

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 10:02 a.m. at the City Building, 82 Main St., Hornell, NY.

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** None

**ABSENT:** None

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meeting, held February 16, 2023 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: Zigenfus/Liberto

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hornell issued a Request for Proposals for administration of funds for the Water Pollution Control Plant, project 1B; and

**WHEREAS**, LaBella Associates submitted a timely response to the Request for Proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, The City has reviewed and evaluated the response to the request for Proposals submitted by LaBella Associates and finds it in the best interests of the City to approve said proposal,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Public Works of the City of Hornell, duly convened in regular session, does hereby award the RFP to LaBella Associates for administration of funds for the Water Pollution Control Plant, project 1B;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Carried – Ayes All  
Absent – None

BY: Zigenfus/Liberto

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hornell issued a Request for Proposals for an Asset Management grant received through the Office of Community Renewal; and

**WHEREAS**, Barton and Loguidice submitted a timely response to the Request for Proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, The City has reviewed and evaluated the response to the request for Proposals submitted by Barton and Loguidice and finds it in the best interests of the City to approve said proposal,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Public Works of the City of Hornell, duly convened in regular session, does hereby award the RFP to Barton and Loguidice for the Asset Management grant received through the Office of Community Renewal;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Carried – Ayes All  
Absent – None

BY: Liberto/Zigenfus

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Public Works accepts the bid from C.P. Ward, in the amount of \$1,244,742.00, for the Union Square Park Improvements.

Carried – Ayes All  
Absent – None

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$600,693.42 be approved and paid as audited. Carried-Ayes all (X)

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Two applications for Easter Egg Hunts were reviewed and approved. Ayes All.

Rich Dunning spoke about Blue Heron finishing up the UV project. The site is up to grade and they have finished the concrete. They should finish the building by tomorrow. They are expecting the delivery of the UV unit next week. They are working with Matt Higgins to visit all of the respondents to their industry survey for water usage and raw materials. They should be able to whittle down the list to less than 10 candidates that will belong in the program. They had their first toxicity test last month and are still awaiting the response on that. They are anticipating the receipt of the modified SPEDES permit, which included delaying the phosphorus limit for another year. They will have time this spring to test a couple chemicals that will work to get it down to 0.5%. Multiple workers at the plant are training to take their tests this year. He spent Monday with LaBella's looking around the plant to size up the needs for project 1B.

Mitch Cornish said they are still salting and maintain equipment right now. They just closed down South Division Street bridge as there is some work that needs to be done there. It should take 3-4 weeks to repair it. Mitch asked Rich if they are thinking about sludging this spring. Rich said they are getting the floater ready to go out in the fields. They are looking at visiting both sites this year. The DPW is cleaning the parks up and waiting for the weather to break to get the street sweeper out. They are cold patching currently and waiting on pricing for summer paving. The larger streets they are looking at paving are Crosby Street, Thacher Street and Buffalo Street and some smaller streets if they can.

Mayor Buckley asked Rich how they were doing on sludge for this year. Rich said they were in very good shape.

Lenny Fucci said the Water Treatment Plant is doing well and the water is running clear. They changed the polymer that they were using and the turbidity levels are really low. Caleb Mitchell in school for pesticide application and is doing an online course toward his 2A operator license. Lenny spoke with Brian Butler about getting the lagoons cleaned. They got a call from Mike Bailey about the

vulnerability assessment and emergency response plan from 2020. DOH emailed that they wanted us to resubmit it due to a new template. Lenny contacted Matt Higgins and he never heard from Mike Bailey. There are several small items that have to be corrected. Hoping to get that straightened out this week. They have been testing for PFAS quarterly. Currently it is still unregulated. When it becomes regulated we will know what the MCL level will need be to be after being treated. The EPA is pushing for regulations.

By: Zigenfus/Liberto

**RESOLVED**, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all(X)

Respectfully submitted,

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Melissa Logan  
City Clerk