

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – Monday, JULY 16, 2018

Mayor Pro Tem Remillard called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at approximately 7:34 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The pledge of allegiance to the flag preceded roll call. Present: Councilors Remillard, Otis, Morgan Allain, Rozek, Berthiaume, Gentili and Theberge. Councilor Higbee was absent. Also present: Jim Wheeler, Sue Tremblay, Tiffany Hale and Barbara Tetreault, Berlin Daily Sun

Minutes, Previous Meeting

Councilor Theberge moved with a second by Councilor Berthiaume to accept the minutes of the July 2nd Regular Meeting/Work Session. So moved, the motion carried.

Disbursements:

Disbursement Summary Draft #1819 start date 07/03/2018 end date 07/16/2018 for a total cash disbursement of \$1,776,927.65. Councilor Berthiaume moved with a second by Councilor Theberge to accept the disbursement summary and pay all bills as recommended by the Committee on Accounts/Claims. So moved, the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Council Committee Reports – There were none.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Resolution 2018-20 Police Department Additional \$7,073 Grant Funds (1st read)

Councilor Theberge moved, with a second by Councilor Berthiaume to table the resolution and schedule a public hearing for August 6, 2018. So moved, the motion carried.

3. Correspondence – Monique Lavertu, St Kieran Arts

Councilor Rozek moved, with a second by Councilor Berthiaume to remove this item from the agenda. So moved, the motion carried.

4. City Manager's Report

1. Eversource has notified that they will be lowering the water level above Smith Hydro from September 10 through September 21, 2018. They will do routine maintenance and conduct inspections of the canal and penstock.
2. Eversource has announced that John Green will now be the primary Community Relations point of contact for the Berlin area.
3. We put a single lot of land on Hillsboro Street out to bid today with bids closing July 31, 2018.
4. Our Public Works Director is now officially retired. There is progress on the search for a PW Director with interviews taking place during the last week of July.
5. As you know, our City Clerk is moving on to a new position so we are advertising for a City Clerk as well.
6. Marcel Leveille repainted the "Welcome to Berlin" sign at the Airport. As you can see in the attached before and after pictures, the sign went from being an eyesore to a welcoming, informative sign.
7. A Public Works activity report is attached.

8. The PD Activity Report, as reported to the Police Commission at their July meeting, is attached.

Mayor Pro Tem Remillard asked when the posting for the City Clerk position will close. Mr. Wheeler stated it will close when the position is filled.

Councilor Rozek moved, with a second from Councilor Gentili to accept the City Manager's Report and place it on file. So moved, the motion carried.

5. Mayor's Report - There was no report.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were no comments.

7. Council Comments – There were no comments.

8. Adjournment

At approximately 7:53 p.m. Councilor Rozek moved with a second by Councilor Berthiaume to adjourn the regular meeting. So moved, the motion carried.

A True Record, Attest:

Elaine Riendeau
City Clerk

Note: Minutes are unofficial until they have been accepted by the Council by motion.