

**City of Belfast
Council Chambers-Belfast City Hall
Tuesday, April 1, 2025**

6:00 p.m. Request to go into an Executive Session on a Legal matter with the City Attorney pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) E.

7:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Regular Council Meeting No. 19

1) Call to order

2) Roll call: Mayor Eric Sanders; Councilors Mary Mortier, Neal Harkness, Brenda Bonneville, Chris Bitely and Paul Dean, City Manager Erin Herbig, and Deputy City Manager Manda Cushman.

3) Pledge of Allegiance

4) Adoption of the agenda

5) Acceptance of the minutes

Regular Council Meeting of March 18, 2025 and Special Council Meeting of March 18, 2025.

6) A. Open to the public

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B. Organization and Department Reports

- Update from the Library Director.

7) Communications

8) Old Business and City Committee Reports

9) Permits, Petitions and Licenses - Consent Agenda

- A.** Request to approve a corrective Order of Condemnation for Map 37, Lot 151.
- B.** Request to approve an application by Lisa Mosher d/b/a Dockside Family Restaurant located at 30 Main Street, Belfast, Maine for a renewal Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Class A Restaurant liquor license.
- C.** Request to approve an application by Chuck Quappe d/b/a Belfast Maskers located at 17 Court Street, Belfast, Maine for a renewal Malt and Vinous Class Performing Arts Center liquor license.
- D.** Request to approve a Special Amusement Permit for Bowen's Pizzeria & Deli LLC d/b/a Bowen's Pizzeria & Deli for live music, DJ, Karaoke, dancing, and all live entertainment located at 181 Waterville Road, Belfast, Maine, indoor and outdoor.
- E.** Request to approve a Facility Use Application by Meg Shorette for use of the City Hall parking lot on High Street for the annual All Roads Music Festival on Friday, May 16, 2025, starting at 4:00 p.m. through Saturday, May 17th, 2025, until 1:00 p.m.
- F.** Request to approve a Facility Use Application by the Belfast Rotary Club for use of City streets, starting at Belfast Commons, for the annual Bug Run 5K walk/run race, as part of the Belfast Harbor Fest, on Saturday, August 16th, 2025, from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- G.** Request to approve a Facility Use Application by the Belfast Lions Club for use of City streets, starting at the Route 1 Overpass near Belfast Area High School for the annual Ghostly Gallop 5K walk/run race on Saturday, October 25th, 2025, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

10) Business

- A)** Request from the Library Director to appoint Randi Box of Belmont as the new Library Assistant for the Belfast Free Library.

B) Request from the Belfast Garden Club to partner with the City of Belfast to make improvements to the Post Office Square Garden.

C) Presentation from the Tree Working Group on their Tree Inventory.

D) Freedom of Access Act (FOAA) Training with the City Attorney.

E) Request from the Public Works Director for authorization for an expenditure to purchase a tractor, ditch mower and bushhog.

F) Request from the Public Works Director to accept and award the City Street Paving Bids for FY2024-25.

G) Request to approve the updated 2025 Parks and Recreation Fee Policy.

H) Request for approval of a new Facility Use Request by the Belfast Free Library for use of Steamboat Landing Park for a Resiliency Fair on Saturday, June 7, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

I) Request by the Belfast Bay Watershed Coalition for consideration of a Boathouse Rental fee waiver for Saturday, May 31, 2025, for the "Walk and Roll for Sustainability".

J) Request for approval of a new Facility Use Request by Hospice Volunteers of Waldo County for use of the Belfast Rail Trail for a 5K on Saturday, October 4, 2025, from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

K) Presentation from the Deputy Economic Development Director regarding a Maine Community Development Block Grant Program, Community Enterprise Grant (CE).

L) Public Hearing regarding the City of Belfast's application being submitted to the Maine Community Development Block Grant Program, Community Enterprise Grant (CE) grant program.

M) Request by the Deputy Economic Development Director to approve the submission of the Community Development Block Grant Program, Community Enterprise Grant (CE).

N) Request from Randall Collins VFW for a contribution to their flag fundraising efforts.

O) Signing of Council Orders

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12) Communications

13) Adjourn