

Memo

To: Berlin City Council
From: Jim Wheeler, City Manager
Date: 5/3/2021
Re: City Manager's Report

1. Oil and Propane Bids were opened on Thursday, 4/29/21. We received bids from Irving and CN Brown. CN Brown was awarded the bid at bulk price of \$2.129/gallon and local price of \$2.259/gallon for fuel oil and fixed price of \$1.309/gallon for propane. Irving's bid was at bulk price of \$2.231/gallon and local price of \$2.26/gallon for fuel oil and fixed price of \$1.578/gallon for propane. I have reached out to departments to determine if any adjustment need to be made to their FY22 fuel pricing.
2. Bids were opened for work on the Mason Street Bridge on 4/29/21. The single bidder, R.M. Piper Construction bid in the amount of \$564,385. As you will recall, the estimate for the work was \$300,000. I will be evaluating options with HEB before bringing any recommendation to the City Council.
3. On Tuesday 4/27/21, a preconstruction meeting took place with representatives of Wright-Pierce, Cross Construction and the City for the Phase 2 Contract 1 I&I Project. Activity on the project will start within the next few weeks. Notices have been sent to property owners who may require plumbing modifications.
4. First dates for meetings pertaining to the required update of the Berlin Hazard Mitigation Plan are now being considered. Mapping, Planning and Solutions from Whitefield will facilitate the multi-agency effort and produce the updated plan. The update will be 80% funded through a reimbursement grant from NH Homeland Security. The total effort is expected to cost \$12,499.69. This effort is being coordinated through Chief Jay Watkins.