

**A RESOLUTION
2024-13**



**City of Berlin
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Four

A **RESOLUTION** authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and accept grant funds in the amount of \$4,351.27 from the NH Department of Safety under the 2024 Homeland Security Grant Program - LETPA Search and Rescue equipment and appropriating said funds to the Police Department for the purpose of the grant.

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

WHEREAS Coös County encompasses 1,794 square miles, is comprised of many small towns and communities, has a population of approximately 32,000 people, and is home to several critical infrastructures, e.g., schools, prison(s), and hospital; and

WHEREAS; search and rescue equipment technology enhance screening, search, detection, threat assessment, and discontinuation of threat capabilities, which is essential in preventing threatened or actual acts of terrorism; and

WHEREAS; search and rescue equipment would provide the department with the ability to actively and passively surveil and search a scene or incident in all conditions, which without this technology is not possible; and

WHEREAS; the departments capability to perform the above necessary tasks, specifically, the important tasks of navigation, surveillance, observation, and the identification of threat and not-threat subjects in low light conditions they are required to operate in routinely; and

WHEREAS the department is called upon to enter areas of danger; and

WHEREAS search and rescue equipment is designed to assist in all of the aforementioned situations as well as; and

WHEREAS said equipment would render the department safely and effectively mission ready and better equipped to assisting their partner communities and the State of New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS use of such specialized equipment increases the ability of the department to safely resolve situations without injury or loss of life and will enhance agency interoperability, especially in response to a large-scale event or disaster; and

WHEREAS: search and rescue equipment will help mitigate risk.

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 accept funds from the NH Department of Safety for the 2024 Homeland Security Grant Program – LETPA Search and Rescue Equipment for the purchase of additional search and rescue equipment; to be appropriated to the Berlin Police Department FY 2025 Budget for the purpose of effectuating said grant. 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: _____
Date

APPROVED: _____
Robert Cone, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Shelli Fortin, City Clerk