

**A RESOLUTION
2017-18**



**City of Berlin
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and accept \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) in grant funds from the NH Department of Safety for the purpose of effectuating the Opioid Abuse Reduction Initiative.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Berlin as Follows:

WHEREAS opioid sales and abuse are causing an increase in overdoses, deaths, and a rise in serious crimes; and

WHEREAS Berlin is not immune to the opioid epidemic, and the Berlin Police Department has confirmed opioid trafficking in Berlin; and

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic has not only caused an increase in drug offenses but has affected an increase in property crimes and other non-drug related crimes which are taxing on the Police Department's and City's resources; and

WHEREAS the New Hampshire Department of Safety recognizes the severity of the opioid crisis and has grant funding available to support the continuation and expansion of successful partnership patrols and joint narcotics enforcement operations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Berlin, NH, that the Berlin Police Commission is authorized to apply for and receive grant funds from the NH Department of Safety for the purpose of effectuating said Opioid Abuse Reduction Initiative. Further, upon receipt of the grant, the sum of \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) is hereby appropriated to the Berlin Police Department Fiscal Year 2018 Budget, in addition to all previously-appropriated funds.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after passage.

PASSED: _____
September 18, 2017

APPROVED: _____
Honorable Mayor Paul Grenier

ATTEST: _____
Elaine Riendeau, City Clerk