



CITY OF BELFAST

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MANAGER'S REPORT

Belfast City Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

7:00 p.m.

TO: Mayor Walter Ash Jr. and Honorable Members of Belfast City Council

FROM: Joseph J. Slocum, City Manager

DATE: Friday, September 30, 2016

Agenda Items:

10-A Second Reading on a request to amend the General Assistance Ordinance.

Every year we are required by the State to update the dollar values for various types of assistance that are offered under the General Assistance Program. Attached in the packet is the States updated list of recommended maximum levels of assistance for a variety of human needs. The State sets maximums for individual items such as food, electricity or rent but then sets up an overall maximum they cannot be exceeded when you add up these individual items. We are required to adopt maximums in order to be eligible for reimbursement. We will be eligible for 70% reimbursement.

The State allows us a choice when it comes to housing. We can adopt their recommended housing maximum for a one-bedroom heated apartment at \$671 a month or instead we can use the overall maximum of assistance as the housing maximum (\$741). Our assistance does not exceed the overall maximum but we could spend the entire maximum on housing if that was the critical need of the applicant. Our General

Assistance Administrator Pam Chase has recommended that the Council adopt the new maximums for individual items of assistance but when it comes to housing she is requesting that you give her the authority to consider using the overall maximum for assistance as the maximum for housing assistance if she determines that it is needed on any particular application.

The question is whether we want to be in a position to offer greater assistance for housing if at the time of the application, it does not appear that there is housing in Belfast available within the State recommended limits. If you adopt the maximum allowance for all benefits as the maximum for housing it would give the General Assistance Administrator more flexibility by allowing her to spend more on housing than the recommended housing limits.

This is the Second Reading, the Council may vote on this request at this meeting. You will have the opportunity to discuss these changes and any question you may have with the General Assistance Administrator at the meeting.

10-B Update from Our Town Belfast on the 'Please Be Seated' project, and a request to permanently install/ give two benches to the City of Belfast.

In your packet is a memo from Bre Bebb the Executive Director of Our Town Belfast which addresses this issue. She will be at the meeting to answer any questions you may have. If these benches were to be located in parks they would first have to receive the approval and recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission pursuant to City Ordinance.

10-C Update on establishing a Community Radio Station in Belfast.

Councilmember Neil Harkness will provide this update at the meeting. There's a fundraising effort going on to raise the money. The station would have to be up and running by January 21 or we will lose the opportunity to have it. Anyone interested in participating on raising the money and getting the station set up can contact the City Manager's office and speak with Nora McGrath at 338-3370 ext 19.

10-D Request from City Public Works Director Bob Richards to appoint two new employees.

He has recommended Scott Sawyer to fill one laborer truck driver position and Gary Faulkner to fill the other laborer/ truck driver/ position.

10-E Rail Trail Update.

Pursuant to City Ordinance Chapter 10, Animals, Article II, Dogs Section 32 as amended on June 18, 2013:

“All dogs shall be leashed when in picnic areas located in Heritage Park, the City pier, any railroad waterfront property owned by the City, Belfast Common, Steamboat Landing Boathouse property and the shore frontage areas of Belfast City Park all dogs shall be leashed when in the playground area of Belfast City Park or any other playground area is created from time to time on property of the City”

10-F Update on need for new phone system at Belfast City Hall.

About two weeks ago our phone system, which is approximately 20+ years old, stopped receiving incoming calls. The company that services our phone system was able to set up our phones so that all incoming calls could come into one phone, but were unable to restore our voice mail system. This means currently we are limited on our ability to receive and transfer calls, and have no capability for voice mail other than paper messages when needed. We are currently getting estimates from multiple companies and we will provide more information on this at the meeting.

10-G Request to go into Executive Session to discuss pending or contemplated litigation with the City Attorney pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 (6) E.

10-H Request to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 MRSA 406 (6) A.

10-I Signing of Council Orders

That's about it for now. Have a safe weekend and please remember to do all of your shopping here to support your neighbors and your friends.

**City of Belfast
Consent Agenda
Tuesday, October 4, 2016
Meeting #7**

The following items are proposed as our Consent Agenda. As in the past the items are voted on in one blanket motion to the affirmative. One Councilor makes a motion to approve the items as stated, and then another Councilor will second that motion and the whole Council votes. If a Councilor requests an item be removed from the consent agenda, they do so during the adoption of the agenda. If a member of the public requests that an item be removed from the consent agenda, they can do so in the open to the public section. Suggested motions are listed and supporting material is enclosed.

9) Permits, Petitions and Licenses - Consent Agenda

- A. Request to approve an application by The Crusty Crab LLC, d/b/a Front Street Pub, located 37B Front Street, Belfast, Maine for a renewal Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Restaurant Class liquor license, interior and exterior fenced in deck.**

Motion to approve an application by The Crusty Crab LLC, d/b/a Front Street Pub, located 37B Front Street, Belfast, Maine for a renewal Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Restaurant Class liquor license, interior and exterior fenced in deck.

- B. Request to approve a new application for a renewal Special Amusement Permit by The Crusty Crab LLC, d/b/a Front Street Pub, for live entertainment, music, vocals - Karaoke, DJ and dancing at located 37B Front Street, Belfast, interior and exterior deck.**

Motion to approve a new application for a renewal Special Amusement Permit by The Crusty Crab LLC, d/b/a Front Street Pub, for live entertainment, music, vocals - Karaoke, DJ and dancing at located 37B Front Street, Belfast, interior and exterior deck.

- C. Request to approve an application for Lawrence and Sandra Moses, d/b/a Dockside Family Restaurant, located at 30 Main Street, for a renewal Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Restaurant Class liquor license, interior and exterior decks.**

Motion to approve an application for Lawrence and Sandra Moses, d/b/a Dockside Family Restaurant, located at 30 Main Street, for a renewal Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Restaurant Class liquor license, interior and exterior decks.

- D. Request to approve an application by Tall Pine Healthcare Inc. d/b/a The Residence at Tall Pines located at 24 Martin Lane, Belfast, Maine for a renewal Malt and Vinous Other (Assisted Living) Class liquor license, the interior only.**

Motion to approve an application by Tall Pine Healthcare Inc. d/b/a The Residence at Tall Pines located at 24 Martin Lane, Belfast, Maine for a renewal Malt and Vinous Other (Assisted Living) Class liquor license, the interior only.

- E. Request to approve an off premises catering permit for American Legion Frank D. Hazeltine Post #43 for a private remembrance/celebration of life service located at the American Legion (Main Function Hall), 143 Church Street, Belfast, ME on October 8, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Motion to approve an off premises catering permit for American Legion Frank D. Hazeltine Post #43 for a private remembrance/celebration of life service located at the American Legion (Main Function Hall), 143 Church Street, Belfast, ME on October 8, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- F. Request to approve an off premises catering permit for American Legion Frank D. Hazeltine Post #43 for the Belfast Poetry Fest located at the American Legion (Main Function Hall), 143 Church Street, Belfast, ME on October 15, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to midnight.**

Motion to approve an off premises catering permit for American Legion Frank D. Hazeltine Post #43 for the Belfast Poetry Fest located at the American Legion (Main Function Hall), 143 Church Street, Belfast, ME on October 15, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to midnight.

- G. Request to approve an off premises catering permit for The Otis Group Incorporated d/b/a Rollie's Bar & Grill for a wedding located at the Belfast Boathouse, 34 Commercial Street, Belfast, ME on September 17, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.**

Motion to approve an off premises catering permit for The Otis Group Incorporated d/b/a Rollie's Bar & Grill for a wedding located at the Belfast Boathouse, 34 Commercial Street, Belfast, ME on September 17, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

- H. Request to approve an extension of liquor license for Three Tides 8th Year of Beer located at 2 Pinchy Lane, Belfast, Maine to include their parking lot and the private Marshall Wharf driveway in front of their brewery store/tasting room on October 15, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.**

Motion to approve an extension of liquor license for Three Tides 8th Year of Beer located at 2 Pinchy Lane, Belfast, Maine to include their parking lot and the private Marshall Wharf driveway in front of their brewery store/tasting room on October 15, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

- I. Request from the Fire Chief to confirm Joseph Donovan to be a member of the Belfast Ambulance Service as a call in Paramedic.**

Motion to approve the request from the Fire Chief to confirm Joseph Donovan to be a member of the Belfast Ambulance Service as a call in Paramedic.

- J. Request from the Fire Chief to confirm Neil Bergeron to be a member of the Belfast Ambulance Service as a part time call in EMT.**

Motion to approve the request from the Fire Chief to confirm Neil Bergeron to be a member of the Belfast Ambulance Service as a part time call in EMT.

- K. Request from the Fire Chief to confirm Neil Bergeron to be a member of the Belfast Fire Department as a volunteer Firefighter.**

Motion to approve the request from the Fire Chief to confirm Neil Bergeron to be a member of the Belfast Fire Department as a volunteer Firefighter.

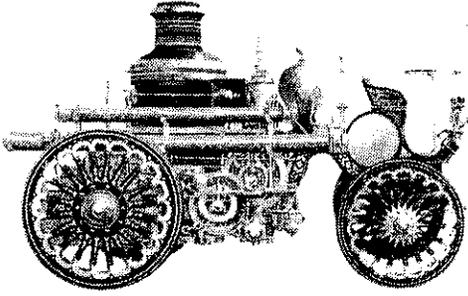
- L. Request to approve a Parade Permit application submitted by Victoria Curtis on behalf of Belfast Area High School Student Senate Homecoming for a parade on October 14, 2016 starting at Lions Way at 3:00 p.m.**

Motion to approve a Parade Permit application submitted by Victoria Curtis on behalf of Belfast Area High School Student Senate Homecoming for a parade on October 14, 2016 starting at Lions Way at 3:00 p.m.

- M. Request to spend up to \$900 from the Cemetery Trust Fund Account #630-504, FY 2016-2017 to Holmes Greenhouse & Flower Shop under the Perpetual Care Contract with the City for the fall and spring flower arrangements.**

Motion to approve the request to spend \$900 from the Cemetery Trust Fund Account #630-504, FY 2016-2017 to Holmes Greenhouse & Flower Shop under the Perpetual Care Contract with the City for the fall and spring flower arrangements.

9.I+J



Belfast Fire & Ambulance Department
131 Church Street • Belfast, Maine 04915
Phone 338-3362

Sept.27,2016

To; Joe Slocum, City Manager

From; Jim Richards, Chief
Belfast Fire & Ambulance.

Ref; Ambulance Attendants

I submit to you, for your confirmation, the name of Joseph Donovan to be a member of the Belfast Ambulance Service as a call in Paramedic if and when needed.

Joe recently received his Paramedic license from the State of Maine EMS and will be a call in for our full time Paramedics on holidays, vacations and/ or sick days. He resides in Brooks and is employed full time for Bangor Fire Department.

I also submit to you, for your confirmation, the name of Neil Bergeron to be a member of the Belfast Ambulance Service. He is a licensed EMT Basic with Maine EMS and will be used on a part time call in when needed. He has been a member of the Searsmont Ambulance Service and just recently moved to 230 Waldo Avenue in Belfast.

Both Joe Donovan and Neil Bergeron will be paid per hour per call.

If you have any questions please contact me at the Belfast Fire Station.

Thank You

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City of Belfast

131 Church Street, Belfast, Maine 04915

Parade Permit

Permit # _____
(Office use only)

Date of request: 9/28/16

Name of Organization: BAHS

Contact Person: Victoria Curtis Phone#: 207-505-5133

Mailing address: _____

Date of Parade: October 14th, 2016 at 3pm

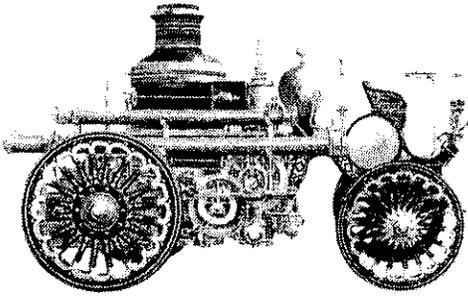
Parade Route - please complete the following information:

Where parade will be forming: Belfast Area High School

Parade Route: Following Lions Way down to Waldo Ave turning right onto Waldo Ave, following Waldo Ave until Main St, turning left onto Main St, following Main St until High St, turning left onto High St, following High St until Waterfall Arts, going across the parking lot at Waterfall Arts to return to Waldo Ave where we will turn right and return to Belfast Area High School

Applicant Signature: Victoria Curtis

Date approved by City Council: _____



9.K

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131 Church Street • Belfast, Maine 04915
Phone 338-3362

Sept.27,2016

To; Joe Slocum, City Manager

From; Jim Richards,Chief
Belfast Fire & Ambulance

Reference; Firefighter

I submit to you, for your confirmation, the name of Neil Bergeron to be a call Firefighter for the Belfast Fire Department.

Neil has been active as a Firefighter and Ambulance Attendant for the Town of Searsmont and just recently moved to 230 Waldo Avenue in Belfast. He is trained for Interior Fire Attack and Hazmat Operational Level.

If you have any questions please call me at the Fire Station.

Thank You.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jim".

Oct 1, 2016 to Sept 30, 2017

OVERALL MAXIMUMS

Persons in Household

1	2	3	4	5
655	741	876	1,191	1,266

Household of 6 = 1,341

* Add \$75 for each additional person

FOOD MAXIMUMS

Persons	Weekly	Monthly
1	45.95	194
2	83.70	357
3	118.58	511
4	150.97	649
5	179.42	771
6	215.30	925
7	237.40	1,022
8	271.42	1,169

Add \$146 per month for each + person

HEATING FUEL

Month	Gallons	Month	Gallons
September	50	January	225
October	100	February	225
November	200	March	125
December	200	April	125
		May	50

NOTE: When the dwelling unit is heated electrically, the maximum amount allowed for heating purposes will be calculated by multiplying the number of gallons of fuel allowed for that month by the current price per gallon. When fuels such as wood, coal and/or natural gas are used for heating purposes, they will be budgeted at actual rates, if they are reasonable. No eligible applicant shall be considered to need more than 7 tons of coal per year, 8 cords of wood per year, 126,000 cubic feet of natural gas per year, or 1000 gallons of propane.

Housing Maximums

BEDROOM	UNHEATED		HEATED	
	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	116	497	137	592
1	127	547	156	671
2	149	639	184	793
3	211	908	255	1,096
4	215	926	269	1,155

PERSONAL CARE & HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES

Number in Household	Weekly Amount	Monthly Amount
1-2	\$10.50	\$45.00
3-4	\$11.60	\$50.00
5-6	\$12.80	\$55.00
7-8	\$14.00	\$60.00

NOTE: For each additional person add \$1.25 per week or \$5.00 per month.

SUPPLEMENT FOR HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN UNDER 5

When an applicant can verify expenditures for the following items, a special supplement will be budgeted as necessary for households with children under 5 years of age for items such as cloth or disposable diapers, laundry powder, oil, shampoo, and ointment up to the following amounts:

Number of Children	Weekly Amount	Monthly Amount
1	\$12.80	\$55.00
2	\$17.40	\$75.00
3	\$23.30	\$100.00
4	\$27.90	\$120.00

ELECTRIC

NOTE: For an electrically heated dwelling also see "Heating Fuel" maximums below. But remember, an applicant is not automatically entitled to the "maximums" established applicants must demonstrate need.

1) Electricity Maximums for Households Without Electric Hot Water: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, for lights, cooking and other electric uses excluding electric hot water and heat:

Number in Household	Weekly	Monthly
1	\$14.00	\$60.00
2	\$15.70	\$67.50
3	\$17.45	\$75.00
4	\$19.20	\$86.00
5	\$23.10	\$99.00
6	\$25.00	\$107.00

NOTE: For each additional person add \$7.50 per month.

2) Electricity Maximums for Households With Electrically Heated Hot Water: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, hot water, for lights, cooking and other electric uses excluding heat:

Number in Household	Weekly	Monthly
1	\$19.10	\$86.00
2	\$23.75	\$102.00
3	\$27.70	\$119.00
4	\$32.25	\$139.00
5	\$37.30	\$160.00
6	\$41.00	\$176.00

NOTE: For each additional person add \$10.00 per month.

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10.A

Housing Maximums/ Month

Overall Max Assistance

Bedrooms	Unheated	Heated	#people	
0	497	592	1	655
1	547	671	2	741
2	639	793	3	876
3	908	1096	4	1191
4	926	1155	5	1266

GA Overall Maximums

Metropolitan Areas

Persons in Household

COUNTY	1	2	3	4	5
Bangor HMFA: Bangor, Brewer, Eddington, Glenburn, Hampden, Hermon, Holden, Kenduskeag, Milford, Old Town, Orono, Orrington, Penobscot Indian Island Reservation, Veazie	703	777	981	1,227	1,437
Penobscot County HMFA: Alton, Argyle UT, Bradford, Bradley, Burlington, Carmel, Carroll plantation, Charleston, Chester, Clifton, Corinna, Corinth, Dexter, Dixmont, Drew plantation, East Central Penobscot UT, East Millinocket, Edinburg, Enfield, Etna, Exeter, Garland, Greenbush, Howland, Hudson, Kingman UT, Lagrange, Lakeville, Lee, Levant, Lincoln, Lowell town, Mattawamkeag, Maxfield, Medway, Millinocket, Mount Chase, Newburgh Newport, North Penobscot UT, Passadumkeag, Patten, Plymouth, Prentiss UT, Seboeis plantation, Springfield, Stacyville, Stetson, Twombly UT, Webster plantation, Whitney UT, Winn, Woodville	596	673	836	1,082	1,254
Lewiston/Auburn MSA: Auburn, Durham, Greene, Leeds, Lewiston, Lisbon, Livermore, Livermore Falls, Mechanic Falls, Minot, Poland, Sabattus, Turner, Wales	575	678	855	1,086	1,241
Portland HMFA: Cape Elizabeth, Casco, Chebeague Island, Cumberland, Falmouth, Freeport, Frye Island, Gorham, Gray, Long Island, North Yarmouth, Portland, Raymond, Scarborough, South Portland, Standish, Westbrook, Windham, Yarmouth; Buxton, Hollis, Limington, Old Orchard Beach	838	975	1,220	1,638	1,717
York/Kittery/S.Berwick HMFA: Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, York	967	1,011	1,316	1,693	2,070
Cumberland County HMFA: Baldwin, Bridgton, Brunswick, Harpswell, Harrison, Naples, New Gloucester, Pownal, Sebago	750	796	1,058	1,542	1,759

Appendix A
Effective: 10/01/16-09/30/17

COUNTY	1	2	3	4	5
Sagadahoc HMFA: Arrowsic, Bath, Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Georgetown, Perkins UT, Phippsburg, Richmond, Topsham, West Bath, Woolwich	769	851	986	1,302	1,581
York County HMFA: Acton, Alfred, Arundel, Biddeford, Cornish, Dayton, Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Lebanon, Limerick, Lyman, Newfield, North Berwick, Ogunquit, Parsonsfield, Saco, Sanford, Shapleigh, Waterboro, Wells	734	860	1,065	1,439	1,460

*Note: Add \$75 for each additional person.

Non-Metropolitan Areas

Persons in Household

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Aroostook County	609	624	750	948	1,037
Franklin County	636	662	783	973	1,383
Hancock County	653	737	936	1,231	1,277
Kennebec County	612	663	846	1,075	1,141
Knox County	743	745	916	1,172	1,299
Lincoln County	672	743	935	1,163	1,379
Oxford County	572	621	761	1,040	1,325
Piscataquis County	583	663	817	1,035	1,106
Somerset County	665	694	824	1,119	1,122
Waldo County	655	741	876	1,191	1,266
Washington County	584	633	752	957	1,159

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Appendix B

Effective: 10/01/16 to 09/30/17

Food Maximums

Please Note: The maximum amounts allowed for food are established in accordance with the U.S.D.A. Thrifty Food Plan. As of October 1, 2015, those amounts are:

Number in Household	Weekly Maximum	Monthly Maximum
1	45.12	194
2	83.02	357
3	118.84	511
4	150.93	649
5	179.30	771
6	215.12	925
7	237.67	1,022
8	271.86	1,169

Note: For each additional person add \$146 per month.

APPENDIX D - UTILITIES

ELECTRIC

NOTE: For an electrically heated dwelling also see "Heating Fuel" maximums below. But remember, an applicant is *not automatically* entitled to the "maximums" established—applicants must demonstrate need.

1) **Electricity Maximums for Households *Without Electric Hot Water*:** The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, for lights, cooking and other electric uses *excluding* electric hot water and heat:

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
1	\$14.00	\$60.00
2	\$15.70	\$67.50
3	\$17.45	\$75.00
4	\$19.70	\$86.00
5	\$23.10	\$99.00
6	\$25.00	\$107.00

NOTE: For each additional person add \$7.50 per month.

2) **Electricity Maximums for Households *With Electrically Heated Hot Water*:** The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, hot water, for lights, cooking and other electric uses *excluding* heat:

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
1	\$20.08	\$86.00
2	\$23.75	\$102.00
3	\$27.70	\$119.00
4	\$32.25	\$139.00
5	\$37.30	\$160.00
6	\$41.00	\$176.00

NOTE: For each additional person add \$10.00 per month.

NOTE: For electrically heated households, the maximum amount allowed for electrical utilities per month shall be the sum of the appropriate maximum amount under this subsection and the appropriate maximum for heating fuel as provided below.

APPENDIX E - HEATING FUEL

<u>Month</u>	<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Gallons</u>
September	50	January	225
October	100	February	225
November	200	March	125
December	200	April	125
		May	50

FOR MUNICIPAL USE ONLY

GA MAXIMUMS SUMMARY SHEET

Note: The overall maximums found in *Appendices A, B, C, D, E, and F* are effective from **October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017.**

APPENDIX A - OVERALL MAXIMUMS

<u>County</u>	<u>Persons in Household</u>					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
<p>NOTE: For each additional person add \$75 per month.</p> <p>(The applicable figures from Appendix A, <i>once adopted</i>, should be inserted here.)</p>						

APPENDIX B - FOOD MAXIMUMS

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly Maximum</u>	<u>Monthly Maximum</u>
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8	271.86	1169.00
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APPENDIX C - HOUSING MAXIMUMS

<u>Number of Bedrooms</u>	<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0				
1				
2				
3				
4				
<p>(The applicable figures from Appendix C, <i>once adopted</i>, should be inserted here.)</p>				

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APPENDIX F - PERSONAL CARE & HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES

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FOR MUNICIPAL USE ONLY

MEMO

Our Town Belfast: A Main Street Community

Dear City Councilors, Mayor Ash, and City Manager Joseph Slocum,

Our Town Belfast has decided to retire the "Please Be Seated" bench program after this season. We're proud of the program and its impact in recent years, however all good things must come to an end and it is time to try something new. Part of keeping downtown vibrant is keeping things fresh and interesting. There will be a need for more permanent downtown seating in 2017 and Our Town Belfast hopes that the City will be able to fill this need. Meanwhile, our Design Committee is working on a new public art project for next Spring that will enliven the downtown while celebrating local history.

Many of the "Please Be Seated" benches that are currently on the streets are well-worn from several years of use. There are two, however, that Our Town Belfast believe to be of particularly high quality and lasting style which we would like to gift to the City of Belfast for storage and future use. The seats are "Stumped in Love" and "The One That Got Away," pictured below:



As for the rest of the benches, which vary in style and weather-durability, we will offer these items to the community by suggested donation, for pick-up in the first three weeks of October.

As we say farewell to the "Please Be Seated" program, Our Town Belfast wishes to thank the City of Belfast for its support – as well as the many artists and contributors, partners like Parks & Recreation and Midcoast Regional Re-entry Center, volunteers who helped with install and take-down including Michael Tracey, Dan Greeley, Will Bebb, Jim Clark, and Mike Hurley, and of course Elaine Bielenberg whose vision and know-how has guided us all along the way.

"Please Be Seated" was a practical and creative way to enhance and promote Belfast. It has received great press and been featured in many blogs and travel sites. We look forward to adding interest and artistry to the downtown in the future through new Design Committee projects.

Thank you, and on behalf of the staff and volunteers at Our Town Belfast, we hope the City will accept this gift of two benches as a token of our appreciation.

Sincerely,



Breanna Pinkham Bebb
Executive Director

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City of Belfast, ME
Friday, September 30, 2016

Chapter 38. PARKS AND RECREATION

Article II. Parks and Recreation Commission

Sec. 38-41. Duties.

[Ord. No. 21-1996, art. VIII, §§ 1, 2, 2-6-1996; Ord. No. 36-2005, 4-5-2005; Amd. of 1-2-2013]

- (a) The parks and recreation commission, under the general direction of the City council, shall advise and make recommendations to the council, City manager and parks and recreation director as to the custody, care and management of the City parks and parks facilities.

Specifically the commission will provide advice and give recommendations on:

- (1) Annual budget expenditures.
- (2) Rules and regulations in the parks.
- (3) Establishing multi-year capital project plans and in setting priorities for capital project work.
- (4) Establishing policies for uses of the parks.
- (5) Recreational program-related matters.
- (6) Gifts of money, equipment or property to the City for the parks.

The commission will not be involved in the day to day operation of the parks nor in the direction or management of any City employee.



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Date: 9-27-2016

To: Mayor, City Council
City Manager, Joe Slocum

From: Bob Richards
Public Works Director

Re: Laborer / Truck Driver
Position at Public Works

I would like to recommend **Scott Sawyer** to fill the Laborer / Truck Driver position in the Public Works Department that was created when an employee resigned recently. Scott currently works at the Belfast Transfer Station. He has worked with this department occasionally filling in. He would like to make a lateral move to work in this department full time.

Thank you, 
Bob Richards
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To: Mayor, City Council
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Re: Truck Driver / Laborer
Position at Public Works

I would like to recommend **Gary Faulkner** to fill the Truck Driver / Laborer position in the Public Works Department that was created when an employee resigned recently. Gary currently works for the UMO maintenance department. He had worked for Bangor Public Works prior to that. He has some experience and is looking for employment closer to home in Monroe.

Thank you,
Bob Richards
Public Works Director



City of Belfast

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CITY COUNCIL

June 18, 2013

Councilor

Harley

Order No. 82

ORDERED THAT

That Part II Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, Animals, Article II, Dogs Section 32, City of Belfast, Maine is hereby amended to read as follows:

Editors Note: new sections are adopted are underlined

First Reading: June 4, 2013

Second Reading: June 18, 2013

Sec. 10-32. - Running at large prohibited; impoundment of stray dogs; leashing required in certain areas.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any dog, licensed or unlicensed, to run at large. Disposition of and the procedure for stray dogs shall be as described in 7 M.R.S.A. § 3911 et seq. The procedure for stray dogs after receipt by a designated animal shelter shall be pursuant to 7 M.R.S.A. § 3913.

(b) All dogs shall be leashed when in picnic areas located in Heritage Park, the City Pier, any railroad waterfront property owned by the city, Belfast Common, Steamboat Landing/Boathouse property, and the shore frontage areas of Belfast City Park. All dogs shall be leashed when in the playground area of Belfast City Park or any other playground area as created from time to time on property of the city. No dogs shall be allowed in any City Cemetery.

(c) For purposes of this section, the term "at large" means any dog located off the premises of the owner or keeper and not under the control of any person whose presence and attention would reasonably control the dog.

(Ord. No. 19-1999, § 2, 10-19-1999)

State law reference—Running at large, 7 M.R.S.A. § 3911.

Signature

Date

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 7: AGRICULTURE AND
ANIMALS
Part 9: ANIMAL WELFARE
Chapter 719: UNCONTROLLED DOGS

§3911. Dogs at large

It is unlawful for any dog, licensed or unlicensed, to be at large, except when used for hunting. The owner or keeper of any dog found at large is subject to the penalties provided in this chapter. [1999, c. 254, §3 (AMD).]

SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 383, §3 (NEW). 1987, c. 643, §1 (AMD). 1999, c. 254, §3 (AMD).

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Is There a State Leash Law?

Maine Townsman - May, 2016

In a word, no. Maine law requires only that a dog, when off the owner's premises, be "under the control" of someone, except when used for hunting (see 7 M.R.S.A. §§ 3907(6), 3911). The law does not specify the method of control, although presumably it includes voice command and holding a dog by its collar as well as a leash. The point is, nowhere in the law does the term "leash" appear.

In fact, to the best of our knowledge, only one state (Michigan) has an explicit statewide leash law, with exceptions for working dogs, guard dogs, hunting dogs, and so on (see M.C.L.A. 287.262). The prevailing view in most states seems to be that leash requirements are better left to local policymakers based on local sentiments and circumstances.

As we've noted here before, municipalities in Maine are expressly authorized to enact more stringent ordinances dealing with dogs, such as requiring leashes, or prohibiting dogs in certain public places at certain times, or requiring owners to clean up after their pets (see "Dog Ordinances," Maine Townsman, Legal Notes, June 2011). Dog ordinances cannot, however, be breed-specific (see "Banning Pit Bulls," Maine Townsman, Legal Notes, September 2014).

The notion that Maine has a state leash law is one of those persistent legal myths – like "landlocked" lots are not allowed, or the "good" side of a fence must face the neighbors (both of which are also false, see "'Landlocked' Lots," Maine Townsman, Legal Notes, December 2013, and "Fence Laws," Maine Townsman, Legal Notes, July 1999).

Incidentally, if a dog is "at large" (not under someone's control as required), the animal control officer (ACO) must seize, impound or restrain it and must deliver it to an animal shelter if the owner is unknown (see 7 M.R.S.A. § 3912). For a summary of other municipal duties re dogs, see "ACOs, Stray Dogs & Animal Shelters," Maine Townsman, Legal Notes, May 2011. (By R.P.F.)

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Dog Ordinances

Maine Townsman - June, 2011

Last month we noted that Maine law mandates every municipality to have an animal control officer (ACO) and to enforce the State's stray dog laws (see "ACOs, Stray Dogs & Animal Shelters," Maine Townsman, "Legal Notes," May 2011). The article prompted several inquiries, including whether a municipality could, by ordinance, recover its costs for impounding strays. The answer is yes.

Title 7 M.R.S.A. § 3950 expressly authorizes municipalities to enact more stringent ordinances dealing with dogs. Such an ordinance could, for example, impose an impoundment fee payable by the owner to the municipality before the dog can be claimed. This fee would be in addition to the fees payable to the animal shelter for food, shelter, veterinary care, etc. (see 7 M.R.S.A. § 3913(3)) and any court-imposed fines (see 7 M.R.S.A. § 3915).

A dog ordinance could also prohibit dogs in certain places at certain times, such as public parks or beaches during the daytime or in season, or it could require the use of leashes. (There is no State leash law – State law merely requires that a dog, when off the premises of its owner, be "under the control" of someone, see 7 M.R.S.A. § 3907(6)). A dog ordinance could also require owners to clean up after their pets.

Some ordinances also regulate barking dogs. These ordinances are legally enforceable without the need for complicated or expensive sound level measurements as long as they contain reasonable standards (see "Law Court: Barking Dog Ordinance Has Bite," Maine Townsman, "Legal Notes," April 2002). A barking dog ordinance does not apply, however, to dogs herding or guarding livestock (see 7 M.R.S.A. § 3950(1)).

Also, whatever a dog ordinance regulates, it may not be breed-specific, that is, it may not discriminate between specific breeds of dogs or apply only to certain breeds (see 7 M.R.S.A. § 3950).

For some sample dog ordinances, go to the ordinance collection at www.memun.org and use the keyword search feature. (By R.P.F.)

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