

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at Hornell City Hall, 82 Main St., Hornell, NY.

**PRESENT:** Mayor John Buckley, Commissioner Joseph Liberto, Commissioner Jared Zigenfus, Water Pollution Control Plant Operator Richard L. Dunning, II, Public Works Superintendent Mitchell Cornish, Deputy Mayor Jessica Cleveland, and Holly Snyder City Clerk.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Heather Lisi, Caleb Mitchell, Robert McLaughlin

**AND FROM THE MEDIA:** None

**ABSENT:** Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci

By: Zigenfus/Liberto

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meeting, held December 18, 2025 be approved as read.

Carried - Ayes all

Absent - N/A

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Reports of Department Heads be approved and ordered filed.

Carried - Ayes all

Absent - N/A

By: Zigenfus/Liberto

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$628,744.36 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried - Ayes all

Absent - N/A

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Maple City Softball Season Event – approved
- Mayor Buckley thanked Jared Zigenfus and commended him for his 8 years of service as Commissioner of the Board of Public Works. His term expires January 31, 2026.

#### **Water Pollution Control Plant – Richard Dunning II**

The new Crane has arrived and we are waiting for construction to be completed, hopefully by Friday. The plans to replace three main sewage pumps will then move forward. Substantial completion of the WPCP project was initially set for late February 2026. There will be a construction project meeting on Tuesday to discuss progress and the possibility of extending the time frame. A second generator test was performed, resulting in no power surges. Studies are

being conducted on the sludge process and we are waiting for lab test results to come back for PFOA levels.

### **Department of Public Works – Mitchell Cornish**

Crews are busy with building maintenance, plowing and salting. We have used 500 ton of salt so far this season. We are seeing interest in the newest Boces House #14 on Canisteo Street, which is still under construction. The BID for Boces House #13 on Madison Ave has been published and there has been interest in this home as well. The new salt truck is performing well. Sidewalk work on Center Street continues, including the installation of handicap accessible plates. Sixteen streets were paved last year and a new list of streets is being compiled.

### **Water Treatment Plant – Caleb Mitchell**

The plant is running well. Water usage is high, at 2.6 million gallons per day. All reservoirs are full again thanks to recent snowfall. R.E. Kelly did some concrete restoration work recently at the plant, sealing up cracks. Joe Brungard is still out of work recovering from a recent injury, and Tony Sciotti has stepped in to work his shift. Caleb continues to learn and has stepped into Tony's shift, which he is enjoying.

By: Zigenfus/Liberto

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all

Absent - N/A

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Snyder

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