

The Belfast Water District Board of Trustees met on Wednesday, July 7, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at the Little River Station office.

Bruce Osgood, the Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. then welcomed our new trustee, Jill Goodwin.

A roll call of attendees are as follows: Chairman Bruce Osgood, Vice-Chairman Kenneth Colby Horne, Treasurer Henry Chalmers, Trustee Stephen Hall, our newly appointed Trustee, Jill Goodwin, Superintendent Keith Pooler, and his Administrative Assistant, Tammy Morse.

VOTED: On a motion made by Henry Chalmers, seconded by Stephen Hall and unanimously approved, to accept the Minutes of the regularly scheduled board meeting of June 7, 2021.

The Board discussed the next board meeting date and agreed upon Monday, August 9, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at the Little River Station office.

Keith Pooler, the Superintendent, opened his report by welcoming Jill Goodwin as our new Trustee sworn in today to fulfill Eileen Dubinett's term through 2025. Jill served as Chairman of the Belfast Water District Board of Trustees in the late '80s. All of the District's Trustees expressed they are pleased to have Jill with them on the Board. Jill stated that she is very impressed with the District's operations and is happy to serve as a trustee again. Welcome, Jill Goodwin!

Stephen Hall was appointed as a Trustee for the Belfast Water District on July 6, 2021, for another 5-year term. All in attendance expressed a special thank you to Steve and are pleased that he is serving another term.

Keith reported that DL Maher completed the Jackson Pit Well rehabilitation in less than six days. Keith presented DL Maher's final report and a slideshow of the activity that took place for the Jackson Pit Well rehab. This report validates that while the well is getting older it can still help provide plenty of water to serve our existing and potential customers, now and in the future. Keith noted the final bill was \$3,000 less than the estimate from DL Maher.

Keith set up the Ditch Witch Vacuum Excavator to demonstrate to the Trustees after the meeting.

Keith updated the Board on the progress of the Goose River Bridge Project. Northeast Paving is preparing to install the new culvert. To date, 300-feet of 10-inch AC water main has been discontinued. The installation of the 12-inch ductile iron water main is scheduled to start by August 1, 2021.

The Back Searsport Road Booster Station is on a 75-foot by 75-foot parcel of land that the District received an Easement Deed for in 1997. At that time, \$4,000 was paid to the Church for this easement. Recently, the District was approached by the Ford Chapel Church representatives asking for assistance in paving the yard, which includes the area of our building. Keith took this opportunity to express that the District is interested in the ownership of the land as described in the existing Easement Deed. Negotiations are still in the works.

Keith informed the Board that the Talbot Well Project will not occur as planned in 2021; therefore, recommended that we rescind the unused approved funds received from the Maine Drinking Water Program State Revolving Loan Fund (MDWP SRF) for the development of the Talbot Well. With the Talbot Well no longer part of the loan, our accountant, Nick Henry of Horton, McFarland, and Veysey, recommended decreasing the term of the Goose River Bridge Project portion of the approved MDWP SRF loan from 20-year to 10-year. The Board concurred to decrease the term, and rescind the unused funds to MDWP SRF.

At last month's board meeting, our accountant discussed the process of implementing a surcharge on completed projects. This year the Goose River Bridge Project is expected to be completed. Our accountant recommended that we submit the required District's System Infrastructure Assessment to the Maine Public Utilities Commission, whether or not the District decides to implement a minimal surcharge for 2022.

Keith thanked Tammy for working diligently with RCAP Solutions and Tom's Water Solutions to complete the Risk and Resilience Assessment of the District's system to meet Part 1 of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements under America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) due before June 30, 2021. This requirement was completed and certified on June 22, 2021. Part 2 of the EPA requirement under AWIA is to update the District's Emergency Response Plan and certify by December 31, 2021. Every five years, the District must certify to the EPA that these plans are up to date.

This past month, the crew has:

- Worked at the Jackson Pit Well Rehabilitation
- Repaired a water main leak at 38 Pearl Street
- Renewed a service at 106 Congress Street
- Cut a new 1-inch service tap at 80 Congress Street (part of Stallworth property at 92 Pearl Street)

Upcoming this month, the crew will:

- Continue with the Goose River Bridge Project
- Cut three new water service taps
- Replace two hydrants
- Cut a 2-inch tap for four units off Congress Street (Britton Subdivision)

Thelma Bowen of 97 Robbins Road approached the District about connecting into our water system. This property is 2,500-feet away from the end of our water main on Patterson Hill Road. Keith will provide an estimate.

Seabreeze Park on Lower Congress Street has submitted preliminary development plans for 32 new water services next to the old MacLeod's Trailer Park, now known as RW MacLeod Lane. This project is in the works.

Keith reviewed the Breakwater Inspection Summary Report for Wight Street with the Board of Trustees.

VOTED: On a motion made by Stephen Hall, seconded by Henry Chalmers and unanimously approved, to nominate our new Trustee, Jill Goodwin, to serve as the Secretary/Clerk for the Board of Trustees.

VOTED: On a motion made by Stephen Hall, seconded by Henry Chalmers and unanimously approved, to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 p.m.



Jill Goodwin, Secretary/Clerk



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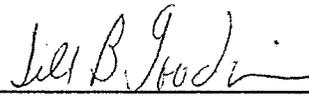
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I, Jill Goodwin, do swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of this State as long as I shall continue a citizen thereof. So help me God.

I do swear that I will perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a
Member of the Water District Board of Trustees to serve a remaining term due to expire
July 1, 2025

for the City of Belfast, Maine according to the Constitution and laws of the
State of Maine. So help me God.



Signature

STATE OF MAINE
COUNTY OF WALDO, SS

7-7-21
Date

I, Amy I. Flood, hereby certify that Jill Goodwin on this day appeared before
me and took the foregoing oath.



Amy I. Flood, City Clerk

Date appointed: July 6, 2021



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I, Stephen J. Hall, do swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of this State as long as I shall continue a citizen thereof. So help me God.

I do swear that I will perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a

Member of the Water District Board of Trustees, to serve a term due to expire July 1,
2026

for the City of Belfast, Maine according to the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine. So help me God.

Stephen J Hall
Signature

STATE OF MAINE
COUNTY OF WALDO, SS

7/8/2021
Date

I, Amy I. Flood, hereby certify that Stephen J. Hall on this day appeared before me and took the foregoing oath.

Amy I. Flood
Amy I. Flood, City Clerk

Date appointed: July 6, 2021

