

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, July 21, 2022 at 10:02 a.m. at the City Building, 82 Main St., Hornell, NY.

**PRESENT:** Mayor John Buckley, Commissioner Jared Zigenfus, Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Richard Dunning, Public Works Superintendent Mitch Cornish, and Deputy City Clerk Fran Cheresnowsky

**ALSO PRESENT:** None

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Joseph Liberto, Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci

By Zigenfus/Buckley

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meeting, held June 16, 2022 be approved as read. Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Zigenfus/Buckley

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

By: Zigenfus/Buckley

**RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$775,527.53 be approved and paid as audited. Carried-Ayes all (X)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Rich Dunning said that he has spoken with Matt Higgins regarding the delay in the WPCP UV project – the Army Corp of Engineers has hired a company to make sure the project would not harm their dyke system and once they are satisfied work can start, hopefully in early August. Concerns are to be addressed to LaBella regarding the impact of the cold months on completing the project on time (May 2023). Rich expressed his thanks to the Mayor and the Common Council for their actions on revisiting the sewer plant budget and user fees – the increase gives a much needed boost to cover maintenance costs. There was some discussion regarding storage, which Rich advises looks good – it is currently less than half full.

Mitch Cornish gave update on Water Treatment Plant as Lenny was absent. The WTP is currently adding water to clarifier #2 to put online so clarifier #1 can be taken off line for repairs to be made to the propeller. Hydrant flushing took place last week for the first time in July – trying to keep water from turning yellow. There are still a few punch list items on clarifier #1 – the control box and some grass issues (not growing)

Mitch Cornish reports DPW is preparing for Gus Macker next weekend, milling will be taking place on the 29<sup>th</sup> on Church, Maple, Miles and Lincoln. Pine Street curbing is ½ completed and when done will be milled and paved. Guys are working on pothole patching as there is a break in mowing at the moment. LaBella hired a surveyor to make a topographical map of the City of Hornell for the DRI and he has been seen working around town. A locksmith has been hired to re-key the new back door. He is going to give a cost to re-key the entire building (52 locksets) as there is some concern that there is no current system in place to track keys. The Mayor asked how Bub was doing – he had been mowing the Hugh Gates field when a piece of metal fell off the side of the building and hit his arm. After a couple of stitches he is doing ok – has not missed any work. Mitch asked about the status of the Street Sweeper bid that is in the works – will need to wait until Missy returns. The Mayor asked about the Fairview Ave project – Mitch reports we are looking into a 60” liner, completion timeline is the end of Sept/beginning of October, will have to go out to bid, specs are being written now.

The Mayor filled Commissioner Zigenfus in on the changes in water and sewer rates made at the Common Council meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup>.

By: Zigenfus/Buckley

**RESOLVED**, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all(X)

Respectfully submitted,

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Fran-Marie Cheresnowsky  
Deputy City Clerk