

**City of Belfast
Council Chambers-Belfast City Hall
Tuesday, February 2, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

Regular Council Meeting No. 15

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 January 19, 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 an off premises catering permit for The Otis Group Incorporated d/b/a Rollie's Bar & Grill for the "Ohmybidness" fundraiser located at the Waldo County Shrine Club, 85 Northport Ave., Belfast, Maine on January 30, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- B.** Request to approve an off premises catering permit for Crusty Crab LLC d/b/a The Front Street Pub for the "The Burns Supper" hosted by the Maine Celtic Celebration located at the Waldo County Shrine Club, 20 Northport Ave., Belfast, Maine on January 23, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.

10) Business

- A)** Discussion on future charges for fire protection for the Town of Swanville.
- B)** Update from RSU #71 on financial legal claims involving RSU #20.
- C)** Updated report and recommendations on the use of herbicides in Belfast Common.
- D)** Request that the City join other cultural organizations led by the Belfast Creative Coalition to develop a cultural plan for the Belfast area.

E) Request from the Creative Coalition for the City to participate in an economic impact study of the arts and culture and Waldo County and provide funding up to \$1,500 to match \$8,500 already conferred from State and local sources.

F) Request for slight modifications to recently established Boathouse fees and rules.

G) Discussion over statutory opportunity for the City to purchase land owned by the Belfast Water District that is deemed by the Water District Trustees to be no longer needed.

H) Consideration of a recommendation from the Belfast Parks and Recreation Commission to permit the use of Belfast Common for the creation of a public "labyrinth" to be funded by the Friends of Belfast Parks.

I) Request from the Parks and Recreation Commission to use up to \$5,000 from the Parks Capital Reserve account to hire a company to help design and develop cost estimates for a new Skateboard Park in Belfast.

J) Request from the Parks and Recreation Director to renew the concession agreement at City Park.

K) Update from the Police Chief on various law enforcement issues within the City.

L) Update from the City Planner on the Front Street Re-construction Project.

M) Requests from the Public Works Director to accept the bids submitted for a vacuum sweeper truck and to award the bid as recommended.

N) Update on the environmental cleanup by CMP on Washington Street.

O) Update on outdoor lighting issues in the City.

P) Request from the City Manager to go into Executive Session to discuss a Real Estate matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) C.

Q) Signing of Council Orders

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12) Communications

13) Adjourn