

**Berne Storm Water Utility Management Board**  
**Wednesday, September 9, 2020**  
**Berne City Hall 12:00 noon**  
**Minutes**

Members present at City Hall; Ernie Steiner, and Ron Sprunger along with Storm Water Board Director Shannon Smitley, City Attorney Dave Baumgartner, and Recording Secretary Becky Sprunger. Others present, Ben Adams Commonwealth Engineers; Clerk Treasurer Gwen Maller; Mayor Gregg Sprunger and Workforce Manager Kurt Daily along with Clint Anderson from the Berne Witness. Unable to attend, board member Kent Liechty. An agenda was posted at the door.

Ernie Steiner called the meeting and verified a quorum.

**Approval of Minutes**-Ron Sprunger made a motion to approve the minutes of August 12, 2020 as written. Ernie Steiner made the second. Motion unanimously approved. 2-0

**Approval of Claims** -The Board reviewed the Phase I LTCP Improvements -Contract "A"- Combines Sewer Separation Project, Payment Tabulation No. 5 for \$343,479.72 from Brackney. Ben Adams, Commonwealth Engineers, City of Berne engineer, reported to the board that the majority of the new pipe has been installed. Brackney is planning to start lining the pipe in the alley south of Main Street with the anticipation that it will take about five workdays to complete. Ben reported that there is still one small project to complete and some small punch list items. Restoration is expected to start soon. Ben added that the project has gone forward in a very timely and in a smooth manner.

Ron Sprunger made a motion to approve the Phase I LTCP Improvements -Contract "A"- Combine Sewer Separation Project, Payment Tabulation No. 5 for \$343,479.72 from Brackney. Ernie Steiner made the second and motion was unanimously approved 2-0

There was no claim submitted by Cornerstone Stewards for the Phase 1 LTCP Improvements - Contract "B"-WWTP & Main Street Lift Station Improvement Project at the time of this meeting.

Shannon reviewed a quote for Lane and High Streets catch basin replacement. A tree in city easement at 665 High Street will have to be removed for the project, which will re-route and replace a catch basin that is not functioning. The quote includes tree and stump removal by Yoder Tree Service of \$1,107 and the installation of the new manhole, 145 foot of HDPE and backfill from Dubach Excavating at an estimated cost of \$ 7,500. Shannon reported that because the tree removal might cause damage to one section of the sidewalk, there might be need for one section of sidewalk replacement, but that is not figured into this estimate. Ron Sprunger made a motion to approve the estimated cost of \$ 8,607 for the Lane and High Streets catch basin replacement project as discussed. Ernie Steiner made the second and the motion was unanimously approved 2-0

With nothing further to come before the board, and on a motion by Ron and a second by Ernie, adjournment followed.

Next scheduled meeting, Wednesday, October 14, 2020