



**City of Berlin  
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eighteen

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing an application to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for the replacement of Firefighter's Personal Protective Gear and Vehicle Extrication Tools at a cost of approximately \$270,711 dollars, of which 95% (\$257,175.00) will be funded by grant and 5% (\$13,536.00) funded by the City.

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

Whereas, the Firefighter's Personal Protective Gear and Vehicle Extrication Tools are nearing or beyond their replacement term of ten years of providing adequate protection to our firefighters, and frontline service to the citizens of Berlin; and

Whereas, the NFPA recommends to cycle out personal protective gear and vehicle extrication tools after ten years; and

Whereas, the firefighter's personal protective gear and vehicle extrication tools have been deemed unsafe and unreliable by NFPA standards and in accordance with the grant, the unsafe gear and tools will be permanently removed from emergency service; and

Whereas, firefighter's personal protective gear is a necessary and essential component in the ability to safely mitigate numerous hazardous incidents, especially search and rescue operations, and fire suppression during fire suppression incidents; and

Whereas, vehicle extrication tools are critical in the safe and expedited removal of victims of vehicle accidents from their vehicle. A necessity in the on scene priority of stabilizing and transporting these victims to appropriate medical care as quickly as possible.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Berlin, NH, that the City Manager is authorized to apply for and receive funds from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for replacement of firefighters' protective gear and vehicle extrication tools at a cost of approximately \$270,711.00, of which 95% (\$257,175.00) would be grant funded and 5% (\$13,536.00) would be funded by the City.

Be it further resolved that the City Manager is authorized to sign the grant documents and do all things necessary to effectuate the grant. Said funds granted to the City of Berlin will be used for the purpose of the grant.

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

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Honorable Mayor Paul Grenier

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Elaine Riendeau, City Clerk