

# Memo

**To:** Berlin City Council  
**From:** Jim Wheeler, City Manager  
**Date:** 9/16/2019  
**Re:** City Manager's Report

1. There will be a Public Hearing on the State's 10 Year Transportation Plan on Thursday, September 19th, at 1:00 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium. The purpose of the Ten Year Plan is to develop and implement a plan allowing New Hampshire to fully participate in federally supported transportation improvement projects as well as to outline projects and programs funded with State transportation dollars. The document can be viewed on DOT's web site.
2. Berlin Ambulance has forwarded its monthly statistics and they are attached. Chris Dubey informed that BEMS anticipates delivery of a new van on or about the 17th of this month. They are also acquiring new "X series" defibrillators and they are working the possibility of acquiring refurbished power lift stretchers.
3. The House and Senate will both meet this week to consider override votes—the House, on Wednesday, September 18th, and the Senate, on Thursday, September 19th. Below are some of the bills in which municipalities have a strong interest.

Bill no.	Description	NHMA position
HB 183	Requires electric distribution companies to purchase baseload renewable generation credits from eligible biomass energy facilities	OVERRIDE veto
HB 365	Increases cap for net metering projects to 5 megawatts. NHMA POLICY.	OVERRIDE veto
HB 409	Increases maximum optional fee for local transportation improvements. NHMA POLICY.	OVERRIDE veto
HB 706	Establishes an independent redistricting commission. NHMA POLICY.	OVERRIDE veto
SB 100	Prohibits employers from asking about criminal history on employment applications.	SUSTAIN veto
SB 148	Requires public employers to allow labor union representatives to meet with employees on the employer's premises	SUSTAIN veto
SB 271	Requires payment of "minimum prevailing hourly rate of wages and benefits" to workers on public works projects.	SUSTAIN veto

4. Engine 1 sustained some minor damage at a fire at 388 Westcott Street on Saturday, September 7th. The damage not affect the operation or the functionality of the engine, however some of the lights and stickers were melted, and all the rear compartment doors have been wrinkled or distorted from the heat. A claim was filed with Primex and it is under review.

5. The BTLA granted a Motion to Extend the deadline for responding to its order regarding tax abatements until September 30, 2019
6. The White Mountain Community College has invited the Council to an informational dinner prepared by the students and faculty of their Culinary Arts and Baking and Pastry Arts Program Wednesday, October 2nd from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP prior to September 25th.
7. The filing period for the November 5th, 2019 election will begin Monday, September 23rd at 9:00 a.m. and will end Monday, October 7, 2019 at 4:00 pm. Candidates must be registered voters in the City of Berlin. Candidates for Mayor must have been a Berlin resident for at least two years and candidates for City Council must have been a Berlin resident for at least one year.
8. Burgess BioPower will be going before the Planning Board at their October meeting for a Preliminary Design Review of their plans for an onsite greenhouse project.
9. Chris Fournier, PE and structural engineer from HEB reviewed the west span of the Mason St. bridge and will be working with the City in planning for this project. Mr. Fournier also reviewed the Fire Dept. structural floor condition and will be helping us with repair/capacity improving recommendations.

# 2019 BEMS Call Log SUMMARY

	Calls	Emergency	Non E.	LD	ND	NT	Gorham	Milan
January	173	112	27	19	120	34	1	1
February	136	96	18	16	98	22	3	3
March	162	117	13	26	104	32	0	0
April	166	119	14	27	106	33	0	5
May	145	102	15	18	99	28	0	4
June	151	105	13	27	91	33	4	3
July	162	114	15	17	112	33	1	6
August	184	113	18	17	114	53	2	4
September								
October								
November								
December								
	1279	878	133	167	844	268	11	26

2015	1748
2016	1721
2017	1771
2018	1787

Calls=Total number

Emergency= Calls that require a trip to the Emergency room, or another hospital

Non Emergency= Calls that require a patient to be brought from the local hospital home, or to a local nursing facility.

LD= Long Distance transport

ND= Normal distance transport

NT= No transport, a non billable call, either refusal of care, cancellation, no patient, ect.

Gorham and Milan calls represent a responded call from that community.

## Filing Dates for November 5th Election

### PUBLIC NOTICE

### BERLIN MUNICIPAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 5, 2019

The filing period for the following elected positions will begin Monday, September 23, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. and will end Monday, October 7, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the City Clerk's Office. All candidates must be registered voters in the City of Berlin. Candidates for Mayor must have been a Berlin resident for two (2) years. Candidates for City Council must have been a Berlin resident for one (1) year. The Municipal Election is nonpartisan.

At the January 10, 2012 Election, Berlin Voters passed a City Charter Amendment to reduce Berlin's four (4) wards to one (1) single ward. For Election purposes only, Council voted to keep the same four (4) voting districts as they were. The voting districts are now referred to as voting precincts.

The following elected positions are available:

AT LARGE (CITY-WIDE)	TERM
1 - MAYOR	2 year
4 - COUNCILORS	4 year
4 - MODERATORS	2 year
4 - WARD CLERKS	2 year
12 - SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST	2 year
1 - SCHOOL BOARD	4 year
3 - SCHOOL BOARD	2 year
1 - LIBRARY TRUSTEE	4 year
1 - LIBRARY TRUSTEE	2 year

If you would like to run for office, you must file a candidacy form with the City Clerk's Office within the above noted filing dates during business hours except of the first and last day of filing. You may call the City Clerk's Office 752-2340 or email: [sfortin@berlinnh.gov](mailto:sfortin@berlinnh.gov) if you need more information or to see if you currently are a registered voter.





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Greetings!

Exciting things continue to happen at White Mountains Community College and throughout all of the Community College System of New Hampshire, and we would like to bring you up-to-date while sharing with you a delightful dinner prepared by students and faculty in our Culinary Arts and Baking & Pastry Arts Programs.

Please be our guest, and join our College and Program Advisors, North Country Legislators, Community College System Trustees, and other guests from throughout the region for an informational meeting on Wednesday, October 2, 2019, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the WMCC Bistro.

We hope you will be able to attend this informative event. Please RSVP to Colbie Ayotte at 603-342-3038 or [cayotte@ccsnh.edu](mailto:cayotte@ccsnh.edu) by September 25, 2019. We look forward to seeing you next month!

Sincerely,

Charles Lloyd, Ed.D.  
President