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TOWN OF BERLIN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, January 20, 2026
Town Council Chambers (in person)
Remote Meeting
7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

D. AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

E. MAYOR'S UPDATE

F. MEETING AGENDA – Immediately Following the Mayor's Update

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Topic re: Report out from CT Department of Public Health on Bright Feeds – Town Manager
2. Topic re: Approve the recommended Enhancements to the Fire Department Reward Programs. – Fire Administrator
3. Topic re: Waive the Town of Berlin's purchasing requirements for the ongoing repair of municipal vehicles by Berlin Auto Center of Berlin, CT. This waiver shall authorize expenditures up to, but not exceeding, \$40,000 for the current fiscal year. This action is recommended as being in the best interest of the Town to ensure the continued maintenance and operational readiness of its fleet. – Municipal Garage
4. Topic re: Utilize State of CT DAS Contract no. 20PSX 0154 and approve the proposal from HazPros, Inc. of West Hartford, CT in the amount of \$46,440 which includes a twenty percent contingency for the required remaining asbestos abatement under the existing classroom unit ventilators at Griswold School as approved by the Public Building Commission. - Facilities

5. Topic re: Authorize the Town Manager to complete and execute the Trademark Sublicense Agreement to gain permission to use America 250 as part of the “America 250 | Berlin” logo. – Town Clerk/Berlin-Peck Memorial Library

H. APPOINTMENTS:

VACANCY LIST (As of 14 January 2026)

1. **Berlin-Peck Memorial Library Board – Vacancy** – Derrik Bosse has resigned. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2027. Can be filled with D, R or U.
2. **Berlin-Peck Memorial Library Board** – Elaine Borselle (D) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.
3. **Berlin-Peck Memorial Library Board** – Carol Welz (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.
4. **Berlin-Peck Memorial Library Board** – Kevin Wilhelm (D) term expires January 31, 2026, and he is not seeking reappointment. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U (depending on the above).
5. **Board of Ethics** – Antonina DeDominicis (R) term expires January 31, 2026. She has served six consecutive years and therefore, by charter, cannot be reappointed. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.
6. **Board of Ethics** – Deborah Reed (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.
7. **Board of Ethics** – Nick Nesci (R; Alternate) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with R or U.
8. **Cemetery Commission – Vacancy** – Riza Brown has resigned. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D or U.
9. **Central Connecticut Health District – Vacancy** – Replacement term would be until June 30, 2028.
10. **Commission for Persons with Disabilities** – Anna Metcalf (D) term expires January 31, 2026, and she is not seeking reappointment. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.
11. **Commission for Persons with Disabilities** – Paul Oates (D) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.

12. Conservation Commission – Vacancy – Robert Ramsey has resigned. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

13. Conservation Commission – Vacancy – Karl Lewis has resigned. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

14. Conservation Commission – Vacancy – Alternate - Replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

15. Conservation Commission – Vacancy – Alternate – Jason Pelletier has resigned Replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with a D, R or U (must be different affiliation than above alternate appointment).

16. Constables – Dominic Colangelo (D) term expired December 2025. Reappointment or replacement term would be until December 2027. Can be filled with D, R or U.

17. Constables – John Kozak (R) term expired December 2025. Reappointment or replacement term would be until December 2027. Can be filled with D, R or U.

18. Constables – Brian Kurnik (R) term expired December 2025. Reappointment or replacement term would be until December 2027. Can be filled with D, R or U.

19. Constables – 4 Vacancies – Terms would be until December 2027. Can be filled with R, D or U with no more than a bare majority to be from one political party (Section 8-6).

20. Economic Development Commission – Peter Campanelli (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

21. Economic Development Commission – Christopher Coppola III (U) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

22. Golf Course Commission – Vacancy (Ladies' Club Member) – Replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U and must be a Ladies' Club Member.

23. Golf Course Commission – Nancy Berger (R; Lady Niners Club Member) term expires January 31, 2026, and she is not seeking reappointment. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U & must be a Lady Niners Club Member.

24. Golf Course Commission – James Green (D; Mens' Club Member) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U & must be a Mens' Club Member.

25. Golf Course Commission – James Norton (R; Mens'Club Member) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U & must be a Mens' Club Member.

26. Historian – Sarah Caliandri (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

27. Historic District Commission – Herbert Watson (D) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

28. Historic District Commission – Andra Lou Millerd (R; Alternate) term expires January 31, 2026, and she is not seeking reappointment. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

29. Housing Authority Commission – Tenant Vacancy – Lisa Salamon has resigned. Replacement term would be until March 31, 2029. Can be filled with a D or U.

30. Housing Authority Commission – Vacancy – Replacement term would be until March 31, 2030. Can be filled with a D or U.

31. Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission – Vacancy – Gary Pavano Resigned. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D or U.

32. Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission – Frederick White (U) term expires January 31, 2026, and he is not seeking reappointment. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D or U.

33. Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission – Margaret Heeran (R; Alternate) term expires January 31, 2026. Replacement or reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.

34. Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission – Vacancy – Alternate - Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with a D, R or U (depending on above appointment).

35. Parks and Recreation Commission – Lucas Van Zandt (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.

36. Plainville Area Cable Television Advisory Council (PACTAC) – 2 Vacancies – New terms would be until June 30, 2025. Can be filled with a D, R or U. There are only two members from Berlin for this board.

37. Planning and Zoning Commission – Andra Lou Millerd (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

38. Planning and Zoning Commission – Joan Veley (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

39. Planning and Zoning Commission – Vacancy – Alternate - Michael Paszczuk has resigned. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

40. Veterans' Commission – Vacancy – Replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

41. Veterans' Commission – Vacancy – Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with a D, R or U (depending on the above appointment).

42. Veterans' Commission – Peter Galgano, Jr. (D) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U (depending on the above appointment).

43. VNA – Vacancy – Replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

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47. VNA – William Brightenti (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.

48. VNA – Aurora Corteville (D) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U.

49. VNA – Sheri Sala (U) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D, R or U (depending on the above appointment).

50. Water Control Commission – Vacancy – Alternate - Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

51. Water Control Commission – Warren Baethge (R; Alternate) term expires January 31, 2026, and he is not seeking reappointment. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with D or U.

52. Youth Services Advisory Board – Nicole Tierney (Services Consumer) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029.

53. Youth Services Advisory Board – Nathan DeJackome (Youth Representative) term expires January 31, 2026, and he is not eligible to be reappointed. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029.

54. Zoning Board of Appeals – Michael Simonetta (R) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

55. Zoning Board of Appeals – Vacancy – Alternate - Replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

56. Zoning Board of Appeals – Hunter Mathena (U; Alternate) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U.

57. Zoning Board of Appeals – Ryan Zelek (D; Alternate) term expires January 31, 2026. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2031. Can be filled with D, R or U (depending on the above appointment).

- I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:
- J. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- K. COUNCILORS' COMMUNICATION:
- L. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: January 6, 2026
- M. ADJOURNMENT