

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

**Rob Allen / John Charissakis/ Henry Lague Jr. /  
Wayne Lamberton / Dana Marineau**

**Regular Meeting  
Monday October 23, 2017  
Approved Minutes**

**Present: Rob Allen (RA), Chair; Henry Lague Jr. (HL), Dana Marineau (DM), Wayne Lamberton (WL), Ron Lyon (RL), Ron Mercier (RM) and Thomas Badowski (TB).**

**Absent: John Charissakis (JC)**

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

**Public Comment - No Public Comment**

**Paine Turnpike Feasibility Study** – RL reviewed “Sewer Extension Funding Review” as prepared by his office with emphasis on:

- 1) State
  - a) Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund
  - b) Efficiency Vermont
- 2) Federal
  - a) USDA Rural Development
- 3) Public
  - a) City of Montpelier

RL and TB attended an October 19, 2017, meeting with VT DEC to discuss possible funding sources. VT DEC stated that Planning and Final Design loan monies are available through their Clean Water Program. These loans have a 50% forgiveness, up to \$100K, for qualified projects.

WL moved to apply to VT DEC for funds to expand sewer line along Paine Turnpike North to include Planning and Final Engineering and Design of Phase 1 and Phase 2 with a second from HL. Motion passed unanimously.

**Maintenance –**

- RM stated that he performed pump tests at Shaw’s Station post the October 20, 2017, Ice Pigging and reports an increase in Pump 1 rate to 160 GPM and an increase in Pump 2 to 120 GPM. Discussion was had concerning upgrading Pump 2 to the same Make and Model of Pump 1 in an effort to reduce the likelihood of solids settling out and causing restricted flows. HL made a Motion to procure a new pump to replace Pump 2 per Staff recommendation with a second from WL. Motion passed unanimously.

- RM reported Shaw's Station has recently shown signs of grease accumulation. TB further stated that Zoning Application for replacement of Burger King on Route 302 indicated that no grease trap was in use at that facility. General discussion of reviewing the Sewer Regulations with respect to the requirement of grease traps and contacting customer base to provide regulatory compliance.

### **Staff Report**

- September 2017 Sewer Flow Rate of 5,764,800 gallons reported.
- September 2017 Water Production Rate of 878,550 gallons reported.
- Sewer Allocation Application by Dog River Brewery and Tap Room (DR) was discussed with concern over BOD impact on overall system cost. After a lengthy discussion WL made a Motion to Approve Allocation Application 17-101 and DM seconded with the following Conditions:
  - Application be signed by Parcel owner AND DR ownership
  - An Application fee \$1,710 be received
  - Clause 11 be added which states "Berlin Sewer Commission reserves the right to require pretreatment and/or impose BOD surcharges based on strength of wastewater discharged to the sewer system"

Motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes** – WL moved and DM second as motion to approve the Minutes from September 25, 2017, Meeting as written. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Warrants –**

- DM made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant Report 18S07 for checks # 3035 - 3038 in the amount of \$4,356.91 with WL second. Motion passed unanimously.
- DM made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant Report 18W07 for checks # 10182 - 10183 in the amount of 818.42 with WL second. Motion passed unanimously.
- DM made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant Report 18S08 for checks # 3039 - 3049 in the amount of \$64,039.44 with WL second. Motion passed unanimously
- DM made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Warrant Report 18W08 for checks # 10184 - 10189 in the amount of 4,234.00 with WL second. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Round Table –**

- DM opined that the decision to extend the sewer line along Paine Turnpike North was long in the making but is the correct decision.

**Adjourned** - Motion made by WL with second by RA to adjourn at 8:47 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Thomas J. Badowski  
Recording Secretary  
Berlin Sewer Commission