Letter of Interest

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Mayor and City Council 168 Main St. Berlin, NH 03570

Dear Mayor Grenier and members of the City Council,

I would like to take this opportunity to declare my interest in serving the people of Berlin by being considered to fill the open seat on the Berlin School Board.

I previously served on the board from 2006 to 2012. I believe my prior experience on the board and my knowledge of state and local government will be an asset to the Board and the community.

I have been pleased with the work the Mayor, Council, and school board have done to push the state to fully fund education. No community should have to foot the bill for a retirement system the state made a promise to pay for. No community should be denied adequacy aid just because the pandemic has caused fewer parents to fill out applications for the free and reduced lunch program. State stabilization grants must be funded in full in order to prevent devastating increases in local property taxes that will barely cover the true cost of an adequate education.

Seventy-three percent of public education in New Hampshire is funded through local property taxes. Tax payers in property-poor communities like Berlin can no longer afford to foot the bill.

I will work hard to advocate for what is best for our students and teachers, while keeping in mind that the local tax payers have carried a heavy burden.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Nathan Morin