

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Safety was held on Thursday, August 13, 2026, at 9:06a.m. in the 2nd floor conference room, Hornell City Hall, 82 Main Street, Hornell, NY.

PRESENT: Honorable John J. Buckley, Mayor, Commissioner David Parmley, Commissioner Scott Richardson, Fire Chief Frank Brzozowski, Police Chief Ted Murray, Deputy Mayor Jessica Cleveland, Neighborhood & Facilities Director Bud Burdett and Deputy City Clerk Samantha Jamison.

ALSO PRESENT: Jacob Giglio

AND FROM THE MEDIA: Neal Simon (Tribune) and Brian O'Neil WLEA

ABSENT: City Clerk Heather Lisi

BY: Parmley/Richardson

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meeting, held July 9, 2026 be approved as read.

Carried – Ayes all

Absent - N/A

BY: Richardson/Parmley

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Reports of Fire, Ambulance, Codes and Police be approved as read.

Carried – Ayes all

Absent - N/A

BY: Parmley/Richardson

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hornell Board of Public Safety hereby approves the appointment of Jacob J. Giglio of 6654 Beecher Drive, Hornell, NY, as a Provisional Firefighter for the City of Hornell effective August 13, 2026.

Carried -Ayes all

Absent – N/A

Jacob has been a call man for the city for less than a year and has already gone on 168 ambulance calls. The mayor said that he has outstanding commitment and dedication.

BY: Richardson/Parmley

WHEREAS, Chapter 201 of the Code of the City of Hornell authorizes the Board of Public Safety to declare a public nuisance when a property accumulates 12 or more points within a six-month period or 18 or more points within a twelve-month period resulting from law enforcement and code enforcement actions (§ 201-2); and

WHEREAS, law enforcement records documented by the City of Hornell Police Department demonstrate that the real property located at **293 Canisteo Street** (Owner of Record: Estate of Linda Cornish) has accumulated **34 points within the past six months** and **43 points within the past twelve months**, far exceeding the statutory thresholds established under City Code § 201-2; and

WHEREAS, these documented incidents include multiple execution actions involving B-felony drug search warrants under Penal Law Article 220 (§ 201-3(B)(1)), repeated disturbances, disorderly premises, larceny, weapon involvement, and two unattended deaths (§ 201-3); and **WHEREAS**, the persistence of flagrant and persistent unlawful activity at 293 Canisteo Street poses a severe, immediate, and direct threat to the public health, safety, and welfare of the surrounding neighborhood and the community environment of the City of Hornell (§ 201-1); **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Public Safety of the City of Hornell finds probable cause that a Public Nuisance exists at **293 Canisteo Street** pursuant to Chapter 201 of the City Code; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that pursuant to City Code § 201-6 and § 201-8, the Board of Public Safety hereby schedules a **Special Nuisance Hearing** to be held on Thursday, August 20, 2026 at 9AM at Hornell City Hall, 82 Main Street, Hornell, NY 14843, to consider the issuance of closure orders, revocation/suspension of certificates of occupancy, or other remedies authorized under § 201-5; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Hornell Police Department and City staff are hereby authorized and directed to immediately issue and serve the formal Notice of Public Nuisance Hearing upon the Estate Administrator, current occupants/holdovers, and all interested parties pursuant to City Code §201-6.

Carried- Ayes all
Absent- N/A

Mayor stated that this property has been an ongoing problem with the neighborhood and the community. All of the recent arrests have caused the points to stack up quickly. Chief Murray said that the issues keep getting worse and we have no control who lives there. The property owner is deceased and the administrator lives out of state and has been working with the city. The mayor wanted to thank police, codes, and the deputy mayor for their efforts.

BY: Parmley/Richardson

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$419,058.48 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried – Ayes all
Absent - N/A

MISCELLANEOUS:

Event Permit Applications:

Hornell NY Pickleball Open
Zumba Summer Celebration

Softball Field Application:

Alfred Almond Valkyries

**Listed event applications were approved by Board of Public Safety. Final review at Board of Public Works meeting on 8/20/2026.

Fire Dept Update - Fire Chief Frank Brzozowski

Josh Szarek finished Paramedic School and did a great job. He is just waiting for the exam to be offered. We don't have anyone going through paramedic school this year. MCC gave us a training

tool to help get the EMTs ready for the first few months of paramedic school so we plan on using that in house.

We received the equipment last week from the grant from the Bethesda Foundation and plan to add that to the training for paramedic school. The FEMA grant has also gone out we are just in the waiting process.

We are hosting the only EMT class that is being offered in Steuben County starting in September with 16 people signed up for the class.

The summer activities with the trucks have been completed.

We are very happy with the new candidate that is being hired and the shifts will shuffle around a little bit.

Codes Department Update – Bud Burdett

96 letters on grass have been sent out. 14 codes slips have been sent to DPW which is \$4,200.00 generated on cutting lawns that the property owner will either pay or it will go on their taxes. The Steuben County tax auction is September 8th-15th. We have 9 properties currently listed. The mayor mentioned the land bank meeting and working with Chris Brewer on demoing/ rehabbing properties. 8 O'Connor Ave has a contractor coming this fall to start on the interior work and the work on 10 Cottage Ave will be finishing up in the next couple of weeks. Larry has written a lot of tickets. 8-10 within the last month for things like dog feces and renting without a C of O. Codes has been working with the Department of Social Services on living conditions.

The drone that they share with the Fire Department is working out great. Larry has used it 9 times. One example was for inspecting the new air conditioning at Lowes.

Bud also mentioned a possible scam with a lady that found an apartment for rent on Facebook marketplace and they asked her to send them a \$100 for the application fee. Ted said that they have had numerous calls about similar situations at the police department.

Police Chief Ted Murray

293 Canisteo St. has had search warrants with a lot of drugs and Ted wanted to thank Jess and Bud for their help with the searches.

Sergeant Murray, Sergeant Harrison, and Officer Hoyt are in Pennsylvania doing their CVSA (Computer Voice Stress Analyzer) recertification. They have to recertify every two years.

Police also have a drone. Andy Merring and Seth Blanchard are the pilots of the drone.

On July 24th they ran a wolf pack they coordinated with the NYS police and Steuben County Sheriff's office. They used unmarked cop cars to watch for drug movement and DWI's. They used this as a training also. Brooks Baker met with officers before about the legalities before going out. They pulled over 88 vehicles in the city and 54 tickets were issued.

The Electric bike issue seems to be improving. They have one guy that has been ticketed 8 times because he refuses to wear a helmet. They have also seized 2 E bikes because they were running from the cops. Frank stated they have had a couple accidents w/ minor injuries.

The construction on State Route 36 has been alot to deal with and they want to talk about things they can do to make the second phase less confusing. The mayor also added that during phase 2 the decorative fencing and lighting will be replaced.

They have run a background check on a candidate that they would like to hire that they believe has a lot of potential. They are currently going through the academy. The city would need to interview him before phase 2 of the academy starts.

BY: Parmley/ Richardson

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Carried – Ayes All

Absent - N/A

Respectfully submitted,

Samantha Jamison

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Deputy City Clerk