

**City of Belfast
Council Chambers-Belfast City Hall
Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

**6:45 p.m. Committee Interview
7:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting**

Regular Council Meeting No. 13

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 December 15, 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 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 committee appointments.
- Update from the Broadband Committee.

9) Permits, Petitions and Licenses - Consent Agenda

- A.** Request to approve a renewal application by Sarah Waldron & Seth Whited d/b/a Neighborhood at 132 High Street, Belfast, Maine for a Malt, Vinous and Spirituous Restaurant (Class I, II, III, IV) license, interior only.

10) Business

A) Presentation of a Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Article II Personnel Code, Section 42-44 Sick Leave, to include an Earned Paid Leave Policy.

B) Public Hearing of a Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Article II Personnel Code, Section 42-44 Sick Leave, to include an Earned Paid Policy.

C) Discussion and possible action of a Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Article II Personnel Code, Section 42-44 Sick Leave, to include an Earned Paid Leave Policy.

D) Request from the City Clerk to appoint Brittany Harris as the new Tax Collector/Deputy Clerk.

E) Request to hire Olver Associates Inc for the City's Contracted Wastewater Superintendent Services.

F) Update on the Comprehensive Plan.

G) Request to remove four City trees at various locations.

H) Discussion on possible demolition of 101 and 107 Patterson Hill Rd, Map 17 Lots 12 and 13.

I) Request to waive sewer lien foreclosure on one property.

J) Request from the Library Director to appoint Julia Sampson as the part-time Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant for the Belfast Free Library.

K) Request from the Climate Crisis Committee to forgo the City process of appointing a committee member for a student member to the committee.

L) Request to approve a CMP pole permit for 10 new poles on Perkins Rd.

M) Request to approve draft letter from the Climate Crisis Committee.

N) Request to go into an Executive Session on an Economic Development matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) C.

O) Request to go into Executive Session on a Legal matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A 405 (6) E.

P) Signing of Council Orders

11) Communications

12) Adjourn