

**Berne Storm Water Utility Management Board**  
**Wednesday, December 10, 2020**  
**Berne City Hall 12:00 noon**  
**Minutes**

Members present at City Hall; Shannon Smitley, Ernie Steiner, Kent Liechty and Ron Sprunger along with City Attorney Dave Baumgartner, and Recording Secretary Becky Sprunger. Others present, Ben Adams Commonwealth Engineers; Clerk Treasurer Gwen Maller and Mayor Gregg Sprunger. An agenda was posted at the door.

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

**Approval of Minutes-** Kent Liechty made a motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2020 as written. Ron Sprunger made the second. Motion unanimously approved. 3-0

**Approval of Claims –** Ben Adams reviewed Phase I LTCP Improvements Contract “A”- Combine Sewer Separation Project, Payment Tabulation No. 8 and Change Order No.1 for a total of \$ 297,524.42 from Brackney Excavating. Ben Adam advised that this claim represents 100% of the contract amount and was reviewed by Commonwealth. Ben recommended that the claim and change order be paid as presented.

Ben advised the board that with the change order, the city was able to do additional sewer work, inlets, pipelining and paving. There is still \$ 163,964.97 in retainage that will be used toward the remainder of the punch list items. Once that list is done, Ben said the board will need to take official action to approve releasing the balance to Brackney.

Ron Sprunger made a motion approve Contract “A”- Combines Sewer Separation Project, Payment Tabulation No. 8 and Change Order No.1 for a total of \$ 297,524.42 for Brackney Excavating. Kent Liechty made the second and the motion was unanimously approved on a vote of 3-0.

The board thanked Ben for keeping them informed during the project and for explaining the pay apps as they came to the board for payment.

**Next Meeting Date** The board agreed to meet on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at noon in city hall.

**Superintendent Report** None

**Board** Ernie asked about the sewer pipes along Heritage Trail. Shannon explained that they are for a sewer extension for O & R Precision Grinding’s new facility.

**Other** Clerk Treasurer Gwen Maller thanked Recording Secretary Becky Sprunger, who is retiring at first of the year, for doing the minutes and agendas for the Storm Water Board over the years.

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