) Request from the Parks and Recreation Director for support for a private grant to upgrade the entrance around the flag pole at City Park.

P) Signing of Council Orders

11) Open to the Public

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12) Communications

13) Adjourn