TOWN OF BELFAST MINUTES RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 1-5-24

Town Officials Present: Andrew Chamberlain, Michael Hillman, Dixie Middaugh, Josh Cole, Rick Smith, Patty Oliver

Others Present: Amanda Preston, Karen Chamberlain, Penny Chamberlain, Brownyn Enders, Randa Harrington

Councilman Hillman called the meeting to order. The list of appointments and elected officers for the Town of Belfast was reviewed and approved by a motion from Councilman Hillman and a second from Councilman Cole with the exception of appointing a Town Attorney. More investigation and clarification regarding retainer fees and hourly rates will be done. (Copy attached). All in favor Carried

Andrew Chamberlain was sworn in as Town Supervisor along with Dixie Middaugh and Rick Smith as Town Council members.

Supervisor Chamberlain took over the meeting and stated that he would like to see all reports, agendas and board meeting materials forwarded to board members the Friday before each board meeting in order for members to have time to look over the materials in advance of the meeting.

Supervisor Chamberlain stated that he foresees three big projects for 2024: The Bicentennial, the transformation of Main Street and the beautifying of the Town Park., i.e. cleaning up the gazebo, hanging Home Town Hero banners, cleaning existing playground equipment and possibly adding new equipment.

The Town Website, belfastny.org, was a topic of discussion. Southern Tier West is the current administrator of the very basic website at a very minimum cost to the district. It was suggested that a calendar of events might be added.

A question was asked regarding the timeline for the River Bridge completion. October or November of 2024 was the last update the Town has had.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Councilman Smith and a second from Councilwoman Middaugh. All in favor Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Oliver, Town Clerk