# Board of Ethics



Please return application to:

Town Manager's Office • 240 Kensington Road • Berlin, CT 06037

TOWN OF BERLIN
Application for Appointment to Boards and Commissions

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. Othics	2
Name: Antonina A. DeDominia's	Telephone No.:
Home Address: 27 Bluebud Lane (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:
Email Address: <u>Nina 62197@outlook</u> .	Om
Are you a Registered Voter?   (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Republican
Business Management / Educational Background (optional)	Accounting
Retired	
Present Employment (company/position)	
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: 300	d of Ethics and Treasurer
of the Republican Town Con	
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	lave 3 years experience
on the Board of Ethics.	
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could aris	se if you were appointed? None
Signature:	Date: 12119/2022

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. Ethics	2
Name: Susan Bordonaro	Telephone No.: 860-205-6449
Home Address: 81 61 anna la. (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 27
Email Address: Suepoli @ gol. Com	
Are you a Registered Voter? VES (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Republican
Educational Background (optional)	
NIA	
Present Employment (company/position)	
W/A	
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	
Chair, Berlin Republica	on Town Committee
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	rreat Hember
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could ar	ise if you were appointed?
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Signature: Susan Bardaxara	Date: / ) - 8 - 2 )

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1. Board of Ethics	2
Name: <u>TIFFANY 13Ernard</u>	Telephone No.: 800 874 3707
Home Address: 49 Main St (Kensing Dn) (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 31
Email Address: <u>TIFFANY MOW bridge bernard</u> eg	imail.com
Are you a Registered Voter? VCS (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: <u>Democrat</u> V
Educational Background (optional)	TOWN OF BERLIN '22 NOV 22 PM4:25
Present Employment (company/position)	
Hus Stanley St New Bytain Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	
Democratic run committee, sec. of	Pancakec comission
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	
expenence in town politics, legal str	des, 53 4 3 5
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	if you were appointed?
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Signature: TIPPENG PSCWOUD	Date: 11 22 27

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1. Boardof Ethics Alt	2
Name: Deboral Reed	Telephone No.: 860-829-5234
Home Address: 7/ Magnolia In East Berlin (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:
Email Address: Debskireedskiegmeil.com	
Are you a Registered Voter? Ves (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R
Educational Background (optional)	1
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Home maker Present Employment (company/position)	RECE BERN 2022 D
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Board	of Ethics Alt 2022
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	ked in healthcare as a radiation
therapist and othics training was required.	
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could aris	
Signature: World & Mrs.	Date: 12/15/22

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## Andrew Pulcini

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Status

Name

Andrew Pulcini

Application

Date

12/12/2022

**Expiration Date** 

12/12/2121

Status

Board	Vacancies	Status
Board of Ethics (Code of Ethics)	1	Pending



Basic Information

Name

Andrew Pulcini

Contact Information

Address

162 Crater Lane Berlin, CT 06037

Resident

Yes

Phone

(860)416-1906

**Email** 

apulc1@unh.newhaven.edu

Occupation

Employer

Newington Public Schools

Job Title

Substitute Teacher

Other Questions

Question #1

Number of years in Berlin

I have been a resident of Berlin for 18 years.

Question #2

**Educational Background (optional)** 

Associates Degree in Arts from CCBC Essex Bachelors Degree in Psychology from University of New Haven

Question #3

Current and Past Civic/Community

Involvement

Member of Commissions for Person(s) with Disabilities Volunteer member of the Lion's Club

Question #4

Tell us why you feel qualified for this

appointment

As a future attorney I feel I display qualities like fairness and equality, both of which would help serve to the purpose of this commission. I also feel that as a relatively younger individual I can speak with a different lens than others and provide insight to better serve the town and help maintain the high ethical standards we must hold ourselves to.

### Ouestion #5

Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if you were appointed? No.

Question #6

Are you a Registered Voter? (To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)

I am a registered voter.

Political Party

What is your political party affiliation? Unaffliated

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## ANDREW J. PULCINI

www.linkedin.com/in/andrewpulcini

(860)416-1906

apulc1@unh.newhaven.edu

My goal is to become a lawyer specializing in child and family law representing children and families who come from low-socioeconomic backgrounds or are a part of underrepresented populations. Through internship, employment, and volunteer experiences I have gained valuable insight into the struggles of children coming from inopportune backgrounds and look to use that experience in my future career path.

### **EDUCATION**

## UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAVEN, WEST HAVEN, CT

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Concentration in Forensics (3.34 GPA)

AUGUST 2020- DECEMBER 2022

Relevant Coursework: Law, Psychology & Mental Health Systems, Legal Psychology, Communication & Law, Criminology

Awards/Scholarships: Dean's List Honoree Fall 2020 & Fall 2021, NE-10 Academic Honor Roll 2020 & 2021, Presidential Scholarship Recipient

## COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE COUNTY AT ESSEX, ROSEDALE, MD

ASSOCIATES DEGREE IN ARTS

DECEMBER 2019- JUNE 2020

Relevant Coursework: Introduction to Criminal Justice, Introduction to Sociology

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

## RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Yale University School of Medicine & Yale New Haven Hospital/October 2022- Present

- Conduct observations on adult participants who entered the Yale Emergency Department with disclosures of intimate partner violence
- Analyze language communicated by participants utilizing a qualitative coding methodology and report findings
- · Work under the guidance of supervisor and Associate Professor of Medicine at Yale University

### INTERNHIP

Yale New Haven Hospital Family Advocacy Center/August 2022- Present

- Work with supervisor and Director of Family Advocacy Center in research to create a forensic interview model to be published
- · Aid in preparation for re-accreditation of Yales' Child Advocacy Center
- Attend meetings with local and federal law enforcement agencies along with state prosecutors to discuss and assess specific cases involving abuse

### SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Newington Public Schools/ December 2020- Present

- Implement teaching plans for whole class instruction
- Work 1 to 1 with students who have an IEP or 504 Plan
- Understand the disability a student has, and use their strengths to help them complete task

### ASSISTANT TEACHER

Educational Playcare Center of Farmington/May 2022-July 2022

- Create and implement lesson plans for children between the ages of 4 and 12
- · Work directly with director of the center in creation of a summer camp model and curriculum
- Understand different developmental stages to ensure seamless transition from daycare to kindergarten (if applicable)

## CO-CIRRICULAR ACTIVITIES

## COLLEGIATE ATHLETE (BASEBALL)

The University of New Haven, CCBC Essex, American International College & Curry College

Participate in daily practices and lift sessions

· Attend weekly study hall and team meetings related to individual position and full team

• 35 to 40 hours per week

## MEMBER

The University of New Haven Legal Society

Attend biweekly meetings

· Participate in discussions with keynote speakers currently working in various fields of the law

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

## VOLUNTEER

Berlin Lion's Club/ April 2022- Present

• Maintain park and public areas (i.e. painting benches, grass upkeep, etc.)

· Participate in weekly events to improve the town of Berlin along with residents in need

• Aid in the running of the Lion's Club of Berlin social media accounts

## COMMISSIONER

Town of Berlin Commission for Persons with Disabilities/May 2022-Present

- Foster an understanding, respect, and involvement of persons with disabilities within the town of Berlin
- Develop plans to allocate funds provided by both state and federal government to improve quality of life for individuals with disabilities
- Provide information to Town Council and Board of Education on to how work with such individuals to improve overall cohesion of the town

## Mr Scott Patrick Hamel

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Name

Mr Scott Patrick Hamel

**Application Date** 

1/2/2023

**Expiration Date** 

1/2/2122

Status

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Commission for Person W/Disabilitie	زرمد: 5
VBoard of Ethics	
Planning & Zevin	5

Board (Rank)	Vacancies	Status
Commission for Persons with Disabilities (1)	1	Pending
Board of Ethics (Code of Ethics) (2)	1	Pending
Planning and Zoning Commission (3)	1	Pending

**Basic Information** 

Name

Mr Scott Patrick Hamel

Contact Information

Address

73 westview terr

Berlin, CT 06037

Resident

Yes

Phone

8605502457

**Email** 

scottsflowersinc@yahoo.com

Occupation

**Employer** 

Scott's flowers

Job Title

Owner

Other Questions

Question #1

Number of years in Berlin

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Question #3

**Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement** 

Zoning berlin

Question #4

Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment

Was on zoning commission in new britain for several years

Question #5

Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if you were appointed?

No

Question #6

Are you a Registered Voter? (To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)

Yes

Political Party

What is your political party affiliation?

Republican

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. CEMETARY CAMISSION	2
Name: Stephen PASTUSZAK	Telephone No.: 860 7/2 8607
Home Address: 754 WORTH (WGOW Ridge (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	
Email Address: STEPhen PASTUS ZAICO ATT, NE	28
Are you a Registered Voter? (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: UNA FEILIATED
Educational Background (optional)	
Present Employment (company/position)  240 Stamm Ro New 1550  Business Address  Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Cement	S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S
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Signature: Man Man	Date:

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1. Common Persons w/ Disabilitie	\$
Name: PAUL R. OATES	Telephone No.: 860 829-2183
Home Address: 51 HUDSON STREET (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 26
Email Address: Q. O at es @ att. net	
Are you a Registered Voter?  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: DEMOCRAT
MS-Communi Catims/ FairField University Educational Background (optional)	sty/BS-Socred Heart U.
Present Employment (company/position)	MENT OF LABOR
Business Address	hastidd, CT
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Shelta	2 Jayres - President/
BOARD Member- Family from ise	of Gotal Connectrut
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: Have 1550 B at DOL, My Dother in - la	been involved whelates
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	
Signature: Poul Q. Octor	Date: 12/23/24

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	Board of Ethics
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1. Commission For the Aging 2.
Name: Ann Gamelin Telephone No.: 860 828-6700
Home Address: 31 Colomical Drugt 21 Number of years in Berlin: 76 (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)
Email Address: gamelinann@qmail.com
Are you a Registered Voter? Ves Party Affiliation: Demo Wat V
High School Educational Background (optional)
Refired 2
Present Employment (company/position)
Business Address
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Palice Dispatch Rr 20 years
5+ Paul Church Liadies Guild AARP President
Berlin Food Bank
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: I am interested in being
an advocate for Senior Issues
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if you were appointed?
Signature: Oper C. Hamelin Date: Dec 7,2022

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	Please list your Board/Commission preference below:		
	1. Conservation	2.	
	Name: Karl Lewis	Telephone No.: \$60-\$78-9300	
	Home Address: 56 Martland Terrace (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 42	
	Email Address: King Whistle 1967 Og uns:/. C  Are you a Registered Voter?  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation:	
<b>~</b> -	BA CCSU (English) 1980/MPA UConn Educational Background (optional)	1996	
(1)	Present Employment (company/position)	enct) Town of Berlin - Cler	k (P.T.
O Shules St. New Britain 27 Town From Lane Berlin Business Address  Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Conservable			
South Kensingh FD (firefighter) 2020 - now / WWUM Radio Volum			
	Announcer + Folk Music Director 2010	i - nav	
•	Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	ive been with the CC for	
	approximately 17 years. I know our ope	un space well and have worked w	th
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if you were appointed?		shft	
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	Signature:	Date: 11 19 2022	

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. Conservation Commission	2
Name: Robert Ramsey	Telephone No.: (860) 519-6690
Home Address: 9/ Teffrey Ln (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 129 years
Email Address: 10 hert w ramsey 91 @ 3 mail.	com
Are you a Registered Voter? (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Republican
BA, MS+60 Educational Background (optional)	
Educational Background (optional)	
Consolidated School District o Present Employment (company/position)	F New Britain
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Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	
- Conservation Commission	n (29 yrs) = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	
- past experience	
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	e if you were appointed?
Signature John Wansy	Date:

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:

1. Ezonomic Development dommission	2.		
Name: Edward Egazarian	Telephone No.: 860-402-3093		
Home Address: 1183 WorthingTon Riege (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:47		
Email Address: zdegazarian @ g mail: com			
Are you a Registered Voter?	Party Affiliation: Democrate		
High school	38 38		
Educational Background (optional)	35 6 8 5 6 7		
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Present Employment (company/position)	EIVEO F SERLIN,		
Business Address	REGIE		
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: _ だ か さ	27 years 1 Term Town council		
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Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: I Know Benlin, what can go			
where, what areas that are wet, and what we want Denloped			
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could are	ise if you were appointed?		
Signature: Elul Eguzano	Date:		

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Golf Commission



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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:			
1. Golf Commission 2.	•		
Name: Nancy Berger T	elephone No.: 860-597-5547		
Home Address: 144 Han Roman N (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 48		
Email Address: nb 5500 com cast net			
Are you a Registered Voter? VES  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Republican		
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Educational Background (optional)	at a significant		
retired teacher	KEU FOR IN THE PROPERTY OF THE		
Present Employment (company/position)			
Business Address	<u> </u>		
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	on a Manhoval the Golf		
Commission since I Brown Ima	current member of the		
Tinyherlin Lady Niners and served as its president for 3 years.			
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	THE OF THE OFF		
Commission; my commitment to	the sucress of limberlin Got		
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if	f you were appointed?		
Signature: Manoy L Berger 1	Date: 12/1/22		

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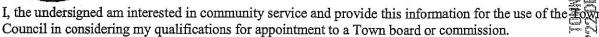
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Holf Commission

## TOWN OF BERLIN

Application for Appointment to Boards and Commissions



riease hist your board/Commission preference below:			
1. Golf Compissis &	2		
Name: JAMSS NORTON	Telephone No.: 860 306-1216		
Home Address: 36 5 TEEPleview De Beelw (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 36		
Email Address: JNORTS 36 @ GMA: 1. Com			
Are you a Registered Voter? YSS (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Kepushe, and		
BBA - ACCOUNTING CPA	2		
Educational Background (optional)			
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Present Employment (company/position)			
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Business Address	707 X		
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	En (5 CDA . SECURIO SUBGROUGE		
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Vola Pra Coschi Sus Grang  JAGE OF GOLF Commosin MEASER; IS YEAR Coschins G. LL			
BASEBOIL	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	VE BSEN INVOLVED IN GOLFSING		
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Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	e if you were appointed? No		
Signature:	Date: /2/3/22		

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L galf commission	•		
Name James A Green	Telephone No.: 860-919-4506		
Home Address: 20 Bown an Lane (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 15 years		
Email Address: ) mmygrcen 690 Ggma. Lom			
Are you a Registered Voter? Yes (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Democrofic		
Twent To middle Loven High School Educational Background (optional)			
Retired From Statof Connecticut Present Employment (company position)			
Business Address Current and Pest Civic Community Involvement: <u>Golf C</u>	ommission For Zyears		
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: I been Play Tinberlin For 15 Years  I been on the golf Commission For 2 years  Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if you were appointed?			
Signature: Games A. Lary	Date: 19/5/2Z		

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	TOWN OF BERLIN '22 PUG 15 PM1:0		
Berlin Public Golf Course Commission	2		
Name: William Richards	Telephone No.: 860-628-1195		
Home Address: 811 Orchard Rd (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 29		
Email Address: william.richards@comcast.net			
Are you a Registered Voter? Yes (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Republican		
B.S. Computer Science - Worcester Polytech, M.S. Information Mai	nagement Rensselaer Polytech		
Educational Background (optional)	259 S		
Retired	S: CEE		
Present Employment (company/position)	S PR		
Business Address	<u> </u>		
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Current Vice President Sr. Men's Golf League - Hoberling Community Involvement:			
contributor of material to the Berlin Community Garden, Member of St. Paul's Church Technology Advisory Committee,			
Past President and Vice President of Southington Jaycees			
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:  1. As VP of Timberlin Sr. Men's Gdf League I have a deep desire to contribute to the			
improvement and promotion of Timberlin. 2. A continuing commitment	to Berlin community service. 3. Strong business skills		
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise			
Signature: William Richards	Date: 8/15/2022		

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1. TIMBERLIN GOLF COMMISSION	2
Name: RICHARD SLISE	Telephone No.: 203-841-8327
Home Address: 67 SEA CREEN ON BERLING (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:
Email Address: SLIS 2 = RICH @ COMCAST, ~	IET
Are you a Registered Voter?	Party Affiliation: DEMOCARTIC
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Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	
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Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:PRES	LO M CH Z
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Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	
Signature: Michael Mig	Date: 8/17/2022
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## Contact Information

Address

76 Hemlock Ridge

Berlin, CT 06037

Resident

Yes

Phone

860-878-8586

**Email** 

diakun.john@yahoo.com

Occupation

**Employer** 

City of New Britain

Job Title

City Attorney

Other Questions

Question #1

Number of years in Berlin

August 2022 to present

Question #2

## **Educational Background (optional)**

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## Question #4

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## Question #6

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Political Party

What is your political party affiliation?

Republican

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:

1. Historic District Comm.	2
Name: Donald Forcash	Telephone No.: 660 -338 - 6476
Home Address: 492 Worthington Ridge (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:
Email Address: donald Forcash @ gm	nail-com
(2. 10 apply, you must be a negistered voter in Bertin)	Party Affiliation: Intercentent
B.S. Mechanical Engra, M.S. Educational Background (optional)	Business Management
Present Employment (company/position)	
- publications	DWN CT.
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	
Asst. Scoutmaster - BSA Trop	1028 Hebren, CT 1992-2015
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: My ea	ucation and mudesire
for structure preservation ar	e a good fit.
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could aris	e if you were appointed?
Signature: Jonald R. Foreash	Date: 11/25/22

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# Inland Wetlands



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1. Inland Wetlands	2		
Name: Frederick White	Telephone No.: 860 828 5820		
Home Address: 90 Sherry Lu (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:		
Email Address: rickwhiteples courcas	st, net		
Are you a Registered Voter?	Party Affiliation:		
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Educational Background (optional)			
Retireal			
Present Employment (company/position)			
Business Address	22 ECE		
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Corrently an Iww.			
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	e served on IWWCC		
more than 4 yrs			
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could ari	se if you were appointed?		
Signature: The Whit	Date: 12/13/22		

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:

1. Planning & Zoning	2. Inland Wetlands		
Name: John M. Russo, Jr.	Telephone No.: 203-907-8346		
Home Address: 17 Edgewater Circle, Berlin, CT 06037 (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 2		
Email Address: jayrusso32@gmail.com			
Are you a Registered Voter? Yes (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Unaffiliated		
JD, Quinnipiac University School of Law; BA, Clemson University			
Educational Background (optional)			
State of Connecticut, Office of the Attorney General, Assistant Attorney Ger	neral .		
Present Employment (company/position)	2		
165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106			
Business Address			
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Alternate, Berlin Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission (2022-Present)			
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: I have legs	al experience in land use and environmental permitting matters		
and currently serve on Inland Wetlands.			
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could ar	ise if you were appointed? Potentially would recuse myself		
for matters involving certain state agencies such as the Connecticut Depart	ment of Transportation.		
Signature:	Date: 12/20/22		
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Email

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Political Party

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Parks + Recreation Commission



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riease list your board/Commission preference below:	
1. Parks & Rec	2. Thum se ded to
Name: Tony Butamus	Telephone No.: (860) 278225 31 AHS: 25
Home Address: <u>G21 Edgewood</u> Road (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 50 years
Email Address: butinus & concustonet	
Are you a Registered Voter?  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Lepublicus
Berton H.S. Dinlong, Bachelors of Fine Educational Background (optional)	me Newset, CCSO.
AB Pronerty Management, UL Present Employment (company/position)	
D.O. Box 7373, Kensinton, Ct of Business Address	36037
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	Berlin 45. Athletic Boosler, Asso.
Member, Berlin Lians Clob C	when Hemps barks
& Rec Comunication.	
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: I ho	e alredy server a 2-year
term and I am family with	1 the Arejor Piscel.
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	if you were appointed?
Signature:	Date: November 18, 2022
<ol> <li>We encourage you to attend meetings of any board or commit information about the specific duties and responsibilities invo</li> </ol>	ssion you are interested in joining and request
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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	8× 4 2
1. Planning + 2 oning	2
Name: June Daly	Telephone No.:
Home Address! 67 Home crest b.  (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:
Email Address: junedaly 1000 gmail. co	<b>M</b> 282 282 - X
Are you a Registered Voter?  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Republican
Mar Associates degree Educational Background (optional)	A A A
Present Employment (company/position)  Starting	11/29/22, retired StateFarm
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	El Revision Commission 2022,
Vice-Chair Republican Toron Co	mmittee (Berlin)
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	munity minded,
actively Supports Berlin con	nounity Served on BZC 2022
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	e if you were appointed?
Signature: June Q. Doly	Date: 11/21/2022

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. Planning & Zoning Commission	2
Name: Brian G. Rogen	Telephone No.: 860.690.9799
Home Address: 2104 Chamberlain Hwy / (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:
Email Address:   Are you a Registered Voter?  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Democrat
Educational Background (optional)	
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Present Employment (company/position)	
775 Hah Rd Berlyn, C	J 0603 }
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Indeed	s-6 Wetlands Currently on
Planning - Zoning, Boy Scorts (E	
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: Beev	serving on the commission
for over 5 years. In which - learned the Drecedents that impact Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could ari	
Signature.	Date: 12/27/22
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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:

1. Planning and Zoning	2		
Name: Nikki Sambitsky	Telephone No.: (860) 307-9549		
Home Address: 947 Chamberlain Hwy, Berlin CT 06037 (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 13		
Email Address: nsambitsku@gmail.com	-		
Are you a Registered Voter? Yes (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Republican		
BA in Journalism CCSU. MFA Creative Writing Stonecoast-Univers	sity of Southern Maine		
Educational Background (optional) Self employed writer	AN SEE		
Present Employment (company/position)	EIVED TO THE TOTAL OF CO.		
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Business Address	RE BE		
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: BRTC-curr	rently, For 2 years I have been working with a local civic/		
volunteer group for election integrity in the state of CT.			
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: I feel qualified for this appointment: I feel qualified for this appointment:	and that this remains a place that families want to live in.		
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could a	arise if you were appointed? None		
Signature: Nikki A. Sambitsky	Date: 11/28/2022		

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## Christi Sullivan

From:

Nikki Sambitsky <nsambitsky@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, November 28, 2022 5:15 PM

To:

Christi Sullivan; Maureen Giusti

Subject:

PZC full member application

Attachments:

PZC APPLICATION.pdf

Hi Christi,

I am currently on the PZC as an alternate, but would like to send in another application should a full member slot become available.

I can be reached via my cell at (860) 307-9549 or via this email. Please let me know that you have received this email with my application,

Best,

## Nikki

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Home Address: 17 Edgewater Circle, Berlin, CT 06037  (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 2		
Email Address: jayrusso32@gmail.com			
Are you a Registered Voter? Yes (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Unaffiliated		
JD, Quinnipiac University School of Law; BA, Clemson University			
Educational Background (optional)			
State of Connecticut, Office of the Attorney General, Assistant Attorney Ge Present Employment (company/position)	neral		
165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106			
Business Address			
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: Alternate, Ber	rlin Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission (2022-Present)		
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment: I have leg and currently serve on Inland Wetlands.	al experience in land use and environmental permitting matters		
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could a	rise if you were appointed? Potentially would recuse myself		
for matters involving certain state agencies such as the Connecticut Depart	tment of Transportation.		
Signature:	Date: 12/20/22		

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#### Mr Scott Patrick Hamel

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Name

Mr Scott Patrick Hamel

**Application Date** 

1/2/2023

**Expiration Date** 

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Status

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	Commission for Persons W/Disabilities
	Board of Ethics
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Board (Rank)	Vacancies	Status
Commission for Persons with Disabilities (1)	1	Pending
Board of Ethics (Code of Ethics) (2)	1	Pending
Planning and Zoning Commission (3)	1	Pending

#### **Basic Information**

Name

Mr Scott Patrick Hamel

#### Contact Information

Address

73 westview terr

Berlin, CT 06037

Resident

Yes

Phone

8605502457

Emai

scottsflowersinc@yahoo.com

Occupation

**Employer** 

Scott's flowers

Job Title

Owner

Other Questions

Question #1

Number of years in Berlin

15

Question #3

Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement

Zoning berlin

Question #4

Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment

Was on zoning commission in new britain for several years

Question #5

Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if you were appointed?

No

Question #6

Are you a Registered Voter? (To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)

Yes

Political Party

What is your political party affiliation?

Republican

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# TOWN OF BERLIN Public Office of The Town Manager Building Commission

November 4, 2022

James Ouelette 26 Mildrum Road Berlin, CT 06037

Dear James:

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Your term on the Public Building Commission expires on January 31, 2023. Please check one of the lines below to let us know if you wish to be considered for an appointment to serve another term and complete the enclosed application form.

Yes, I want to be considered for another term.



No, I do not want to serve another term.

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Sincerely,

Arosha Jayawiekrema

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240 KENSINGTON ROAD . BERLIN, CT 06037

TELEPHONE (860) 828-7002 FAX (860) 828-7068

E-MAIL: ajayawickrema@berlinct.gov

Public Building Commission



Please return application to:

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## TOWN OF BERLIN

Application for Appointment to Boards and Commissions

I, the undersigned am interested in community service and provide this information for the use of the Town Council in considering my qualifications for appointment to a Town board or commission.

Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. Public Building Commission	2
Name: Jason Scarano Scarano	Telephone No.: 203 605-3884
Home Address: 191 5fil/meadow lane (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin:
Email Address: <u>KySarano @SBUGGOTI, net</u>	
Are you a Registered Voter?  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Waffiliated
Educational Background (optional)	38 : 38
Present Employment (company/position)	- Significant of the state of t
	Pana Pana Pana Pana Pana Pana Pana Pana
156 Cross Road Waterford CT Business Address	
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	on Poblic Bolding Considerassion
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:30 yea	ars experience in constrution industry
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could aris	se if you were appointed? <u>only if my</u>
employer was to bid I on a town Borlding pr	roject
Signature:	Date://-27-22

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Please list your Board/Commission and

Please list your Board/Commission preference below.	
1. VETERAUS Commission	2.
Name: PETER GALGAND	Telephone No.: 860 - 604 - 7258
Home Address: 54 Wilcox AVP. (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 27 Years
Email Address: PETErgalganoe Conc	ASTINET
Are you a Registered Voter?	Party Affiliation: Demo CRAI
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Present Employment (company/position)	Ty College (20 years)
Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement: 5 ce	ATTAChed
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	have been working with
VETERANS & Gold STAR FAMILIES S	
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could	arise if you were appointed?
Signature: Peter Lalg and J.	Date: 11/21/2022

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## Peter Galgano Jr. Volunteer Bio

Peter Galgano Jr.'s service in the United States Marine Corps is one of his proudest accomplishments. He is a Vietnam Veteran and served from 1966 to 1970 and was discharged as Sgt E-5.

In 2003, he received the "Secretary of the State's Public Service Award" from Susan Bysiewicz, Secretary of the State of Connecticut, for his dedicated service and contribution to state boards and commissions in Connecticut, as the Co-Chair, Governor's Committee on Physical Fitness.

In 2006, he was the recipient of the Marine Corps League's prestigious "Department of Connecticut Marine of the Year". He received this for his extensive involvement with the Military Funeral Honors Detail, Wake Service, and creating a DVD that was given to 300 Funeral Directors in CT to show to the families what was entitled to them.

In 2007 (- the Present), Peter became Co-President of the Connecticut State Veterans Memorial in Hartford. Connecticut's first statewide Memorial that pays tribute to State heroes and heroines of the past, honors the veterans of today, and demonstrates the appreciation we hold for their service for generations to come.

In 2007, after Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines in Plainville, CT, returned from Fallujah, Iraq, the Marines of Charlie Company named him the "2006 Marine Corps Veteran of the Year". He received this honor for establishing a website for Marines in Iraq to see and communicate with their families in Connecticut. Peter was also the co-organizer for Charlie Company's Homecoming from Iraq and he created a DVD of all the pictures for the 200 Marines returning.

In 2008, Peter was the Public Relations Chairman for bringing the largest traveling Vietnam Wall to Rentschler Field in East Hartford. He was also instrumental in bringing up the Marine Corps Silent Drill Team and the Drum and Bugle Corp.

On 17 November 2010, Peter at Middlesex Community College dedicated its new Veterans' OASIS Center, a place where Veteran Students can congregate, relax, talk, study, and seek assistance from Peter, the Veterans Outreach Coordinator.

In 2011, Peter became a Board Member on the CT Trees of Honor. He helped Design the Living Trees Tribute and Created the Fallen Heroes Video for all the CT fallen service members who gave the ultimate sacrifice while deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan, post 911.

On 03 May 2011, Peter was appointed to be on the Town of Berlin Veterans Commission. On 07 February 2012, Peter was nominated to be the new Secretary of the BVC.

On November 8, 2011, Peter Galgano Jr. received the "William J. Pomfret Veteran Community Service Award". The award was presented by the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce "Honor the Veterans and Support the Troops Committee" in recognition of distinguished service on the part of a veteran of our armed forces to the citizens of Connecticut and selfless devotion to the ideal of commitment to public service.

On November 28, 2012, Peter Galgano Jr. was inducted into the "Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame". The Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame honors veterans both for their direct service to their country and for making significant contributions to their local communities after they have completed their military service.

In 2013, Peter had the idea of creating the America's Wars Walkway at the Berlin Veterans Memorial Park. It took about two years to design the signs and get approval from the Department of Defense for the pictures and statistics used on the fiberglass embedment signs. In 2015, the signs were installed in the Berlin Veterans Memorial Park. We now have school busses from across the state who come to the park with students to learn about the history of America's Wars.

On April 29, 2015, Berlin Veterans Commission member Peter Galgano was named "Berlin's volunteer of the year" at the annual economic development awards at The Baltic Restaurant in Berlin, CT. "Peter has an extensive record of volunteering to recognize and assist veterans of military service," said Town Manager Denise McNair. When Galgano returned from Vietnam, he "hung up" his uniform for years. Later, he started to dedicate much of his time to making things better for other returning vets. "I don't want them to lose the time I did," he said. Galgano "has once again gone above and beyond the call of duty" in the work he put into planning the recently-dedicated Veterans Memorial Park near Stop & Shop and The American Legion, McNair said. Galgano, who also created and designed the America's Wars Walkway signs, "saved the town thousands of dollars in sign design fees" and "added a personal touch to the project that we will all appreciate," she added.

On September 16, 2015, At Middlesex Community College, Peter Galgano had the dedication ceremony for the MxCC Veterans Memorial Garden. Peter and 12 student veterans dug out and built a Veterans Memorial Garden, a space to honor and remember all veterans. The location of the garden is one of high prominence situated along the main entrance walkway leading to Chapman Hall. This is the most visible location on campus to the students, staff, and community visitors. The design includes a memorial patio seating area, another area with an engraved monument, and military steppingstones for each branch of service, and plants that make the area peaceful, attractive, welcoming, and sustainable.

On November 9, 2015, the CT State Veterans Memorial was dedicated. The landmark event was coordinated by the dedicated committee of veterans and volunteers of the Connecticut State Veterans Memorial, Inc., a nonprofit organization established exclusively to raise funds for and build a statewide memorial to honor all Connecticut veterans. Sergeant Peter Galgano Jr. serves as Co-President of the Connecticut State Veterans Memorial Board of Directors. The park is located inside of Minuteman Park at the intersection of Capitol Avenue and Broad Street in Hartford – directly in front of the William A. O'Neill State Armory – the memorial pays

tribute to the more than 1.3 million men and women from Connecticut who served honorably in the U.S. military in defense of our freedom. It recognizes past, present, and future Connecticut veterans and will serve as a site for official observances, activities, and ceremonies that honor veterans.

On November 11, 2015, on Veterans Day, the Berlin Veterans Commission dedicated the new "America's Wars Walkway", a path around the park with 13, 36" x 24" fiberglass embedment signs with the history of America's Wars from the American Revolution through the Afghanistan and Iraq Wars. Peter Galgano Jr. came up with the idea over two years ago, while in Fort Huachuca, AZ. He saw the signs for the Buffalo Soldiers and came up with the idea of the America's Wars Walkway. He thought what a wonderful way to give a history lesson about how we have the freedoms we have today and at the same time, learn about the sacrifices all of our veterans have made for our country. It took about two years to research the history, get the pictures, create the design & concept, get approval from the DOD, and with the Berlin Veterans Commission and the Economic Development Committee, make it a reality.

On March 1, 2016, Peter Galgano Jr. has officially been appointed as the Town of Berlin "Municipal Veterans Representative". He serves as the main coordinator in serving veterans and their families. He will be in charge of assisting veterans as they adjust to life outside the service and help in their transitions. Galgano's role also includes setting up the activities involved with public and private facilities that are in charge of reemployment, education and rehabilitation of veterans. Among many other responsibilities, He will be the primary person that veterans can seek for help.

On March 18, 2016, Peter Galgano was appointed to the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs. The board shall be comprised of eighteen voting members who by education and/or experience shall be qualified in health care, business management, social services, or law and who shall have a demonstrated interest in the concerns of veterans. The board shall advise and assist the commissioner in the operation of the Veterans

Residential Services facility, the Office of Advocacy and Assistance, the administration, expansion or modification of existing programs and services of the department and the development of new programs and services.

In January 2018, Peter Galgano was contacted by the VFW's Women's Auxiliary to update the pictures that were on the wall in the Berlin Town Hall's Rotunda. There were 10 – 15 pictures of Berlin Veterans who were serving in the military but hasn't been updated in two years. Peter said yes but had a better idea and brought it up at the next Berlin Veterans Commission meeting. He proposed to make a video presentation of pictures and information of all Berlin Veterans who are serving or have ever served in the military. So, after months of getting pictures and information from Berlin residents, he created the Video Berlin Veterans Wall of Honor.

In November 2018 (- the present), the Video Wall of Honor was dedicated in the Rotunda in Berlin's Town Hall. We now have 346 veterans on the Berlin Wall of Honor and, a Digital Version on YouTube that Galgano created.

On March 22, 2019, Peter Galgano Jr. was appointed to the Board of Directors for the Friends of VA Connecticut Fisher House Inc. Fisher House provides high quality, temporary lodging, at no charge, to families/caregivers of Veterans and Active-Duty Service Members who are undergoing inpatient or extensive outpatient treatment provided by the VA or Department of Defense (DOD). Fisher House is a "home away from home" and offers a warm, compassionate environment and a sense of comfort while a loved one is undergoing medical treatment.

In November 2021, Peter was appointed to the Woody Williams Foundation CT Gold Star Families Memorial Monument Committee and in January 2022, he was able to get Gold Star Mother Helen Keiser-Pedersen and Veterans Commission Chairman Charles Colaresi appointed to the WWF CT Gold Star Families Monument Committee.

This Monument was **dedicated on April 23, 2022,** in the **Berlin Veterans Memorial Park**. Gold Star Family members and relatives are those who have sacrificed a Loved One for our Freedom.

Peter is presently active with the following: The Marine Corps League #781, in New Britain, and the MCL Dept of Connecticut, the VFW Post 10732 and the American Legion Post 68 in Berlin, CT, the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 120 (Board of Directors), in East Hartford and the VVA State Council-Vice President, the town of Berlin Veterans Commission, the town of Berlin Municipal Veterans Representative, Co- President of the CT State Veterans Memorial Inc., member of the Special Veterans Advisory Committee for Senator Richard Blumenthal, the Veterans' Outreach Coordinator at Middlesex Community College, the Staff Advisor for the Middlesex Community College Veterans Club, an Outreach Coordinator for the OEF/OIF Military Support Committee, at Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose Armed Forces Reserve Center in Middletown, and the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs Board of Trustees.

Video and PDF Presentations Created by Peter Galgano on the Town of Berlin Veterans Commission Website, Click on the Links Below:

Wall of Honor - Photo Display honoring our Veterans

**Berlin Veterans Memorial Park History** 

America's Wars Walkway

Connecticut Gold Star Families Memorial Monument

<u>How Gold Star Families can add their loved one to the video</u>

Press Release for the DEDICATION of the CONNECTICUT GOLD STAR FAMILIES MEMORIAL MONUMENT

Gold Star Families Memorial Monument Construction from Beginning to Completion Video

5-22-21 Memorial Monument Groundbreaking Video

Video of a Special Tribute to Hershel Woody Williams, that the 102nd Army Band played at our "Tribute to Veterans and Gold Star Families Concert" on July 26, 2022, at the Berlin Veterans Memorial Park. We had over 400 people attending the concert. Special Tribute Video

## Veterous Commission



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TOWN OF BERLIN
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I, the undersigned am interested in community service and provide this information for the use of the Town Council in considering my qualifications for appointment to a Town board on commissions Council in considering my qualifications for appointment to a Town board or commission.

Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. Veterans Commaion	2
Name: BRUCE A TREVETHAN	Telephone No.: 860-828-5934
Home Address: 26 GROVE ST.  (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 78
Email Address:	
Are you a Registered Voter? VES (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Denocrat
Educational Background (optional)	
Present Employment (company/position)	
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Business Address	FECE SERVE
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:	
Dopt. 20 years on oconomic G	ommision Town of Bodin
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	a Vateran of the air
Fores served 4 yrs	
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	e if you were appointed?
Signature: Bruce A. Tweeto	Date:

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# TOWN OF BERLIN Office of The Town Manager

November 4, 2022

Peter Zarabozo 158 Ellwood Road Berlin, CT 06037

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Dear Peter:

Your term on the Berlin VNA expires on January 31, 2023. Please check one of the lines below to let us know if you wish to be considered for an appointment to serve another term and complete the enclosed application form.

	Yes, I want to be considered for another term.
-	No, I do not want to serve another term.

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Sincerely,

Arosha Jayawickrema

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240 KENSINGTON ROAD • BERLIN, CT 06037 TELEPHONE (860) 828-7002 FAX (860) 828-7068 E-MAIL: ajayawickrema@berlinct.gov



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TOWN OF BERLIN

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Please list your Board/Commission preference below:	
1. WOTER FORTER COMM	2
Name: Jum 9 Mitchell	Telephone No.: _\$65 818 5540
Home Address: 1705 Kansilugian Rh. (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 35 years
Email Address: LIMM DED THED GMAIN. COM	
Are you a Registered Voter?  (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation: Party Affiliation:
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Educational Background (optional)	
Present Employment (company/position)  44 WASHNATON AVE BELLIN  Business Address	
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:  MATHABASSETT DISTRICT COMM	
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:	1 3 year lyear on commissioner
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	e if you were appointed?
Signature: Jacon J. Walshell	Date: 11/19/22

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Youth Services

TOWN OF BERLIN

Application for Appointment to Boards and Commissions

I, the undersigned am interested in community service and provide this information for the use of the Lown Council in considering my qualifications for appointment to a Town board or commission.

Please list your Board/Commission preference below:

Youth Services Advisory Board	2			
Name: Brett Kelly				
Home Address: 240 Kensington Road (Note: To apply, you must be a resident of Berlin)	Number of years in Berlin: 6			
Email Address: bkelly@berlinpd.org				
Are you a Registered Voter? Yes (Note: To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)	Party Affiliation:			
Masters Degree Criminal Justice				
Educational Background (optional)				
Berlin Police Department Juvenile Detective				
Present Employment (company/position)				
240 Kensington Road, Berlin, CT 06037				1+1
Business Address				
Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement:		OR RECOR	PH 2: 2	Logo
			W)	E.
Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment:			ZOZZ DEC	+ Jan
Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise	e if you were appointed? No			_
Signature: B Kelly	Date: 12/14/2022			_

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## BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Detective Lieutenant Michael Jobes Investigations Division Email: <u>mjobes@berlinpd.org</u> Phone: (860) 828-7088

To:

Kate Wall, Berlin Town Clerk

From:

Lieutenant Michael Jobes

Subject:

Youth Advisory Board/Youth Officer Brett Kelly

Date:

December 16,2022

I am requesting that you consider the appointment of Youth Officer Brett Kelly to the Youth Services Advisory Board. Youth Officer Brett Kelly had previously been assigned to the Investigations Division as an A/Detective. Youth Officer Brett Kelly is currently the Dare Coordinator, member of the PEER Support Team and Mid State Accident Reconstruction Squad and was the 2021 Berlin Police Department Employee of the Year.

Thank You for your consideration of Youth Officer Brett Kelly.

Lt. Michael Jobes

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#### Christine S Mazzotta

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Name

Christine S Mazzotta

**Application Date** 

12/29/2022

**Expiration Date** 

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Status

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Board	Vacancies	Status
Zoning Board of Appeals	1	Pending

#### **Basic Information**

Name

Christine S Mazzotta

Contact Information

Address

405 Alling St

Berlin, CT 06037

Resident

Yes

Phone

860-716-7947

**Email** 

christine@ctpms.com

Occupation

Employer

Self

Job Title

**Property Management** 

Other Questions

Question #1

Number of years in Berlin

2002 - current

Question #2

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#### **Educational Background (optional)**

BS (Business Administration) MEd (Rehabilitation)

Question #3

## **Current and Past Civic/Community Involvement**

BRTC ZBA JP Leadership | Volunteer with Kids (Little Keague, Girl Scouts etc...)

Question #4

## Tell us why you feel qualified for this appointment

I will serve in any capacity that is beneficial to ZBA. Thank you for your consideration.

Question #5

Can you think of any reason that a conflict of interest could arise if you were appointed?

Nope. If a can nflict arroses, I shall abstain.

Question #6

Are you a Registered Voter? (To apply, you must be a Registered Voter in Berlin)

Yes

Political Party

What is your political party affiliation?

Republican

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Passcode: 973222

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TOWN OF BERLIN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, January 3, 2023
Town Council Chambers
Remote Meeting
7:00 P.M.

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kaczynski called the Town Council meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

#### B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### C. ROLL CALL

Those in attendance were: Councilor Jack Fazzino

Councilor Casey Foster Mayor Mark Kaczynski Councilor Charles Paonessa Councilor Peter Rosso Councilor Donna Veach

Absent: Councilor Sandra Coppola

Also in attendance: Town Manager Arosha Jayawickrema

Corporation Counsel Jeffrey Donofrio

Mayor Kaczynski stated that Councilor Coppola's father passed away last week and expressed condolences to her and her family

### D. AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

Cornel Boudria, 115 Skinner Road – Mr. Boudria stated he has some concerns with the subject of tonight's Public Hearing stating that generally having a \$25,000 bid threshold makes the Town more competitive and agile, however he questioned why this item was part of the Charter question and why hasn't the threshold been raised before. He added that this item did not pass as part of the Charter question on November's ballot, and it may not be the best look for the Town Council to override that.

Mayor Kaczynski stated that the \$25,000 threshold is per State Statute which technically would override the Town Charter, but the Council wanted to ask the voters and get their opinion. Looking back this item probably did not need to be part of the Charter Revision question.

#### E. MAYOR'S UPDATE

Mayor Kaczynski stated that he has received some complaints about unleashed dogs outside of the fenced in area at Pistol Creek. He asked Town Manager Jayawickrema if the area is being patrolled and if rules are being enforced.

Town Manager Jayawickrema stated that Pistol Creek and Bicentennial Park are being patrolled and there have only been a couple occasions when they have had to remind dog park patrons of the rules. He asked any residents to that witness people not following the rules to call Animal Control with details of the date and time. He added that a log is kept of when the parks are patrolled and stated that the areas are walked and not just driven by.

The Town Manager added that for the first six months patrons are given a verbal warning, provided with the ordinance, and the rules are explained to them. He is also hoping to be able to add another part time person to Animal Control to allow for more coverage at the parks. There is also the possibility of adding police patrols as time and staffing allows.

The Mayor and Town Manager also discussed Animal Control being under the supervision of the Town Manager and not the Police Department, and the safety issues associated with that.

## F. MEETING AGENDA - Immediately Following the Mayor's Update

## G. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Topic re: Approve the request of the Berlin Helping Berlin Foundation to waive the cost of one police officer, estimated at approximately \$335, associated with having a Powder Puff Flag Football Game Fundraiser at Sage Park on Tuesday, November 22, 2022. Town Manager
- 2. Topic re: Accept monetary donations totaling \$1,726.76 and deposit \$1,150.00 into the library agency account to purchase a subscription to the Value Line database and books and materials and deposit \$576.76 into the friends of the library miscellaneous account to purchase 2 museum pass renewals and coffee supplies and accept the donation of books with an approximate value of \$94.99 to be added to the appropriate department collection. Berlin-Peck Memorial Library

Councilor Paonessa moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Seconded by Councilor Veach.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

#### H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Town Council of the Town of Berlin will meet at Berlin Town Hall, Council Chambers, 240 Kensington Road, Berlin, CT on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the following proposed ordinance:

Berlin Code Book

Chapter 16

**Taxation and Finance** 

To increase the bid threshold for the purchase of goods and services to \$25,000 in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §7-148v.

Mayor Kaczynski called the Public Hearing on proposed amendments to an ordinance of the Town of Berlin to order at 7:20 p.m. and read the legal notice into the record:

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Mayor Kaczynski asked if there were any public comments. No public comments were made.

Councilor Paonessa stated that this increase is long overdue as numerous departments need to come to Town Council for bid waivers due to the current \$10,000 threshold. Regarding the concerns made during Audience of Citizens, and explained that making the increase part of the Charter Revision process would have made it more difficult for a future Council to change the threshold back as could be done by this process.

Councilor Fazzino stated that as the request to increase the bid threshold through Charter Revision was part of an omnibus question and the fact that it was not asked and answered on its own makes this a unique situation. He asked Corporation Counsel Donofrio to discuss the State Statute that allows the Town to increase the threshold in this manner tonight.

Corporation Counsel Donofrio stated that over 30 years ago the State Legislature, under the Municipal Powers Act in 7-148v, provided that not withstanding any Charter provision or Special Act to the contrary any municipality may, by ordinance, establish a bid limit if that limit does not exceed the amount established in that Statute. In 2013 that limit was increased to the current limit of \$25,000.

Mayor Kaczynski added that this increase will allow the Town to be more efficient. He then closed the Public Hearing at 7:25 p.m.

#### I. REPORTS

Town Manager Jayawickrema stated that at the last Town Council meeting the VNA presented a report providing updates on their Commission. Tonight, Planning and Zoning and Economic Development will present their reports to the Town Council.

<u>Planning and Zoning Commission</u> – Town Planner Maureen Giusti is happy to report that her office is now fully staffed. Assistant Planner Dylan Willette began working for the Town in August of 2022 and is learning all aspects of the department. With his Zoning Enforcement Officer (ZEO) background Dylan was able to assist with zoning efforts and building permit review until the vacant ZEO position was filled.

In November of 2022 Pauley Morbidelli was hired as the new ZEO. Pauley has a housing enforcement background, and he is currently focusing on zoning enforcement and blight. Once he is caught up with zoning enforcement issues, he will take over more building permit reviews and Dylan will be able to work more closely with the Town Planner with the ultimate goal of splitting up the Board and Commission liaison tasks amongst all three staff members.

The Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) has been busy with applications including some complex and controversial proposals, adding that residents can feel free to contact her office with questions about applications.

Recent and upcoming PZC items include the Planned Residential Infill Development provisions of the Zoning Regulations which provides for redevelopment of non-conforming motel sites along the Berlin Turnpike. The current provisions were adopted in 2021 after public hearings and have been referenced in the Affordable Housing Plan adopted in 2022 and planned to be referenced in the Plan of Conservation and Development that is due this year as added ways the Town of Berlin can achieve housing option goals.

Ms. Giusti stated that an application was received for redevelopment of one hotel site just north of Meadow Lane, but that application was denied by the PZC, and that denial has been appealed to the courts. In relation to that the PZC has an application from neighboring property owners of that site to delete the redevelopment text for motels and there is also a text amendment proposed by Ms. Giusti at the direction of the PZC which will amend the regulation. Both those public hearings will be opened on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Regarding the hydroponic farming facility proposed for just north of Apple Lane on the Chamberlain Highway in the POD industrial district. The text that was approved in 2021 allows for large scale greenhouses to be built. The proposal is a site plan application but due to the public interest the PZC and applicant agreed to hold a public hearing which is allowed in the zoning regulations.

There will also be a public hearing for 550-554 Berlin Turnpike LLC within the Berlin Turnpike Development Overlay Zone for a mixed-use development utilizing three properties including the existing commercial site where ABC Supply is located. The project would include three apartment buildings to the rear with mixed-use development along the Turnpike. Third-party review

consultants were hired and after their reviews and with subsequent modifications the PZC expects that public hearing to close on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

A few upcoming items that may garner public interest include CCARC submitted a proposal to locate a center at the former Lutheran Church on the Chamberlain Highway. They proposed to utilize the existing building for day programs including life skills and assistance with job searches. In February there will be a text amendment and modification to the previously approved TOD Newport project at Steele Boulevard where apartment building modifications are proposed. A text amendment relating to funeral homes with limited services in the GI zones that would allow for body transport by crematory facilities.

A date will be forthcoming for the informational meeting between Town Council and the PZC regarding cannabis. They are looking to have stakeholders that have experience with either facilities or regulations speak on the subject. Ms. Giusti suggested the dates of January 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, or 31<sup>st</sup>. to the Town Council. After Council discussion they agreed that January 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. would work, with an alternate date of Tuesday January 31<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Giusti stated these dates would also need to be run past the PZC to determine a final date for the meeting. There is also the opportunity to tour a facility in Rocky Hill that has received rave reviews from other Town Planners.

Other upcoming items include new turf on the McGee Middle School outdoor classroom area along with easement, open space, and road acceptances pending from approved or substantially built subdivisions.

The PZC formed the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) Committee to work on the POCD plan that is due later this year. They are currently working on drafting the Plan but at the same time working to hold meetings with different commissions in obtain feedback on the outlines developed so far. The final Plan will hopefully be brought to Town Council for review by late Spring or early Summer.

The Historic District Commission continues to work on a Demolition Delay Ordinance as there has been concern over the last few years as buildings with historic value have been removed in Town.

Councilor Rosso thanked Ms. Giusti for the hard work of her and her staff.

<u>Economic Development Commission</u> – Economic Development Director Chris Edge thanked the Town Council for their support particularly with the Promotional/Marketing budget increase and the "It's All in Berlin" campaign is paying off. The Instagram account is just shy of 1,000 followers, and three woman-owned businesses were brought on to assist with marketing and social media. He is hearing positive comments from many residents that Berlin is the place to be.

Between September 2020 and the end of December 2022 there have been 72 ribbon cuttings in town which include 42 woman-owned or operated businesses. There have been a number of home-based businesses opening locations in Berlin, and there will be ribbon cuttings for two home décor businesses which have expanded.

Tasca Ford recently broke ground on a 32,000 square foot Pro Elite Commercial Service facility which is the first one in New England.

9 Steele Boulevard was completed, and Hop Haus Gastropub is set to open in March 2023. Trio Homecare will be expanding into the building, a local attorney will be opening their office in the building, and a seafood restaurant will be moving in in April 2023 in the building behind 9 Steele.

Berlin resident Jeff Leone purchased the building at 63 Fuller Way and will be bringing his business, Air Temp, from Southington along with 100 employees and 100 vehicles. Also located on Fuller Way is a green recycling center which takes food waste and processes it into feed for animals.

Priority Electric is close to completion of a 10,000 square foot building next to Tyler Equipment. Starbucks was recently approved to occupy the building in the CVS plaza at the corner of Farmington Avenue and Porters Pass. Vale Sports Club of Middletown will be occupying a 22,000 square foot indoor basketball facility to be built on Four Rod Road.

Prism Academy is in the process of purchasing the Mooreland Hill School and will provide education for those whose needs are more than their local school system can handle.

Twenty-five milestone awards were given out to companies whose businesses have been in Berlin from 25 years (Jacunski Humes) to 120 years (Berlin Steel). There are about dozen awards scheduled to be distributed this year. The companies have been appreciative of the recognition.

Upcoming activity includes Connecticut Self Store which will be coming before the Planning and Zoning Commission to open a self-storage facility on a vacant parcel just north of Safari Golf on the Berlin Turnpike. A Berlin-based veterinarian is looking to expand and relocated to the Acura complex on the Turnpike. The 88-units on Deming Road are close to completion.

Mr. Edge stated that he has been in discussions with Kristen Yousef about bringing a Farmers and Crafters Market to Veteran's Park in the Spring.

The Town of Berlin will be receiving a \$1.5 million grant from the Department of Economic and Community Development which will allow Newport to develop ten additional units behind the existing Newport Center building on Farmington Avenue, provide for a major upgrade to the Central Connecticut Transition Academy on Main Street, and the development of a trail behind the Kensington Fire Department.

There is a six-acre, heavy-duty industrial property located on Christian Lane that Mr. Edge and Economic Development Coordinator Jim Mahoney will be requesting permission from Town Council to go out for a public RFQ for proposals from companies that would want to construct a building and grow their business there. The parcel has about \$100,000 in back taxes and the Town does not want to take on this property.

The Economic Development Commission is planning to hold another appreciation event as a thank you to those that volunteer their time to all the Boards and Commissions for the Town of Berlin.

Other events being planned include recognizing women-owned businesses, and a golf event for real estate professionals.

Mr. Edge added that there was a recent article in the New Britain Herald with the front-page headline stating that Berlin's businesses are booming. He thanked all those involved in supporting his department behind the scenes. He is looking forward to 2023 and making Farmington Avenue fun and walkable with a variety of restaurant options and continuing to create ways to bring businesses to Berlin.

#### J. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Topic re: Accept the addition of Sub Section 256 to the Town Ordinance Section 16, Taxation and Finance as noted in the attached document (Section 16-256) – Town Manager

Town Manager Jayawickrema stated that this item was the subject of tonight's Public Hearing and refers to increasing the bid threshold from \$10,000 to \$25,000. The new language has been reviewed by Corporation Counsel Donofrio and the primary purpose of this increase is to allow for government to work more efficiently and allow the Town Council to focus on planning for the future rather than dealing with administrative items.

Councilor Paonessa moved to accept the addition of Sub Section 256 to the Town Ordinance Section 16, Taxation and Finance as noted in the attached document (Section 16-256).

Seconded by Councilor Veach.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

2. Topic re: Authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with Attorney Douglas Lamonte from Berchem Moses, to prepare pension plan documents for the police pension plan, not to exceed \$20,000. — Human Resources

Town Manager Jayawickrema introduced this item stating that after discussing the need for this specialized form of law the Town's Labor Counsel recommended two firms, and the Town would like to enter into an agreement with Attorney Douglas Lamonte, a partner in Berchem Moses. He added that this firm has a good reputation for this type of work, and they are experts in this field of law. Town Manager Jayawickrema also discussed this matter with Corporation Counsel Donofrio who agreed with the selection.

Human Resources Director Paula Carabetta stated that the last piece she is waiting on is for the attorney to get the quote from Relias which is pre-approved IRS prototype template which allows him to modify it based on the Town's terms which will make it a quicker process.

Councilor Paonessa authorized the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with Attorney Douglas Lamonte from Berchem Moses, to prepare pension plan documents for the police pension plan, not to exceed \$20,000.

Seconded by Councilor Veach.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

3. Topic re: Authorize Town Manager to enter into a three-year agreement with UniFirst Corporation of Indian Orchard, MA, for the rental and servicing of uniforms, mats and rags, utilizing pricing guaranteed under the current bid received. – Purchasing

Purchasing Agent Maryssa Tsolis stated that the Town's uniform contract is up for renewal, and it was put out to bid. Three responses were received with UniFirst Corporation being the lowest bidder coming in at \$17,910.88.

Councilor Paonessa moved to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a three-year agreement with UniFirst Corporation of Indian Orchard, MA, for the rental and servicing of uniforms, mats and rags, utilizing pricing guaranteed under the current bid received.

Seconded by Councilor Veach.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

4. Topic re: Approve the donation of one Generac 130 KW diesel standby generator with the model number 99A-06077-S and serial number 2051176 to the Berlin Housing Authority for use at number 31 and 33 Colonial Drive. – Facilities

Facilities Director Doug Solek stated that in 2022 there was a request from the Berlin Housing Authority for the Town to assist with the purchase and installation of a standby generator for 31 and 33 Colonial Drive which serves elderly housing and the Senior Center. It was determined that a used generator in possession of the Town, which previously served Berlin High School, could be used at the Berlin Housing Authority building on Colonial Drive.

The Housing Authority has agreed to accept the donation of the generator with documentation of working condition. The funding, responsibility, ownership, and implementations of the next phases needs to be discussed, reviewed and approved between both parties. This formal approval of the generator donation from the Town of Berlin to the Berlin Housing Authority will initiate the next steps and continue to move the project forward.

Councilor Paonessa moved to approve the donation of one Generac 130 KW diesel standby generator with the model number 99A-06077-S and serial number 2051176 to the Berlin Housing Authority for use at number 31 and 33 Colonial Drive.

Seconded by Councilor Veach.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

# 5. Topic re: Discussion about Applications for Recreational Trails Grants for Pistol Creek/Lamentation Mountain and Hungerford Park – Economic Development

Economic Development Coordinator Jim Mahoney stated that the Town of Berlin previously received a Recreational Trails grant for the repaving of cart paths at Pistol Creek and there is another opportunity for the Town to pursue that grant program. The grant program does require a 20% match and the Town may be able to use the recent acquisition of additional Pistol Creek property for part or all of their match.

The City of Middletown has also recently purchased the remaining Pistol Creek property located in Middletown so now the entire former golf course is owned by both municipalities. Middletown also owns other open space in the vicinity and the Berlin Land Trust recently purchased property on Lamentation Mountain. Mr. Mahoney stated that there are opportunities for improvements to Pistol Creek trails and cart paths on the north side of Spruce Brook Road in Berlin and also in Middletown and for connections between Pistol Creek, where there is parking, and Lamentation Mountain trails.

One topic of conversation that has come up is what is the intended use of the newly acquired portion of the Pistol Creek property and Mr. Mahoney asked the Council to inform him of any other uses they may have planned for.

The second potential grant application is for trail improvements at Hungerford Nature Center on Farmington Avenue which is owned by the City of New Britain. The property contains several interesting trails and Mr. Mahoney has spoken with the Hungerford's Director as well as Councilor Veach who is the Development and Marketing Director for Hungerford and they would be interested in a project to improve those trails.

Mayor Kaczynski stated that the project sounds great and any time the Town can get a grant like these and improve open space is wonderful.

Councilor Veach stated that she appreciates Mr. Mahoney's efforts and added that the trails at Hungerford Center are open to the public and they do a lot of special educational programming working with both the Town of Berlin and City of New Britain. She also is in support of the proposed project at Pistol Creek.

Mr. Mahoney stated that his office has reached out to New Britain's Mayor Erin Stewart, and she is also supportive of the Hungerford project. In Middletown his office has been working with Director of Land Use, Marek Kozikowski and they are doing a lot with open space, so they are a good partner for this project.

Councilor Fazzino stated that the open space in the Pistol Creek area is a big draw and to the extent that we can facilitate its use is a good thing.

Town Manager Jayawickrema stated that in discussions with Mr. Mahoney it was determined that it is highly likely that in the near future, with State and Federal programs, the Town will have opportunities to apply for more grants. Most will require a match whether in-kind or a monetary match, therefore in the budget process funds will be put aside to position the Town to be able to take advantage of these government programs.

Mayor Kaczynski stated that further discussions should be held regarding the clubhouse and recent property purchase at Pistol Creek regarding future plans.

Councilor Fazzino inquired if the property was considered as part of the POCD. Mr. Mahoney stated that there has been some discussion, including the trail use on the existing property and whether the property should be deed restricted as open space.

Town Manager Jayawickrema suggested that Council members send any thoughts and ideas regarding Town owed properties so he can compile a list for future discussion.

#### NO ACTION NEEDED

6. Topic re: Waive the Town of Berlin bidding requirements and award the purchase of one (1) Triple Combination fire engine (Engine 7) from Pierce Manufacturing, for an amount not to exceed \$950,000, as this is in the best interest of the town. – Fire Administrator

Fire Administrator Jim Simons stated that this is a replacement for the last American LaFrance purchased in 2002 and will be stationed at the East Berlin Fire Department. With this purchase there will not be another fire engine purchase made until 2028/2029.

The delivery of this truck may not be until a few years from now due to supply and manufacturing issues.

Councilor Paonessa moved to waive the Town of Berlin bidding requirements and award the purchase of one (1) Triple Combination fire engine (Engine 7) from Pierce Manufacturing, for an amount not to exceed \$950,000, as this is in the best interest of the town.

Seconded by Councilor Veach.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

#### K. <u>APPOINTMENTS:</u>

1. Berlin-Peck Memorial Library Board – Elaine Borselle (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

- **2. Berlin-Peck Memorial Library Board** Sharon Powell (U) (does not want to be reappointed) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **3. Berlin-Peck Memorial Library Board** Carol Welz (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **4. Board of Ethics** Antonina DeDominicis (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. (Second Term) Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **5. Board of Ethics** Susan Bordonaro (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. (Second Term) Reappointment or replacement term would be until January31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **6. Board of Ethics Alternate <u>Vacancy</u> -** New term would be until January 31, 2025. Can be filled with a D, R, or U.
- 7. Board of Ethics Alternate Deborah Reed (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2026. Can only be filled with a R or U if the above appointment is filled with an D.
- **8.** Cemetery Committee Stephen Pastuszak (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2029. Can only be filled with a D, R or U.
- **9. Commission for Persons with Disabilities** Barbara Cesanek (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **10.** Commission for Persons with Disabilities Vacancy- Term expires on 1/31/2023. Replacement term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **11. Commission for the Aging** Ann Gamelin (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D or U.
- **12. Conservation Commission** Karl Lewis (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement term would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R, or U.
- **13.** Conservation Commission Robert Ramsey (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can only be filled with a R or U if the above appointment is filled with an D.
- **14.** Conservation Commission Vacancy Alternate Term would be until 1/31/2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

- 15. Constables 3 Vacancies Terms would be until December 2023. Can be filled with D, R, or U with no more than a bare majority to be from one political party (Section 8-6).
- **16. Economic Development Commission** Edward Egazarian (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **17. Golf Commission** James Norton (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **18. Golf Commission** Nancy Berger (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **19. Golf Commission** James Green (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **20. Historic District Commission -**Vacancy Term expires on 1/31/2027. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **21. Historic District Commission** Donald Forcash (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **22. Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission Vacancy** Term would be until January 31, 2024. Can only be filled with a D or U.
- **23. Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission** Frederick White (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can only be filled with a D or U.
- **24.** Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission Alternate Steve Biella, Jr. (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **25. Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Commission** Alternate John Russo, Jr. (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U. (Depend on the above appointment).
- **26.** Parks and Recreation Commission Vacancy Term would be until January 31, 2025. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **27. Parks and Recreation Commission** Anthony Butrimas (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **28.** Plainville Area Cable Television Advisory Council (PACTAC) <u>2 Vacancies</u> New terms would expire on June 30, 2023. Can be filled with a D, R or U. There are only two members from Berlin for this board.

- **29. Planning and Zoning Commission** Vacancy Term would be until January 31, 2027. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **30. Planning and Zoning Commission** June Daly (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **31. Planning and Zoning Commission** Brian Rogan (D) term expires on 1/31/203. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **32.** Public Building Commission James Ouellette (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. (Does not want to be reappointed) Replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a R, D or U.
- **33. Public Building Commission** Jason Scarano (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can only be filled with a D or U if the above appointment is filled by a R.
- **34. Veteran's Commission** Peter Galgano, Jr. (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R, or U.
- **35. Veteran's Commission** Bruce Trevethan (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R, or U.
- **36.** VNA France Geschimsky (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **37. VNA** Andrew Legnani (D) term expires on 1/31/2023. (He does not wish to be reappointed.) Replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **38.** VNA Peter Zarabozo (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. (He does not want to be reappointed) Replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **39. VNA** Donna Rutkowski (U) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **40.** Water Control Commission Liam Mitchell (R) Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **41.** Water Control Commission Alternate Vacancy Term would be until January 31, 2024. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **42. Water Control Commission –Alternate -** Vacancy -New term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **43.** Water Control Commission Alternate Vacancy New term would be until January 31, 2026. Can be filled with a D, R or U. (Depending on the above two appointments).

- **44. Youth Services Advisory Board Youth** Vacancy New term would be until January 31, 2026.
- **45. Youth Services Advisory Board Service Consumer** Donald Geschimsky term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2026.
- **46. Youth Services Advisory Board Youth Officer** Vacancy Theodore Fuini term expires on 1/31/2025.
- **47. Zoning Board of Appeals** Christine Mazzotta (R) term expires on 1/31/2023. Reappointment or replacement would be until January 31, 2028. Can be filled with a D, R or U.
- **48. Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate** Vacancy Term would be until January 31, 2024. Can be filled with a D, R or U.

The Town Council discussed whether the Golf Commission is represented by the various groups it was intended to be represented by, including members of the public and members of the various golf leagues.

#### NO ACTION TAKEN

#### L. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

- Regarding the \$1.5 million grant from the Department of Economic and Community Development mentioned during the Economic Development update, the Town must now work to develop a plan to determine a plan for the funds.
- The Town Council was given a copy of the interview that Assessor Joe Ferraro did with the New Britain Herald on Berlin property revaluation. The article contained information on the process and informed residents that just because the value of their property may have gone up it does not mean that taxes will automatically increase, and that not all property values increased equally. There is also an appeal process available for residents.
  - Mayor Kaczynski added that at the time of the revaluation property values were at an all-time high but now prices are beginning to decrease. The company hired to perform the revaluation took into consideration that another revaluation would not take place for five years so the values were not assessed at the highest values that they could have been.
- The purchase of the Pistol Creek property has been finalized and all documents have been recorded. The Town Manager thanked Corporation Counsel Donofrio for his work.
- The National Opioid Settlement Agreement update \$20,000 has been received to date with about \$50,000 to be received in total. The agreement states that the funds are to be used for opioid remediation and the Town Manager is putting a group together which includes representatives from the Board of Education, VNA, the Police Department, Social Services,

and the Central Connecticut Health District to determine the best way to meet the criteria of the settlement agreement and meet the needs of Berlin.

• The Town Council was copied on a letter the Town Manager received from AmeriCorps Seniors which is a free service used by seniors in the community for medical transportation when Town services are not available such as evenings and weekends. The letter is requesting a donation from the Town for these services.

Town Manager Jayawickrema stated that he has reached out to Senior Center Director Tina Doyle, and she confirmed that this service is frequently used by seniors, therefore if the Town Council is comfortable with donating, he will create an agenda item for it.

• A nationwide cyber-attack on the Town Clerk's land record provider, Cott Systems, occurred on Christmas Eve. Town Clerk Kate Wall stated that the company has been very good at updating her office daily and added that this attack affects those using Cott Systems on the cloud. All land records presented to the Town Clerk's office have been held to be recorded in the proper order once the system is back up.

As President of the Connecticut Town Clerk's Association, Ms. Wall stated that she has been in touch with Cott Systems and the State's Public Records Administrator LeeAnn Burbank. She has also been in contact with Corporation Counsel Donofrio, Town Manager Jayawickrema, and the Connecticut Council of Municipalities' lobbyist.

- Facilities Director Doug Solek has requested that his hours be reduced for the next three months with reduced pay for personal reasons. Mr. Solek will work every day and be on call.
- The Ordinance Committee meeting scheduled for January 5<sup>th</sup> will need to be rescheduled.
- On January 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. a phone meeting will be held with Town Council members, Representatives Veach and Fazzino, and State Senator Rick Lopes to discuss Town of Berlin issues and requests.
- A New Council Member Orientation will be held on Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. for Councilors Coppola and Foster. Various department heads will present during the program.

#### M. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

#### N. COUNCILORS' COMMUNICATION:

None

#### O. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

December 13, 2022

Councilor Paonessa moved to approve the Town Council Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2022.

Seconded by Councilor Veach.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

#### P. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilor Paonessa moved to adjourn at 8:59 p.m.

Seconded by Councilor Rosso.

Those voting in favor: Councilor Fazzino, Councilor Foster, Councilor Paonessa, Councilor Rosso, Councilor Veach, Mayor Kaczynski

Vote being 6-0 (MOTION CARRIED)

Submitted by,

Kathryn J. Wall Clerk of the Meeting