



**City of Berlin
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and receive grant funds from the NH Department of Safety for the ongoing Opioid Abuse Reduction Initiative for Fiscal Year 2021.

WHEREAS the Berlin Police Department participates in the ongoing opioid grant program; and

WHEREAS opioid sales and abuse continue to cause 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 ongoing Opioid Abuse Reduction Initiative. Said funds granted to the City of Berlin will be used for the purpose of meeting the expenses directly included in the purpose of the grant during Fiscal Year 2021. Be it further resolved that the City Manager is authorized to sign the grant documents and execute all things necessary to effectuate the grant.

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

PASSED: _____
March 16, 2020

APPROVED: _____
Paul Grenier, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Shellie Fortin, City Clerk