

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, December 18, 2025 at 10:59 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, Deputy Mayor Jessica Cleveland, and City Clerk Holly Snyder.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Heather Lisi

**AND FROM THE MEDIA:** None

**ABSENT:** Public Works Superintendent Mitchell Cornish

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meeting, held November 20, 2025 be approved as read.

Carried- Ayes all

Absent- N/A

By: Zigenfus/Liberto

**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 \$675,096.98 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried- Ayes all

Absent- N/A

**MISCELLANEOUS:** N/A

### **Water Pollution Control Plant Update- Richard Dunning II**

Phase 1B project is moving ahead. Process Control Software will be installed 12/19/25 with classes on controlling the Raw Pumps given to staff. They should have the ability to be tailored to the City's needs. A Generator test will be performed on Monday 12/22/25 with hopes that a re-occurrence of a previous power surge that caused approximately \$17,000.00 in damages does not happen again. Rich has notified Oliver and hopes to recover that amount.

### **Department of Public Works – Mayor Buckley**

The new salt truck is up and running, now giving the City two reliable salt trucks in operation. There have been three water main breaks recently and crews have been able to successfully repair each one. There was an accident with one of the City's plow trucks at the end of

November. A metal plate in the road due to ongoing work by National Fuel was covered in snow causing it to be struck by the plow, causing irreparable damage to the Plow. The truck is in the repair shop currently. We have used 300 tons of salt so far this year. Some DPW staff are currently using up some vacation time prior to year-end. A list of paving projects for next year is being compiled.

### **Water – Lenny Fucci**

Everything at the plant is running well. The water levels in all three reservoirs are currently lower than normal. Rain or snowfall could be helpful. Operator Joe Brungard has suffered a broken leg recently and will therefore be out of work for some time. In his place, Tony Sciotti and will pick up extra shifts to cover. Caleb Mitchell has had to take on additional responsibilities as well. The Mayor reminded Lenny that Mitch still has his license and can be called upon if needed.

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all

Absent- N/A

Respectfully submitted,

*Holly Snyder*

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City Clerk