

November 17, 2023

Notice of Public Hearing  
Town of Berlin  
December 14, 2023  
7PM  
At the Town Hall

The Town Board of the Town of Berlin will be holding a public hearing on the proposed resolution to establish an Ambulance Taxing Authority. The Town has successfully funded and started an Ambulance Service that has been approved by the controlling authority and awarded its Permanent Municipal Certificate of Need to operate.

Currently the ambulance funding has been added to the Towns budget. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to establish the service as its own taxing authority just as Berlin Fire District is. Establishing this Authority would add a full accounting of the service to the Towns Annual Budget. This proposal would be to fund at the current rate of \$60,000 which would equate to \$1.45 per thousand of assessed value of a property. To put it in perspective the current billing for the Berlin Fire District is \$4.90 per thousand of assessed value.

Since the formation of the Ambulance service Taconic Valley Ambulance has grown from the three EMTs and one driver to eight EMTs and nine drivers, with another four individuals who have committed to training as EMTs. Taconic Valley Ambulance is a nonprofit volunteer organization which is under contract with the Town of Berlin. The Town owns two used ambulances and provides housing for both as well as squad room.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Jaeger  
Supervisor  
Town of Berlin