#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING - Monday, April 15, 2019

Mayor Grenier called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at approximately 8:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

#### **Public Hearing**

Mayor Grenier opened the Public Hearing at 8:11 pm for Resolution 2019-07 Authorizing an Application to the NH Department of Safety for \$6,420.07 for Point of Dispensing Exercise. There were no public comments. Mayor Grenier closed the public hearing at 8:11 pm.

Mayor Grenier opened the Public Hearing at 8:11 pm for Resolution 2019-08 Accepting a Donation of Land from the Conservation Fund. There were no public comments. Mayor Grenier closed the Public Hearing at 8:12 pm.

Mayor Grenier opened the Public Hearing at 8:12 pm for Resolution 2019-09 Accepting an \$8,000 Grant from United Way to Schools. There were no public comments. Mayor Grenier closed the Public Hearing at 8:12 pm.

Mayor Grenier opened the Public Hearing at 8:12 pm for Resolution 2019-10 Authorizing Highway Safety Grants. There were no public comments. Mayor Grenier closed the Public Hearing at 8:12 pm.

Mayor Grenier opened the Public Hearing at 8:13 pm for Resolution 2019-11 Opioid Abuse Reduction. There were no public comments. Mayor Grenier closed the Public Hearing at 8:13 pm.

Mayor Grenier opened the Public Hearing at 8:13 pm for Resolution 2019-12 Operation Stonegarden Grant for \$10,760 to PD. There were no public comments. Mayor Grenier closed the Public Hearing at 8:13 pm.

Mayor Grenier opened the Public Hearing at 8:13 pm for Resolution 2019-13 Apply and Accept ILO Program. There were no public comments. Mayor Grenier closed the Public Hearing at 8:14 pm.

## **Regular Meeting**

a. Pledge of Allegiance

#### **b.** Roll Call

Present: Mayor Grenier, Councilors Remillard, Otis, Rozek, Gentili, Higbee, Berthiaume, and Theberge Absent: Councilor Morgan Allain

Also present: Jim Wheeler, Susan Tremblay, Corinne Cascadden, Brian Lamirande, Chief Peter Morency, Dep Chief Daniel Buteau, Shelli Fortin, Claire Stiles, Ralph Collins, Robert Demers, members of the Androscoggin Valley Fish and Game Association, and Barbara Tetreault, Berlin Daily Sun

**c.** Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to accept the minutes of the March 25, 2019 Work Session, March 27, 2019 Budget Session, April 1, 2019 Regular Meeting and Work Session, and April 8, 2019 Work Session. So moved, the motion carried.

#### **Disbursements:**

Disbursement Summary Draft #1836 start date 04/02/2019 end date 04/15/2019 for a total cash disbursement of \$992,842.28. Councilor Theberge moved with a second by Councilor Berthiaume 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 no public comments.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Resolution 2019-07 Authorizing an Application to the NH Department of Safety for \$6,420.07 for Point of Dispensing Exercise (tabled 04/01/2019)

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing an application to the New Hampshire Department of Safety for Six Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Dollars and Seven Cents (\$6,420.07) and appropriating these funds to the Berlin Fire Department to complete a Point of Dispensing (POD) Functional Exercise.

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

Whereas the City of Berlin's High School is the Regional Point of Dispensing (POD) Location; and

Whereas these Point of Dispensing (POD) locations are activated to dispense medication to the region's Citizens in the event of a medical emergency; and

Whereas the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the NH Department of Health and Human Services require periodic Functional Exercises to take place in preparation for medical emergencies; and

Whereas, the New Hampshire Department of Safety, through the Division of Homeland Security, has funds available for such an exercise; and

NOW THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Berlin that an application to the New Hampshire Department of Safety for \$6,420.07 is hereby authorized and upon receipt is hereby appropriated to the City of Berlin Fire Department for the purpose of completing the Point of Dispensing (POD) Functional Exercise.

Be it further resolved that the City Manager is authorized to do all things necessary to effectuate the grant.

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

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

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to read Resolution 2019-07 by short title for a second time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to read Resolution 2019-07 by short title for a third time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, that Resolution 2019-07 be passed. So moved, the motion passed.

2. Resolution 2019-08 Accepting a Donation of Land from the Conservation Fund (tabled 04/01/2019)

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

A RESOLUTION accepting a donation of land from The Conservation Fund to the City of Berlin in the Town of Milan known as Lot 2-F-1 containing approximately 20.6 acres, Milan Tax Map 42, Parcel 2-F, East Side River Road, Milan, New Hampshire

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

Whereas, this is a gift of land from the Conservation Fund for recreational and training purposes including but not limited to a firing range, used by sportsmen and law enforcement; and

Whereas, the land will be transferred to the City; and

Whereas, the City will be responsible for legal and recording fees associated with the transaction; and

Whereas, RSA 31:19 and 44:1 allows the City to accept gifts for public purpose; and

Whereas, the City shall be entitled to subdivide the Lot and convey a portion of the Lot to the Androscoggin Valley Fish and Game Association ("AVFGA"); and

Whereas, the City and the AVFGA may enter into a lease for the AVFGA's use of a portion the property until such time as the subdivision and conveyance to AVFGA can occur; and

Whereas, the transaction will be subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Berlin as Follows:

That, pursuant to RSA 31:19 and RSA 44:1, the City Manager is authorized to accept, a donation of land from The Conservation Fund, known as Lot 2-F-1 containing approximately 20.6 acres, Milan Tax Map 42, Parcel 2-F, East Side River Road, Milan, New Hampshire, and upon review and approval of the City Attorney, the City Manager is authorized to execute any documents which may be necessary to accept the donation and enter into a lease with AVFGA.

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

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to remove this item from the table. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to read Resolution 2019-08 by short title for a second time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to read Resolution 2019-08 by short title for a third time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, that Resolution 2019-08 be passed. A roll call vote was taken. Councilor Higbee - Aye, Councilor Rozek - Aye, Councilor Berthiaume- Aye, Councilor Theberge - Aye, Councilor Remillard - Aye, Councilor Otis - Aye, Councilor Gentili - Aye, Mayor Grenier - Aye. The motion passed.

3. Resolution 2019-09 Accepting an \$8,000 Grant from United Way to Schools (tabled 4/1/2019)

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

**A RESOLUTION** accepting a grant in the amount of \$8,000.00 from the Granite United Way's Central Region to bring the nationally recognized Law Enforcement Against Drugs (L.E.A.D.)" curricula to SAU 3 in Berlin.

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

Whereas, L.E.A.D. forges a partnership between law enforcement officers and school personnel; and

Whereas, L.E.A.D. works in partnership with the Mendez Foundation to promote the use of the "Too Good for Drugs" programs which provides an array of comprehensive substance misuse and violence prevention programs designed to mitigate risk factors and build protection against problem behaviors; and

Whereas, "Too Good for Drugs" offers curricula for grades K-12 which includes fun, interactive lessons on goal setting, decision making and effective communication; and

Whereas, the L.E.A.D. program offers additional resources to support all law enforcement prevention efforts not only in the schools, but in the community as well.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Berlin, NH that a grant in the amount of \$8,000.00 from the Granite United Way's Central Region, to bring Law Enforcement Against Drugs (L.E.A.D.) to SAU 3, is hereby accepted and upon receipt, shall be appropriated to the School Department to be expended for the purpose of the grant.

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

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

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to read Resolution 2019-09 by short title for a second time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to read Resolution 2019-09 by short title for a third time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, that Resolution 2019-09 be passed. So moved, the motion passed.

# 4. Resolution 2019-10 Authorizing Highway Safety Grants (tabled 4/1/2019)

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and receive funds for any and all purposes from the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency for Highway Safety Project Grants for Fiscal Year 2020.

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

WHEREAS voluntary compliance of bicycle, scooter, and skateboard laws is a problem in Berlin, particularly in the downtown area; and

WHEREAS DWI offenses are problems in Berlin; and

WHEREAS speed and traffic light avoidance are problems which creates unnecessary risk for pedestrian traffic, and designated patrols are needed for enforcement; and

WHEREAS the New Hampshire primary child passenger safety law requires that all children up to the age of seven be restrained and properly secured in an approved child passenger safety seat, and everyone up to the age of 18 use a seat belt; and

WHEREAS operation of OHRVs on public ways is a concern; and

WHEREAS distracted driving is a statewide problem requiring increased public awareness that distracted driving will not be tolerated; and

WHEREAS information is available to teach young, inexperienced drivers specific educational experiences that focus on the behavior of vehicles, their limits of operation, and the effectiveness of seat belt use in the operation and occupancy of a motor vehicle, as they do not realize the limitations of vehicles or the harmful impact that alcohol may have on their ability to safely operate a vehicle; and

WHEREAS the NH Highway Safety Agency funds local projects to promote such enforcement and education.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Berlin, NH, that the Berlin Police Commission is hereby authorized to apply for and receive funds for Highway Safety Project Grants. Said funds granted to the City of Berlin will be used for the purpose of meeting the expenses directly included in the purposes of the grants during Fiscal Year 2020.

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

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to remove this item from the table. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to read Resolution 2019-10 by short title for a second time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to read Resolution 2019-10 by short title for a third time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, that Resolution 2019-10 be passed. So moved. The motion passed.

## **5.** Resolution 2019-11 Opioid Abuse Reduction (tabled 4/1/2019)

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

**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 2020.

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

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;

WHERAS 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 purpose of effectuating said 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 2020.

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

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

Councilor Theberge moved, with a second by Councilor Berthiaume, to read Resolution 2019-11 by short title for a second time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Theberge moved, with a second by Councilor Berthiaume, to read Resolution 2019-11 by short title for a third time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Theberge moved, with a second by Councilor Berthiaume, that Resolution 2019-11 be passed. So moved, the motion passed.

**6.** Resolution 2019-12 Operation Stonegarden Grant for \$10,760 to PD (tabled 4/1/2019)

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and accept Ten Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$10,760.00) in grant funds from the NH Department of Safety for the Homeland Security Operation Stonegarden Grant for Fiscal Year 2019

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

WHEREAS border threat and vulnerability concerns are evaluated based on operational data from the Department of Homeland Security Customs and Border Protection (DOHS/CBP); and

WHEREAS DOHS created the Operation Stonegarden Program (OPSG) to support enhanced cooperation and coordination among CBP, United States Border Patrol (USBP), and local, Tribal, territorial, state, and Federal law enforcement agencies in a joint mission to secure the United States' borders along routes of ingress from international borders to include travel corridors in states bordering Canada; and

WHEREAS OPSG funding is distributed based on risk to the security of the border, in consideration of intelligence, situational awareness, criminal trends, and statistical data specific to each of the border sectors and the potential impacts that these threats pose to the security of the border area; and

WHEREAS DOHS/CPB has determined that threat and vulnerability concerns for the US/Canada border persist for terrorism, criminal alien, drug trafficking, and alien smuggling organizations, and has allocated funds to promote a layered, coordinated approach to law enforcement within United States Border States and territories; and

WHEREAS said allocated funding supports Border States and territories in accomplishing objectives to include increasing capability to prevent, protect against, and respond to border security issues; encourage local operational objectives and capabilities to enhance National and State Homeland Security Strategies; increase coordination and collaboration among Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies; continue the distinct capability enhancements required for border security and border protection; and provide intelligence-based operations through CBP/BP Sector Level experts to ensure safety and operational oversight of Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies participating in OPSG operational activities.

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 Ten Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$10,760.00) in grant funds from NH Department of Safety for the purpose of effectuating the OPSG Program for Fiscal Year 2019.

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

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to read Resolution 2019-12 by short title for a second time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to read Resolution 2019-12 by short title for a third time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, that Resolution 2019-12 be passed. So moved, the motion passed.

### 7. Resolution 2019-13 Apply and Accept ILO Program (tabled 4/1/2019)

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and accept funds from the NH Department of Safety for the State Homeland Security Grant Intelligence Liaison Officer (ILO) Program for

Fiscal Year 2020.

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

WHEREAS the *National Strategy for Information Sharing* emphasizes the importance of fusion centers in facilitating the exchange of threat-related information between federal, state, and local governments; and

WHEREAS Implementing the Recommendations of 9/11 Commission Act amended the Homeland Security Act of 2002 by adding Section 210A (State, Local, and Regional Fusion Center Initiative) requiring the Secretary of Homeland Security to share threat-related information with states through fusion centers; and

WHEREAS many states and major urban areas have established information fusion centers for the gathering, analysis, and dissemination of law enforcement, homeland security, public safety, and terrorism information; and

WHEREAS grant funds are available to continue the ILO program in support of the information sharing activities of the New Hampshire Information and Analysis Center (NHIAC) in order to gather and disseminate threat-related information while ensuring privacy and civil rights and civil liberties which are to be respected and protected; and

WHEREAS continuation of the Intelligence Liaison Officer (ILO) program is a vital component of an information and intelligence sharing network, as ILOs serve as the primary conduits for gathering relevant, unevaluated information concerning homeland security threats as well as other specified precursor crimes; and

WHEREAS the NH Department of Safety will provide grant funds for the purpose of sustaining an ILO to improve and maintain the effective exchange of threat-related information between local agencies and the NHIAC in a manner that respects and protects privacy and civil rights and civil liberties.

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 NH Department of Safety ILO Program funds. 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 2020.

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

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to remove this item from the table. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to read Resolution 2019-13 by short title for a second time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, to read Resolution 2019-13 by short title for a third time. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Remillard moved, with a second by Councilor Otis, that Resolution 2019-13 be passed. So moved. The motion passed.

## 8. Vote on School Contract

Mayor Grenier read the cost items for the 3-year contract between the City of Berlin and Berlin Educational Support Staff.

FY2020	0.5% increase	Cost \$20,983
FY2021	2.00% increase	Cost \$65,986
FY2022	1.75% increase	Cost \$109,164

Councilor Remillard moved with a second from Councilor Otis to approve the cost items with BESS as presented by the Mayor.

A roll call vote was taken. Councilor Higbee - No, Councilor Rozek - No, Councilor Berthiaume- No, Councilor Theberge - No, Councilor Remillard - No, Councilor Otis - No, Councilor Gentili - No, Mayor Grenier - No. The motion did not pass.

**9.** Council Committee Reports – There were no council committee reports.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

10. Resolution 2019-14 Authorizing Grant for Summer Food Program up to \$8,000 (1st read)

Councilor Theberge moved, with a second by Councilor Berthiaume to table the Resolution and schedule a public hearing for May 6, 2019. So moved, the motion carried.

**11.** Resolution 2019-15 Eversource LED Rebate (1st read)

Councilor Berthiaume moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee to table the Resolution and schedule a public hearing for May 6, 2019. So moved, the motion carried.

### 12. City Manager's Report

- 1. On Saturday, April 13, 2019, a Point of Dispensing Functional Exercise was held at the Berlin Region Point of Dispensing (POD) site in the Berlin High School. Planning for this drill began about 6 months ago. The high school was set up according to the City's POD Plan and staffed by School, Fire, Police, Berlin EMS staff and several community volunteers. Once the POD was opened, Medical Counter Measures were provided to AVH, St Vincent de Paul Nursing Home, and Coos County Nursing Home, as well as to the general public. Volunteer turnout from the public was low, but we were able to test the capabilities of the system with the volunteers and some of the POD staff. The exercise was a success and a great learning experience. There will be an After Action Report with an improvement plan to assist the City of Berlin in improving our capabilities to provide medicine to area residents. The planning team consisted of Jim Richardson, Anna Shum, and Elaine Belanger from the North Country Health Consortium, Corinne Cascadden from SAU3, Lt. Barney Valliere from the Berlin Police Department, Peter Higbee from Berlin City Council, Chief John Lacasse from Berlin Fire, Jeffrey Lacroix from St. Vincent de Paul Nursing Home, Brandon Gilbert from Coos County Family Health, and Brian O'Hearn from AVH.
- 2. The April 3<sup>rd</sup> Right to Know Workshop presented by the NH Municipal Association was well attended, including members of the City Council, BOA, School Board, and Police Commission.
- 3. Camoin Associates started the comprehensive economic development strategy planning at an event held Thursday, April 4<sup>th,</sup> at the White Mountains Community College from 6 pm-7:30 pm. It was well attended by municipal board members and interested citizens. There were approximately 75 attendees. Camoin will be back in August for a follow-up public meeting.
- 4. The annual rabies clinic, for cats and dogs, was held at the Berlin Recreation Center on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. Shelli Fortin and Helen Poirier from the City Clerk's office registered a total of 69 dogs.
- 5. Sealed Bids for Airport Improvements at the Airport were received April 12, 2019 at 2:00 pm. The project consists of rehabilitation of Runway 18-36 and airfield sign improvements. There were three bidders, with Axtell's Pavement Solution being the low bidder at \$334,535.00. The bid tally sheet is attached.
- 6. Over the summer of 2018, researchers from the Androscoggin River Watershed Stream Crossing Assessment Project (AWSCAP) completed a total watershed assessment of 1,200 locations where roads and streams intersected. Residents, landowners, professionals, and municipal leaders are invited to attend an information session Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at the White Mountains Community College from 5:00 to 7:00 pm to discuss their findings. Project partners will briefly discuss the effect of good/poor crossings on aquatic

ecosystem health, flood resiliency, and infrastructure integrity. The project is a collaboration between the Androscoggin River Watershed Council (ARWC), New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFGD), North Country Council (NCC), White Mountains Community College (WMCC), The Conservation Fund (TCF), NH DES, and NH DOT.

- 7. FERC sent notice that HSE Hydro NH Smith LLC licensee, owner of the J. Brodie Smith Project, has filed a notice that it has changed its name to CRP NH Smith, LLC. The change is of name only and there has been no change in the legal entity holding the license. CRP stands for Central Rivers Power. The full FERC Notice is attached.
- 8. Today is the final day of Berlin's Parking Ban. Hopefully spring is truly on the way!!
- 9. The PWD report is attached.

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

# 7. Mayor's Report

a. Proclamation - National Drinking Water Week

WHEREAS, The City of Berlin has owned a municipal water supply since July 01, 1925, known as the Berlin Water Works; and

WHEREAS, The Berlin Water Works will be entering its 93rd year of operations as a municipal water supplier to the City of Berlin; and

WHEREAS, water is a basic and essential need of every living creature; and

WHEREAS, our health, safety, comfort and standard of living depend upon an abundant supply of high quality water; and

WHEREAS, each citizen is being called upon to protect our source supplies from pollution, practice water conservation, and become involved in water policy decision; and

WHEREAS, citizens are invited to visit the Ammonoosuc Water Treatment Facility located off Jericho Road (Route 110) during open house Monday, May 6th through Friday, May 10th between the hours of 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM to inspect and become aware of the water treatment process used to treat the water taken from the North Branch of the Upper Ammonoosuc River known as the Godfrey Dam Reservoir supply.

WHEREAS. The City of Berlin acknowledges the importance to recognize a National Drinking Water Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Paul R. Grenier, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Berlin, New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5 to May 11, 2019 as NATIONAL DRINKING WATER WEEK and urge all citizens to recognize the need for water source protection, conservation, public involvement and become aware of the value, importance and fragility of our water resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Great City of Berlin, New Hampshire on this 15th of April in the year of our Lord, 2019.

### b. Letter from Nancy Delafontaine

Mayor Grenier read the letter received from Nancy Delafontaine:

Mr. Mayor,

I am writing to you to see about getting a slow down sign put up on Brown Street and Monty Road. The building across the street just moved in and they have 6 kids and I have 3 great-grandchildren and they play in the front yard. They go down pretty fast. Thank you for taking your time to read this.

Nancy Delafontaine 6 Brown Street

Councilor Rozek moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to accept the correspondence and refer a copy to the Traffic Safety Committee, along with a copy to the Police Department and the City Engineer. So moved, the motion carried.

Councilor Rozek moved, with a second by Councilor Higbee, to accept the Mayor's Report and place it on file. So moved, the motion carried.

- **8.** PUBLIC COMMENTS There were no public comments.
- **9.** Council Comments There were no Council comments.
- **10.** Adjournment

At approximately 8:48 p.m. Councilor Rozek moved to resume the non-public session per RSA 91-A:2 (d). A roll call vote was taken. Councilor Higbee - Aye, Councilor Rozek - Aye, Councilor Berthiaume- Aye, Councilor Theberge - Aye, Councilor Remillard - Aye, Councilor Otis - Aye, Councilor Gentili - Aye, Mayor Grenier - Aye. The motion passed.

A True Record, Attest:

Shelli Fortin City Clerk

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