A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 10:02 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: Brian O'Neal

**ABSENT:** None

By: Zigenfus/ Liberto

**RESOLVED,** that the minutes of the last meeting, held December 16, 2021 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:**

None

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**RESOLVED,** that claims in the amount of \$1,387,202.33 be approved and paid as audited. Carried-Ayes all (X)

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

• Mayor Buckley discussed the Maple City Softball application that was submitted for the upcoming season. All agreed to approve the application and the clerk will send a letter to notify the organization.

- Rich Dunning spoke of the repairs at the plant, new heaters in the garage, return pumps and standby generator. End of Year reports to total up number of gallons going through the plant and total volume of sludge that went out to fields and landfill. We are at 300,000 gallons of storage space right now. The other factors that have generated a lot of sludge in the past are not happening right now.
- Lenny Fucci is, also, working on End of Year reports, Annual Quality Water report and DEC Water Withdraw report. Their project is not totally closed out, there's 2 punch list items that need to be addressed. Plant is running smooth. Water is running clean and clear. They will need to do spring landscaping because of the project. They checked their flow rates and checked for leaks. The water issue could be a ground water issue as the ground is saturated.
- Mitch Cornish said they have been out, raising the crowns on the trees around town. Winter storm Izzy brought in a lot of hours for storm work. They started at midnight on Sunday and between Sunday and Monday, they put in 265 man hours, 202 man hours on Tuesday and they have continued Wednesday and today removing snow. They have put down approximately 120 tons of road salt. They had 18 vehicles out, including the loader, backhoe, sidewalk tractor, the 6-wheel dump truck, 2 of the one-ton dump trucks and 12 of the ¾ ton pick-up trucks taking care of 82 lane miles of streets, 5 miles of sidewalks, plus the parks and 13 bridges. They had quite a few new employees on their first plowing. The snow is moved out of town to Thacherville. The DEC does not allow snow to be dumped into the river due to salt, etc.
- Mayor Buckley spoke of the grant that the City received for James Street Park. Work that may be addressed includes the tennis courts, changing out the baby pool to a splash pad/spray park, the basketball courts, playgrounds and parking lots.
- Commissioner Liberto spoke of the Library wanting to explore the possibility of having a community garden in the City. Mayor Buckley suggested to first reach out to the YMCA, as they already have one and they do have the possibility to expand.

By: <u>Liberto/Zigenfus</u>
<b>RESOLVED,</b> that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:33
a.m. Carried – Ayes all(X)
Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Logan City Clerk