

City of Berlin, NH

Office of the City Manager



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

01-02-2024

1. A majority of the storm damage that was recently sustained has been cleaned up and or repaired. There are instances where we will need to return and set a finish grade or pave the area.
2. Repairs at the Watson Street pump station are ongoing. Untreated sewage continues to leak to the river. the contractor is working quickly to complete repairs to prevent this. The cause of this damage is likely due to the storm -- the combination of extremely high groundwater and introduction of large quantities of rain water into the collection system overwhelmed the pump station. DES and EPA have been notified and are receiving periodic updates. This is one phase of the repair – the outfall pipe will need repair and plans need to be considered that will provide either permanent or temporary redundancy of the pipe that moves effluent from Watson Street to the treatment plant – there is only one pipe performing this function, making maintenance and repairs difficult and sometimes impossible.
3. As of this report no update has been received on the status of replacement equipment for the Hutchins Street traffic light. Temporary stop signs have been installed at the intersection to assist drivers who are confused about the need to stop at a flashing red light.