

Town of Berlin Sewer Commission
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Commissioners
Rob Allen / John Charissakis/Henry LaGue Jr. /
Wayne Lambertson / Dana Marinneau
Assistant - Mary S Wissell

Regular Meeting
Approved Minutes
Monday March 27, 2017

Present: Rob Allen, Chair; John Charissakis, Henry LaGue, Wayne Lambertson,
Ron Mercier and Mary Wissell.

Absent: Dana Marinneau

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

Public Comment – None

Paine Turnpike Sewer Feasibility Review – Ron Lyon presented a project narrative and advised DuBois & King had collected quite a bit of data and will provide copies for the Sewer Commission files. Alternative Routes and Sections were reviewed again. The study also reviews the alternative of continuing the gravity sewer along Paine Turnpike to connect to the Montpelier municipal sewer at the City's water treatment plant. This extension of the gravity sewer would eliminate the need for a municipal pump station at Stewart Road. The report included discussion of the alternatives for providing the gravity sewer system, issues associated with those alternatives, initial opinions of probable costs for construction of the alternatives and recommendations for additional review. Advantages and disadvantages to the different alternatives were discussed. Section 3 – Wayne Lambertson advised that he will install a piece of this line and asked for a breakdown of numbers for Section 1, 2 and 3. This breakdown will also help the Commissioners make a decision in determining whether or not to move forward with the project. Ron Lyon is to email projected costs for these sections.

Bids for Route 302 Gravity Line Repair. Closed bids were requested, the submittal deadline was Tuesday March 21, 2017 at 3:00 PM. Three bids were received and opened at this meeting. Bids submitted were: Hebert Excavation \$ 158,600; DuBois Construction \$ 78,530; and Courland Construction Corp \$54,250. The project was discussed and bids were compared to the bid specifications. Wayne Lambertson made a motion to award the bid to Courland Construction Corp. Henry LaGue 2nd the motion. Vote - all in favor.

Maintenance – Ron Mercier advised that Jim Bond who owns land where the Route 302 repairs will be done, has requested to have a stub installed for future use when the line was dug up. It was decided that if the contractor does install the stub it would need to be brought up to the town ROW. After the work is done the town will send a bill to the landowner. Dana Marineau needs to return to do this.

Montpelier Public Works – Letters from William Fraser were reviewed re charges and credits to be paid to Berlin Sewer Commission were discussed. A letter that refers to the 34 percentage rate that is derived from the joint community contract and the credits for septage and leachate charges was discussed. The article was tabled until the Commissioners have reviewed all past letters that resulted in the agreed upon annual credit. Mary Wissell is to request the rates from Montpelier Public Works that are charged for the disposal of septage and leachate, as well as copies of randomly selected bills for each customer. The article was tabled until the Commission has reviewed these rates, customer invoices and all correspondence re the past agreed upon credit amounts.

Minutes – Henry LaGue made a motion to approve minutes from February 27, 2017 as written. John Charissakis 2nd the motion. Vote – all in favor.

Warrants – Wayne Lambertson made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant Report 17S19 dated Mar 27, 2017 checks #2945 - #2952 in the amount of \$ 33,542.04. Henry LaGue 2nd the motion. Vote – all in favor.

Round Table – None

Adjourned - Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P M. Motion made by Henry LaGue. 2nd by John Charissakis. Vote – all in favor.

Mary S. Wissell
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Date Approved: April 24, 2017