

Memo

To: Berlin City Council
From: Jim Wheeler, City Manager
Date: 5-7-2018
Re: City Manager's Report

1. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) approved the Groundwater Management Permit for closed Cates Hills Landfill. The permit is issued for a period of 5 years to monitor groundwater quality and is a renewal of the Permit that expired on March 10, 2018.
2. On Friday, April 20th, the signing of Senate Bill 402, which names part of Route 110 after Tony Urban, took place at the State house.
3. There will be an online/virtual meeting with Spohn Ranch on Wednesday May 23rd at 6pm to look at review skate park design ideas. Advertising for the public event will start later this week. Public Works has been working on evaluating site conditions and we are working with Eversource to understand what they will and will not allow under their aerial easement area which overlays the southwestern corner of the property. The project is still on target to be built and completed late in summer or early fall.
4. The City's Fuel Oil contract is out for bid with bids due May 8th. This information can be considered in the final budget.
5. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Route 16 Project will be held Friday, May 11th at the Service Credit Union Heritage Park at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will follow.
6. The Berlin Main Street Program will host the Downtown Day of Caring on Friday, May 18th. Starting at 9:00 a.m. They are looking for volunteers to help rake, prune, sweep, mulch, weed, and plant their way through multiple sites in the downtown area. You can sign up to volunteer at berlinmainstreetprogram@gmail.com or calling 603-752-6246 or 603-381-1520.
7. EMS Study consultant interviews were held Friday, May 4th. A recommendation for a consultant will be made to Mayor and Council once the process is completed.
8. We have two tax deeded properties out for bids that are due May 15th. There are an additional four that will be out soon.
9. The two new pick-up trucks purchased for Public Works have been received.
10. Ethan Lopez of Boy Scout Troop 207 visited the Fire Station for a few hours to "work" with the firefighters. Ethan is working on his community Service Merit badge and the Fire Department was one of the places he chose to perform some of his hours. Ethan assisted with inventory, the Engine 2 weekly truck check as well as washing Engine 2.

11. DES will be holding a public hearing tomorrow, Tuesday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium regarding an expansion of the Mt. Carberry Landfill to add 710,000 cubic yards of capacity on top of the existing landfill. This expansion is projected to extend the facility's life expectancy by about 2.3 years.
12. The Stand Up Androscoggin Valley Coalition will host an event Tuesday, May 15th from 6-8 p.m. at the Medallion Opera House/Gorham Town Hal. It will focus on the legal consequences of substance misuse and some of the pathways to manage it. A flyer and agenda are attached.
13. Opportunity Zones encourage long-term investment in the areas in which they are located. Created by the Federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act last December, the program provides tax incentives for investors who reinvest unrealized capital gains into qualified Opportunity Zones. Berlin has been nominated by the Governor for a census tract east of NH Rte. 16. The nominations have been forwarded to the US Treasury Department which has 30 days to designate these tracts as Opportunity Zones. The future site of North Country Growers is within this tract.
14. Statistics from the Public Works, Fire and Police Departments are attached.
15. Also attached is a report from Fire Chief John Lacasse outlining some of his department's projects and accomplishments over recent weeks.

CONSEQUENCES AND PATHWAYS FORWARD

**Criminal Justice Responses to
Substance Use and Crime:
Where Accountability and
Treatment Meet**

TUESDAY MAY 15, 2018 6-8PM
MEDALLION OPERA HOUSE
GORHAM TOWN HALL, 20 PARK ST.

**STAND UP ANDROSCOGGIN
VALLEY COALITION
COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL EVENT**

Join community members and students for a free program to learn more about substance misuse and some the legal consequences. Hear about the NH Drug Court system and the newly formed Coös County Drug Court, an overview of the Federal Correctional Institution in Berlin and hear from an inmate, and finally an introduction to the new local Restorative Justice Program for young people. Representatives from the local drug and alcohol treatment and recovery community will be present to answer questions and assist anyone in need.



Welcome

Lt. Michael Gentili

**Coös County Sheriff's
Office**

Hon. Tina Nadeau

**Chief Justice, New
Hampshire Superior
Court**

Robert Nylín

**Northern Human
Services, Director of
Drug Courts for Coos &
Carroll County**

Robert Hazlewood

Warden, FCI Berlin

Inmate Speaker

FCI Berlin

Det. Adam Marsh

**Berlin Police
Department/Youth**

**Restorative Justice
Program**

CONSEQUENCES

And Pathways Forward

**Criminal Justice Responses to Substance Use and Crime:
Where Accountability and Treatment Meet**

Stand Up Androscoggin Valley
a community educational event
Tuesday May 15, 2018 | 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Medallion Opera House at Gorham Town Hall
20 Park Street, Gorham, NH

Program:

- 6:00 PM** **Welcome** – Mike Gentili, Lieutenant, Coos County Sheriff's Department and Stand Up Androscoggin Valley Coalition
- 6:05 PM** **NH Drug Court** – The Hon. Tina Nadeau Chief Justice of NH's Superior Court
- 6:30 PM** **Drug Court in the North Country** – Robert Nylin, Northern Human Services, Director of Drug Treatment Court-Carroll and Coos County
- Drug Court Q&A for Chief Justice Nadeau and Bob Nylin (10 min)*
- 6:50 PM** **Overview of FCI Berlin** – Warden Hazlewood
- 7:00 PM** **Inmate voices**
- 7:20 PM** **Restorative Justice Program** – Detective Adam Marsh, Berlin Police Department
- 7:40 PM** **General questions for all presenters**
- 7:55PM** **Goodnight** – *feel free to ask questions or share stories.*

The mission of the *Stand Up Androscoggin Valley Coalition* is to reduce and prevent substance abuse among youth by working together to build a healthy, safe and drugfree community.

**City of Berlin Public Works Department
2018 Activity Report**

	Year 2016	Year 2017	Year to Date 2018	Jan 2018	Feb 2018	Mar 2018	Apr 2018	May 2018	Jun 2018	July 2018	Aug 2018	Sept 2018	Oct 2018	Nov 2018	Dec 2018
Total Service Requests/Work Orders	895	937	401	170	71	74	86								
Administrative	82	60	18	6	3	3	6								
Cemetery burials	15	17	6	3	2	0	1								
Maintenance: Bldg/Furniture repair, Fences/Railings/Walls, Lawns/Trees, Signs	221	129	56	11	8	16	21								
Parks and Grounds	79	101	20	4	6	4	6								
Refuse/Recycle/Yard Waste	62	53	20	3	2	10	5								
Sanitary Sewer	108	86	23	5	6	6	6								
Storm Drainage System	91	80	45	23	13	2	7								
Streets and Highways: Repairs of curbs/sidewalks/streets, line painting, sweeping, sanding, sand barrels, paving and potholes	237	411	213	115	31	33	34								

City Owned Property Service Requests															
City Hall	64	53	14	3	4	5	2								
Recreation Dept.	18	20	9	2	5	2	0								
Library	9	9	3	1	2	0	0								
Fire Dept.	7	9	2	1	0	0	1								
Schools	7	8	1	1	0	0	0								
Parks/Fields/Other City owned	68	76	12	4	0	2	6								

City of Berlin Fire Department

Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {04/01/2018} And {04/30/2018}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
1 Fire				
111 Building fire	2	3.77%	\$0	0.00%
131 Passenger vehicle fire	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
151 Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
	4	7.54%	\$0	0.00%
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
300 Rescue, EMS incident, other	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
311 Medical assist, assist EMS crew	7	13.20%	\$0	0.00%
381 Rescue or EMS standby	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
	9	16.98%	\$0	0.00%
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
400 Hazardous condition, Other	6	11.32%	\$0	0.00%
424 Carbon monoxide incident	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
441 Heat from short circuit (wiring),	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
444 Power line down	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
463 Vehicle accident, general cleanup	3	5.66%	\$0	0.00%
481 Attempt to burn	2	3.77%	\$0	0.00%
	15	28.30%	\$0	0.00%
5 Service Call				
500 Service Call, other	7	13.20%	\$0	0.00%
511 Lock-out	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
520 Water problem, Other	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	2	3.77%	\$0	0.00%
542 Animal rescue	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
551 Assist police or other governmental agency	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
553 Public service	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
561 Unauthorized burning	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
	15	28.30%	\$0	0.00%
6 Good Intent Call				
600 Good intent call, Other	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
631 Authorized controlled burning	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
671 HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
	3	5.66%	\$0	0.00%

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Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {04/01/2018} And {04/30/2018}

Incident Type	Count	Pct of Incidents	Total Est Loss	Pct of Losses
7 False Alarm & False Call				
712 Direct tie to FD, malicious false alarm	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	3	5.66%	\$0	0.00%
744 Detector activation, no fire -	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>6</u>	<u>11.32%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
9 Special Incident Type				
911 Citizen complaint	1	1.88%	\$0	0.00%
	<u>1</u>	<u>1.88%</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Total Incident Count: 53				
Total Est Loss:			\$0	

Berlin Police Department
May 2018 Commissioner's Meeting
- March 2018 Activity Report -

	March 2018	Year To Date 1/1 - 3/31/2017	Year To Date 1/1 - 3/31/2018	Difference %
Total Calls for Service	1718	5470	5165	-5.58%
Milan Calls for Service	71	211	234	10.90%
Total Arrests	71	159	182	14.47%
Protective Custody Arrests	4	16	10	-37.50%
Felonies	13	40	40	0.00%
Misdemeanors	47	238	158	-33.61%
Thefts	15	65	50	-23.08%
Burglaries	1	7	3	-57.14%
Vandalism/Criminal Mischief	4	34	17	-50.00%
Criminal Threatening	11	26	26	0.00%
Sexual Assaults	4	17	10	-41.18%
Assaults	11	20	25	25.00%
Domestic Violence Incidents	22	39	65	66.67%
Verbal Arguments	2	13	15	15.38%
Restraining/Stalking Orders	13	20	35	75.00%
Drug Complaints	11	60	49	-18.33%
Suspected Overdose	0	6	3	-50.00%
Motor Vehicle Stops	203	736	542	-26.36%
Motor Vehicle Violations	29	81	90	11.11%
Motor Vehicle Warnings	121	551	350	-36.48%
OHRV Complaints	4	11	15	36.36%
OHRV Stops	0	7	6	-14.29%
OHRV Accidents	0	1	4	300.00%
DWI Violations	6	6	12	100.00%
Accidents	15	60	65	8.33%
Accidents Within an Intersection	4	12	24	100.00%
Parking Tickets	50	124	134	8.06%
Dog Complaints	26	73	87	19.18%
Animal Complaints (other)	8	20	17	-15.00%
Assists to other Berlin Departments	29	100	111	11.00%
Assist to Berlin Ambulance	78	255	236	-7.45%
Assists to Gorham PD	7	12	16	33.33%
Assists from Gorham PD	11	6	16	166.67%
Juvenile Incidents	14	28	35	25.00%
Juvenile Arrests	2	7	4	-42.86%
Officers issued 50 parking tickets for the following reasons:				
Winter Parking Ban - 1st Offense	36			
Winter Parking Ban - 2nd Offense	8			
Winter Parking Ban - 3rd Offense	1			
Away from Curb	1			
Restricted Area	1			
Against Traffic	2			
Other	1			

Monday, May 7, 2018

City Council Meeting

Fire Department Report

- Engine 4 went down to Coastal Truck in Portsmouth today for the frame rail replacement.
- The City Seal has been added to the pick-up and the UTV trailer is set to receive its City Seal in the next week or so.
- The Department will be returning the Forestry Jeep in the next couple of weeks. The vehicle has been on loan to us from the Division of Forests and Lands since 1989. It was initially given to us to use for wildland fires but, became part of the Fire Department response equipment for the Haz-Mat team at the mill complex. Since the mill has closed and the Haz-Mat team is no more, the vehicle has mostly sat idle. With the addition of our UTV and ATV, along with the pick-up and the quick response by Forest and Lands it is no longer necessary. Since space is at a premium within the station it was decided that we will return it to the state.
- As some of you may know, the National Guard Armory will be decommissioned this year. In a conversation with some of our personnel, representatives at the Armory offered the Department lockers, desks, chairs, and some office supplies. As a result, the personnel were able to acquire new (to us) lockers for our gear, much needed desks and chairs for our training room, and a large amount of copy paper. We were able to offer some much needed chairs to the Recreation Department for their programs as a result.
- The washing machine that we use for our gear finally decided to give up after our last structure fire. We will be installing our new commercial gear washer in the next couple of weeks but, in the meantime, Captain Pat Tremblay was able to acquire a new washer from Lowes in Littleton (his sister works there) for a deep discount. Pat's Heating donated the rest of the money for the washer so, a special thank you goes out to him for that!!
- The Department was chosen late last year to take part in the Get Alarmed NH program to install smoke detectors in owner occupied single family homes in the City. Eligibility was for homeowner's with small children or homes with occupants 60 years of age and older. The program has been very successful and several hundred smoke detectors have been installed in Berlin. We recently received two more pallets of detectors and will be completing installations this spring.
- The men have also been working on creating a new fitness center in the department. They have cleaned out the old equipment and are working with the Trust on a grant for new equipment.

John C. Lacasse

Fire Chief