

City of Berlin NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Two

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and receive grant funds from the NH Department of Justice for the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program for Fiscal Year 2023.

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

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 Justice recognizes the severity of the opioid crisis and has grant funding available to plan, develop, & implement comprehensive efforts to identify, respond to, treat, and support those impacted by the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the opioid crisis is a public health emergency that threatens the well-being of individuals who abuse drugs and impacts the safety of communities. It further impacts first responders, the criminal justice system, child welfare and foster care, and the behavioral health systems.

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 Justice for the ongoing Substance 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 2023. 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:		APPROVED:	
-	Date	Honorable Mayor Paul Gren	ier
ATTEST:			
_	Shelli Fortin, City Clerk		