

Berne Storm Water Utility Management Board
Monday, February 3, 2020
Berne City Hall 12:00 noon
Minutes

Present: Board members Ron Sprunger and Ernie Steiner and Kent Liechty, along with Storm Water Director Shannon Smitley, City attorney Dave Baumgartner and Recording secretary Becky Sprunger. An agenda was posted on the door prior to the meeting and notice was given according to state statute.

Others present, Clint Anderson with the Berne Witness, Mayor Sprunger and Clerk-Treasurer Gwen Maller.

First order of business was led by Clerk Treasurer Gwen Maller administrating the oaths of office to Ron Sprunger, Ernie Steiner and Kent Liechty

Ernie Steiner called the meeting to order and verified a quorum.

Re-Organization of the Board: Ron Sprunger made a motion to reappoint the same officers, Kent Liechty made the second and the motion was unanimously approved as follows:

President:	Ernie Steiner
Vice President:	Kent Liechty
Secretary:	Ron Sprunger

Approval of December 4, 2019 Minutes On a motion by Kent Liechty and a second by Ron Sprunger, the minutes were unanimously approved. 3-0

Services Contract with Baker Tilly: City attorney Dave Baumgartner brought the board up to date on the timeline for the bonds. Pre-closing for the bonds will be tomorrow February and the Bond Closing will be February 18th. The Storm Water Board needs to approve the contract with our bond council, Baker Tilly. Dave advised that he has reviewed the contract and it is a standard contract with the normal range of rates. Dave recommended the Storm Water Board to approve the contract. On a motion by Ron Sprunger and a second by Kent Liechty, the board unanimously approved the contract as presented and instructed Storm Water Board president Ernie Steiner to sign it. 3-0

Superintendent Report: Shannon advised the board that the culvert on W 500 South needs replaced at the Habbeger county ditch. The county is planning on repaving the road, Shannon recommended that the board consider replacing the culvert prior to the repaving project. Kent Liechty asked if the culvert is our responsibility. Shannon reported that this is still being worked out with the county, but he wanted this board to be aware that the board might need to take on some or all the cost of replacing it. Shannon said he is working with the county and he hopes to

have more information at the next meeting.

Shannon advised the board that they will start meeting on a monthly basis because of the Water/Main Street projects.

Other: Gwen Maller asked the members to fill out Conflict of Interest statements as required by law. Upon completion, Dave advised the board that they now need a motion to approve the statements. Ron Sprunger made a motion to accept the signed Conflict of Interest statements, Ken Liechty made the second and the motion was unanimously approved. 3-0

With nothing further to discuss and on a motion by Ron Sprunger and a second by Kent Liechty, the meeting was adjourned.