

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, February 11, 2022 at 10:06 a.m. at the City Building, 82 Main St., Hornell, NY.

**PRESENT:** Mayor John Buckley, Commissioners Joseph Liberto and Jared Zigenfus, Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Richard Dunning, Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci, Public Works Superintendent Mitch Cornish, and City Clerk Melissa Logan.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ashley Brown, Brian O’Neal, 2 teachers and three students

**ABSENT:** None

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meeting, held January 20, 2022 be approved as read. Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Zigenfus/ Liberto

**RESOLVED**, that the Reports of Department Heads be approved and ordered filed. Carried-Ayes all (X)

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Public Works appoints Ashley R. Brown to the position of Assistant Public Works Superintendent. This appointment shall take effect immediately.

Carried – Ayes All

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$561,498.85 be approved and paid as audited. Carried-Ayes all (X)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Mayor Buckley and Mitch Cornish discussed the request from the DPW to adopt the Drug & Alcohol Policy and the contract revisions. Motion to approve by Zigenfus, second by Liberto. Ayes All

Rich Dunning mentioned that they are gearing up for their ultraviolet disinfection capitol project. We placed the ad this week for the bids for that project. The bid opening will be March 15. The DEC gave us a new permit and tasked us with taking effluent phosphorus from a 0.9 down to a 0.5 by October this year. He discussed how they will work to make that happen and how costs are going up. Our sludge tanks are close to being full. Weather permitting, we might have to get the belt press. If temperatures warm up, we could land apply some of that. Labella's is going to look into a grant for a sludge drier. However, there would be additional expenses to run it.

Mitch Cornish talked about snow plowing and removal. Crews have been plowing and working on removal for these last two storms. The newest BOCES house is moving along and they are starting on to drywall and should be setting superior walls the first week in May. Dan Class has been working with Donnie and that seems to be a good fit. Caleb Mitchell has gone up to the Water Treatment Plant. They are planning on paving projects for the summer. There have been a couple water leaks recently that have been repaired.

Lenny Fucci said that the plant is running well. They are starting to do maintenance on replacing the chemical feed. They do have a clarifier that is down and expect to get that back up by April or May. They have a hydraulic panel that needs to be fixed, as it has started rusting. Their suspected leak is believed to be groundwater and it does not affect the quality, amount or pressure of the water. Next month they will be having the new polymer system installed.

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all(X)

Respectfully submitted,

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Melissa Logan  
City Clerk