

WORKSHOP MEETING

Town of Berlin

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025,
Call to Order: 7:04 p.m.

Held at: 17563 State Rte. 22

Town board members present:

Councilman Maxon, Councilman Riccardi, and Supervisor Jaeger. Councilman Feathers and Councilman Winn were absent.

Supervisor Jaeger opened the meeting with the signing of the bills. Councilman Maxon made a motion to accept the bills as read. Councilman Riccardi seconded the motion.

 3 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

Supervisor Jaeger and Water District #2 Rent Collector Sarah VanBuskirk sat down and calculated out an increased rate for per thousand gallons metered units as well as the apartment dwellings in town. Currently, metered units are paying \$9.20 per thousand gallons. Those units will be increased to \$13.80 per thousand gallons.

David McNally from the assessor's office is working with Alex Hailey to get a new computer to operate with the proper programs. He also urged the board to find someone who can run the assessor's office full time. The demands of the job are way above the knowledge base that he has for the job, and the demands of the training are going to be difficult for new assessors coming into office because they themselves have full time jobs. He urged the board to consider a re-assessment. It has been long overdue and in some ways the town is at a huge disadvantage without it. He also suggests that the Town move to a single assessor. He feels that the Town would be 6+farther ahead with a single assessor. The board has heard David's concerns and will contact Alex to purchase a new computer.

The board will begin budget discussions within the next couple of weeks. The highway employees in neighboring towns are making considerably more per hour than the Town of Berlin. The board will be paying special consideration to this during their budget workshop meetings and are discussing a five percent (5%) increase.

Councilman Maxon reported that Councilman Doug Feathers has reached out regarding mowing of the old town landfill; he was told a conference call will be scheduled to discuss.

Having no further business to conduct Councilman Maxon made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Riccardi seconded the motion.

__3__Ayes __0__Nays Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned 7:38PM