

**Town of Berlin Public Works Board  
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**Commissioners**

**Rob Allen / John Charissakis/ Henry Lague Jr. /  
Wayne Lamberton / Gary Laroche**

**Regular Meeting  
Monday April 23, 2018  
Approved Minutes**

**Present: Rob Allen (RA) Chair, Henry Lague Jr. (HL), Wayne Lamberton (WL), Gary Laroche (GL),  
Tim Percy (TP) and Thomas Badowski (TB).**

**Absent: John Charissakis (JC)**

**Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.**

**Public Comment** - Tim Percy introduced himself as a recent Officer to the Weston Mobile Home Coop Board (WMH) of Directors. RA suggested that the Board discuss the Route 12 Force Main Status agenda item at this time. RA gave an account of the Route 12 project which TP noted that WMH was familiar. He opined that though WMH sympathized with the project, currently WMP was not in a position to participate financially. TB noted that without the Route 12 project, the WMH subdivision is likely in violation of that Zoning Permit. If so, no new homes could be moved into WMH until that violation is cured. All agreed to keep an open dialogue and suggested TB meet with the entire WMH Board at their earliest convenience.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Berlin Water Company**

TB stated that he spoke with Dean Hedges and confirmed his asking price of \$160K for Berlin Water Company (BWC). TB confirmed that the most recent BWC billing indicated that annual revenues were \$11,500 and estimated annual operating expenses of \$6,500. WL stated that an offer to purchase of \$20,000 would equate to four years of profit of BWC. A discussion followed. WL moved and RA second a Motion to offer \$20,000 for BWC and that Rob Halpert draft the offer letter. During discussion, HL stated that he believes the offer should be \$10,000. The vote was call with ALL In Favor EXCEPT HL who opposed.

**3Q18 Billing**

TB informed the Board that 14M gallons of wastewater were billed and 19M gallons were sent for treatment a 34% difference. He stated that the normal difference was 16%. Several large users were down from their 3Q17 rates, including Central Vermont Hospital and Hilltop Inn. Staff will continue to investigate.

**Paine Turnpike North Wastewater Improvement Project**

TB confirmed that the Income Survey will be sent out to active and prospective residential sewer customers the week of April 23, 2018. An announcement of same has appeared on Front Porch Forum. RA will post an additional Front Porch Forum appeal.

**Well #4**

TB anticipates DRAFT funding applications for Board review at the May 14, 2018, meeting

**Minutes** – WL moved and HL second as motion to approve the Minutes from April 09, 2018, as written. Motion passed unanimously.

**Warrants** –

- WL made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant Report 18S17 for checks # 3121 - 3124 in the amount of \$34,110.02 with HL second. Motion passed unanimously.
- WL made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant Report 18W17 for checks # 10226 - 10227 in the amount of \$25.00 with HL second. Motion passed unanimously.

**Round Table** –

None

**Adjourned** - Motion made by WL with second by GL to adjourn at 8:17 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Thomas J. Badowski  
Recording Secretary  
Berlin Public Works Board