

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 10:06 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, Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci, Public Works Superintendent Mitchell Cornish, Deputy Mayor Jessica Cleveland, and City Clerk Holly Snyder.

ALSO PRESENT: None

AND FROM THE MEDIA: None

ABSENT: None

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meeting, held September 25, 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: Liberto/ Zigenfus

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$451,858.97 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried- Ayes all

Absent- N/A

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Hornell for the Holidays & Parade Event - Approved
- No Kings Event - Approved
- Socialization Trick or Treat – Approved

- Water Pollution Control Plant Operator Richard L. Dunning, II provided an update.
 - On October 29th the new generator was started up and tested. There was a little problem with it, the UV system was overloaded and lost about \$20,000 worth of ballasts that start up the bulbs and make them go. Stark Generator Service did the startup and noticed there was no neutral wire connected to the generator. We are investigating to see who is at fault and what happened. Thanks to Josh and Dana, they got all the ballasts we had on hand put into place to run two banks of lights and we passed the fecal coliform test the next day.

- At the start of today we had 170 loads of sludge, that is just over a million gallons we land applied so far.
- The old tractor we had for hauling sludge frame was rotted and broke. Got a new old tractor (2001) from a local businessman.
- Public Works Superintendent Mitchell Cornish provided an update
 - Hydrant flushing will be done tomorrow night. The guys at night say they're clearing up rather quickly.
 - Street sweeper runs until the 25th. Bagged leaves are being picked up until it snows. The dump site on Glen Avenue is getting extremely full and not sure what we're going to do when we run out of space up there.
 - Finished the concrete around the new water fountain at the park.
 - Got notice from the state on our lead service line replacement. We have to start replacing about 10% of our unknown service lines coming up, we have to send letters out. We will start with our paving list and dig all the services up and make sure nothing's there before we pave. It's going to cost some money, probably \$1,500 a house for materials, that's not including repairing the street and gravel and time.
 - National fuel is working on Collier Street and Maple Street.
- Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci. Provided an update.
 - The water plant it doing well, not many problems. With no rain the reservoirs are down but, not concerned about the levels at this point.
 - Bearings went out on the clarifier scraper motor. Donnie and Glenn came and installed an old drive that fit it. We ordered new bearings and a kit to rebuild the motor. The mixer was starting to make some noise so, a new motor was ordered.
 - The new boiler we bought two years ago was installed.
 - We have to come up with 60 sites for water testing. We need 20 sites per tier and there are three tiers.
 - The city was involved with a class action lawsuit for PFAS chemicals. The city received the second payment from the first settlement. The first settlement is a total of \$336,000.

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all

Absent- N/A

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Snyder

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City Clerk