

TOWN OF BELFAST

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

7/20/26

Town Officials present: Andrew Chamberlain, Rick Smith, Dixie Middaugh, Steve Bedwell, Mike Unfus, Damien Dahill, James Ace Jr., Mary Beth Arnold

Community members present: Randa Harrington, Wende Kenyon, Paul Kenyon, Robert Mackmer, Michelle Calanni, Amanda Preston, Joshua Cole, Sheila Bedwell,

A public hearing was held at 6:30 to discuss the Land Use Moratorium –

A public hearing was held at 6:45 to repeal Local Law #003

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The June 15, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes were presented and accepted by a motion from Councilman Smith and a second from Councilman Middaugh.

All in favor

Carried

Town Residents and visitor's questions and concerns: None

Payment of the July Bills was approved by a motion from Councilman Bedwell and a second from Councilman Middaugh.

Rick Smith – aye, Andy Chamberlain -aye, Dixie Middaugh – aye,

Steve Bedwell-aye

All in Favor

Carried

General – 112-134	\$14,382.83
Water – 049 – 053	\$18,183.60
Street Lighting – 7	\$919.81
Highway – 102– 114	\$52,816.95

The Town Supervisor's Report, dated June 2026 was approved by a motion from Councilman Bedwell and a second from Councilman Middaugh.

All in Favor Carried

The Town Clerk's Report, dated June 30, for the June 2026 accounts, was accepted by a motion from Councilman Smith and a second from Councilman Bedwell

All in favor Carried

Damien DaHill's Water report contained the following:

- See attached Water Department Monthly Report

Jim Ace's Highway Report contained the following:

- See attached Highway Department Monthly Report
- Crawford Creek bridge repair date has been pushed back by the County to September because of issues with supplies
- Mr. Ace was informed that the septic tank on the old Mix property has been pumped and is ready to be filled in.
- The possible shut down of East Hughes St for the Events on August 15th was discussed, the county will have to be contacted because it is a county road.

Mike Unfus, Code Enforcement Officer was present to discuss items on the monthly MACE report.

- See attached Monthly Activity Report

Belfast Public Library Report

- Robert Mackmer reported that the summer reading program at the library is going well.
- Summer concert series is set for Thursdays in August with The Taste of Belfast on the last Thursday.

Dog Control Report

- Dog control officer not present, no report was submitted

Planning Board Report

- Final version of the reworked BESS Law is completed and will be submitted for review
- The actual Land Use Law will probably take a year to complete, but the moratorium is in place until then
- No Town Data Center moratorium is needed since the state has put one in place for the next year.

250 Celebration

- Plans are in the works for August 15th celebration
- Food trucks, a band and a DJ, civil war reenactment, vendors, and a corn hole tournament are being planned

Historical Society Report/Town Historian Report

See attached reports

Old Business

- Parking Lines will be painted around the park, Let the Highway department know the date and they will sweep the day before
- The attorney is working on legalities associated with the offer for the purchase of property at 50 Main Street.

New Business

- Resolution 014-2026 "Sale of Town Property- South Street"

Motion to accept made by Councilman Bedwell, seconded by Councilman Middaugh

All in Favor Carried

- Resolution 015-2026 introducing "Proposed Local Law 005-26, to Rescind Local Law 003-26" – BESS law, this was the draft version, not the final version. Final version to be adopted in August Town Board meeting.

Motion to accept made by Supervisor Chamberlain, seconded by Councilman Middaugh

All in Favor Carried

- Resolution 016-2026 "Purchase of Property at 50 Main Street, Belfast, NY 14711"

Motion to accept made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Bedwell

All in Favor Carried

- Resolution 017-2026 introducing "Proposed Local Law 007-26, (BESS) and related SEQR review, establishing Lead Agency, referring proposed law to County Planning Board and setting a Public Hearing."

Motion to accept made by Councilman Bedwell, seconded by Councilman Middaugh

All in Favor Carried

- Resolution 018-2026 introducing "Proposed Local Law 006-26, Temporary One (1) year Moratorium on proposed Land Use Law"

Motion to accept made by Councilman Bedwell, seconded by Councilman Middaugh

All in Favor

Carried

- Award of \$500 from **NYS 250th Commemoration Commission's Empower Local Partners** strategy- money will be used to help pay expenses of the town's **BEL-FEST** to be held August 15th, 2026, in celebration of our country's 250th Birthday.
- Possible donation of playground equipment to Sugar Mountain Campsite (Estival Festival) was approved by the board. A donation to the Town will be suggested
- Appoint Amanda Preston to position 1 and Jeff Harrington to position 2 on the Belfast Planning Board

All in Favor

Carried

- A plaque of appreciation was given to the Belfast Planning Board on behalf of the Belfast Town Board by Supervisor Chamberlain. They were thanked for their service and dedication to the Town of Belfast.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm by a motion from Councilman Smith and a second from Councilman Bedwell

All in favor

Carried

Next Regular Meeting Date will be August 17, 2026 at 7pm

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Beth Arnold". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "M" and "A".

Mary Beth Arnold

Town Clerk

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF SUPERVISOR

To the TOWN BOARD of the

TOWN OF BELFAST

Pursuant to Section 125.2 of the TOWN LAW, I hereby render the following detailed statement of all moneys received and disbursed by me, as Supervisor, during the month of June 2026

RECEIPTS	
SOURCE	AMOUNT RECEIVED
GENERAL FUND:	
Interest & Penalties	4,439.83
Clerk Fees	67.50
Interest - Checking	0.40
Interest - NYCLASS	2,250.31
Rental of Hall	150.00
Rental of Fire Hall	200.00
Bingo License	41.80
Dog Licenses	37.00
Justice Fines & Forfeited Bail	224.50
St Aid, Mortgage Tax	10,036.40
St Aid, Trail Town Grant	11,250.00
Total	<u>28,697.74</u>
HIGHWAY FUND:	
Trans. Services - Caneadea	37,453.00
Interest - Checking	2.82
Interest - Savings MM	0.29
Interest - NYCLASS	2,476.71
Sale of Scrap	157.00
Fuel Sales	767.39
Refund of Prior Year	490.04
Total	<u>41,347.25</u>
WATER DISTRICT	
Property Taxes	
Relieved Water	
Metered Sales	11,981.41
Other Water Charges	
Interest	1.08
Sale of Scrap	
Minor Sales - Chlorine	
NYCLASS - Interest	214.92
Minor Sales - Chlorine	25.85
Sale of Equipment	
Total	<u>12,223.26</u>
SPECIAL DISTRICTS:	
Fire Taxes	0.00
Light Taxes	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>
FUEL ACCOUNT:	
Interest & Earnings	0.43
Total	<u>0.43</u>
Total	82,268.68
DISBURSEMENTS	
Fund or Account	Amount Expended
GENERAL FUND	37,032.51
HIGHWAY FUND	214,080.58
WATER DISTRICT	79,977.24
LIGHT DISTRICT	935.61
Total	332,025.94

Dated: July 10, 2026

Andrew Chamberlain, Supervisor
TOWN OF BELFAST

Belfast Water Dept. Monthly Report

July, 2026

- Monthly bacteria Sample good.
- 3 Dig Notices.
- filling in holes around park with topsoil.
- trimmed dead branches at park.
- Mowed and weed whacked.
- flushed all dead ends.
- Replaced a shut off riser at 37 west Hughes St.
- Panel mounted and electric started at transfer building.
- Flowmatic Auto Valve arrived. — finishing up elec.
- Septic pumped from old house trailer near town hall.
- Letters for lead results sent out to customers.
- summer help started (7-13-2026)
- Weed whacked main street.
- Shop cleaning.
- Touch up paint in men's bathroom at town hall.
- painting hydrants.
- Fixed and put up new banners.

HIGHWAY DEPT.

1. GRADED ROADS
2. MOWED ROADSIDES
3. SERVICED TRUCKS
4. CLEANED UP DOWN TREES
5. PATCHED ROADS
6. PUT 4 NEW TIRES ON EXCAVATOR, PUT 4 MORE ON NEXT MONTH
7. CHIP SEALED BOTH LAKE RDS., AND COYLE HILL
8. CLEANED DITCH
9. PICKED UP #2 — BACK in shop Run well just needed adjusting
10. PLAN ON CRACK SEALING IN AUGUST
11. PLAN ON PAVING IN AUGUST,
CHAMBERLAIN, SOUTH, SHERMAN
12. Crawford Creek Bridge pushed to Sept > Can't get supplies

County approval to shut down E Hughes from Main to chapel
Barriers needed for Aug 15th celebration

Mix septic tank ready to fill in - has been pumped

Activities Report

Date	Inspector(s)	Notes
Board Meeting		
6/15/2026	MU	T-Belfast Board Meeting Monday, June 15·7:00 – 8:00pm
Building Permit		
6/15/2026	MU	T-Belfast David Powers Monday, June 15·11:00am – 12:00pm 7802 Crawford Creek Rd 7802 Crawford Creek Rd, Caneadea, NY 14717, USA Building Permit
6/23/2026	MU	T-Belfast Bill Hopkins Tuesday, June 23·12:00 – 1:00pm 7110 County Road 26 7110 County Road 26, Belfast, NY 14711, USA Site visit for new barndominium
6/26/2026	MU	T-Belfast Mark Rauch BP25-369 Friday, June 26·10:00 – 11:00am 6081 Van Allen Rd 6081 Van Allen Rd, Belfast, NY 14711, USA Pole Style garage final
Final		
6/15/2026	OP	T-Belfast Brian Tytko Monday, June 15·9:00 – 10:00am 5744 Gleason Hill Rd 5744 Gleason Hill Rd, Belfast, NY 14711, USA Final Inspection for recreational use cabin
Other		
6/4/2026	CBB, LK, MU, OP	Houghton Local Government Conference Thursday, June 4·8:00am – 4:00pm Local Government conference/ Training
6/16/2026	CBB, LK, MU, OP	All municipalities Tuesday, June 16·10:30am – 12:00pm 115 N Main wellsville ny FEMA Allegany County, NY Flood Study Update Meeting
Planning Board Meeting		
6/8/2026	MU	T-Belfast Planning Board Meeting

Progress Inspection

6/23/2026 MU

T-Belfast BP26-227 Enos Mast
Tuesday, June 23 1:00 – 2:00pm
6797 Baragon Hill Rd
6797 Baragon Hill Rd, Belfast, NY 14711, USA
Footer Inspection

6/26/2026 MU

T-Belfast Mark Rauch BP25-378
Friday, June 26 10:30 – 11:30am
6081 Van Allen Rd
6081 Van Allen Rd, Belfast, NY 14711, USA
hole depths for front porch

6/30/2026 LK

T-Belfast Eli Hostetler BP26-086
Tuesday, June 30 2:30 – 3:15pm
6746 Little John Rd
6746 Little John Rd, Belfast, NY 14711, USA
Before pour inspection

Property Maintenance

6/10/2026 MU

T-Belfast
Wednesday, June 10 9:00 – 10:00am
131 S Main St
131 S Main St, Belfast, NY 14711, USA
Property Maintenance Tall Grass exterior conditions
Called owner and left message 6/10/26
Spoke with owner later that day he said it would be mowed by the weekend

6/16/2026 CBB

T-Belfast Nichols
Tuesday, June 16 8:15 – 9:15am
2 Angel St. Belfast NY 14711
PM follow up

Rt 19 - DeMarte Property - on wheels so no jurisdiction
Bruce
Rt 305 - Levey
Rt 19 - Allegany Grill - permit in discussion, ~~to~~ letter sent

July 20, 2026

Meetings attended:

1. Belfast Historical Society – July 13
2. Belfast Town Board – July 20, 2026
3. Allegany County Roundtable – June 25th at Crossroads

Projects and Events:

1. Toured Belvedere Mansion by invitation from current owners – currently writing article about Hamilton – Burr dueling pistols once housed in a desk belonging to John Church Family.
2. Attended 40th Reunion of 154th Regiment of N.Y. (Hardtack Unit) held at St. Bonaventure University.
3. Have finished sorting and cataloguing William Muldoon, John L. Sullivan and boxing Tournament collection and have placed in Portfolios which is much easier to access. This contains information newly acquired, all of current files of B.H.S. and Town His

JAYNE

Working with ~~Jane~~, Historical Society Member, to locate and secure copies of B.C.S. Yearbooks for permanent collection for B.H.S.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Wende Kenyon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Wende" and last name "Kenyon" clearly distinguishable.

Wende Kenyon, Town Historian – Belfast NY

The Time Has Arrived!

★ **AUGUST 1, 2026** ★

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Allegany County NY Patriot Monument *Unveiling & Dedication*

★ **WHERE?** ★

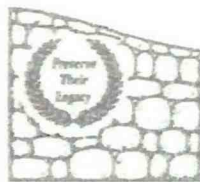
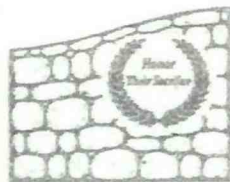
The East End of the
Angelica, NY
Historic
Park Circle



★ **WHEN?** ★

During
Heritage Days

11:15 a.m.
until NOON



Catherine Schuyler Chapter
Daughters of the American Revolution

Design - FA265
Notes by Taylor
in County Memorial Design



SITE FEATURES



Distinctive America250
Monument – tribute to
Allegany County's
Revolutionary War Patriots



Tricentennial time
capsule and marker



Landscaped flagpole
installation



★ DEDICATION ACTIVITIES INCLUDE: ★

A **Colonial Processional** at 11:15 a.m., from the west to east ends of Park Circle;

A **Monument Unveiling and Ceremony** at 11:30 a.m.

A DAR America250 Exhibit Tent open at NOON –

for Interaction.... Exhibits.... Information.... and Our Revolutionary Cookbook sales.



HOSTED BY THE CATHERINE SCHUYLER CHAPTER NSDAR

