

REGULAR meeting of the Board of Public Safety was held on Thursday, September 13, 2012, 9:00 a.m. at the City Building, 82 Main Street, Hornell, NY.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Heather Kaszynski; Commissioners George Huffsmith and Dave Sengstock; Police Chief Ted Murray; Fire Chief Dan Smith; Codes Officer Jeff Johnson and City Clerk Barbara M. Perrott

AND FROM THE MEDIA: Christine Loman of the Evening Tribune.

ALSO PRESENT: Alderman John Buckley

ABSENT: Mayor Hogan

By Huffsmith/Sengstock

RESOVLED, that the minutes of the last meeting held 8/9/12 be approved as read.
Carried - Ayes all (X)

By Sengstock/Huffsmith

RESOVLED, that the Reports of Fire, Ambulance, Codes and Police be approved and ordered filed.
Carried - Ayes all (X)

By Sengstock/Huffsmith

RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$ 234,398.60 be approved and paid as audited.
Carried - Ayes all (X)

RESOLUTIONS:

By Sengstock/Huffsmith

TRAFFIC ORDINANCE AMENDMENT No. 703

RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Safety of the City of Hornell hereby approves the following Traffic Ordinance Amendment pertaining to North Church Street:

- That stop signs be installed on the north and south sides of North Church Street, at the intersection with Bennett Street.

This resolution shall take effect upon approval of the Common Council.

Carried – Ayes All

Mitch Cornish stated that high intensity signs and street marking will be in place at this corner within the next week or two.

By Sengstock/Huffsmith

TRAFFIC ORDINANCE AMENDMENT No. 704

RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Safety of the City of Hornell hereby approves the following Traffic Ordinance Amendment pertaining to South Division Street:

- That parking on the east side of South Division Street, the entire length, be restricted.

This resolution shall take effect upon approval of the Common Council.

Carried – Ayes All

Currently there are No Parking signs along the street but this ordinance is not in the Codes book.

The Board reviewed a list of changes to street/traffic signs that are a result of a study of signs that was conducted throughout the City this summer. The list will now go to the Law & Order Committee before approval of the Common Council. Mitch Cornish discussed the City's inventory of signs and the costs of purchasing additional signs.

By Huffsmith/Sengstock

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 12-02

RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Safety of the City of Hornell hereby approves the following Administrative Order pertaining a change to Police Policy 5.100 in dealing with persons in custody:

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 12-02

Due to our officers increased encounters with persons exhibiting both violent and unpredictable behaviors, along with three recent escapes from custody, all officers will strictly adhere to our policy 5.100 when dealing with persons in custody. In addition the following narrative will be added to this policy.

All prisoners should be considered a risk for flight and should not be allowed to leave the cell block area, except for processing purposes in the secured area of the department or to be transferred for arraignment, jail etc.

No phone calls should be given to any prisoner who is exhibiting violence, bizarre or threatening behavior. When permitted, prisoners shall make telephone calls within the confines of their cell, utilizing the available cordless phone. All allowed phone calls should be short in duration, with the phone secured by the attending officer at its conclusion.

The side prisoner entrance door shall be the exclusive door used for transporting prisoners either into or out of the police department. The exception to this would be an emergency evacuation of a prisoner as outlined in 5.100. The crash bar on this side door should be closed and locked (when not in usage) with a steady red light indicating the delay and alarm are in the set mode. When exiting through this door key AA2 (kept on window sill above door) shall be inserted into the lock and turned to the left until light blinks. This allows

exit from the door and then resets the crash bar lock. Turning it to the right disengages both the alarm and delay lock.

All prisoners being transferred to city court, jail, hospital, etc. by a member of our department shall be handcuffed through a waste security belt, and leg shackled. If prisoners show any indication of violence, intoxication, intention of escape, or are facing charges of a violent felony two officers should be used in the transport. The hand cuffs, and leg shackles shall not be removed outside the secured holding area, except at the direction of the chief of police or when they interfere with needed medical care. When escorting a prisoner the officer should place himself to the rear and within close proximity to the prisoner, when possible using the security belt for additional control purposes. Prisoners should be kept in constant view and control of the attending officer.

No prisoner shall be removed from his/her cell for purpose of smoking or visitation except through the direction of the Chief or Captain of Police. The cell block door leading into the unsecured office area shall be kept locked and closed, except when being utilized by an officer actually present in the cell block area. When in processed all prisoner's property should stored under lock within the locker assigned to the corresponding cell number.

Carried – Ayes All

Chief Murray stated that this Order is in response to a couple of recent arrests where the prisoners escaped custody.

Officer Jen Speed demonstrated the new tasers and explained the difference in these and the old ones. Chief Murray said that officers have only had to use the tasers twice in the past six years. Use is restricted to violent, aggressive behavior. A full review is conducted when it has been used.

Commissioner Huffsmith commended both the Police and Fire Departments on the fine job they do.

Codes Officer Johnson reported on the progress on a dwelling on Canisteo St. The porch will be torn off in the next few weeks.

Alderman Buckley recognized Bud Burdett for the great work he has been doing with Codes issues. Johnson agreed.

Johnson also stated that the new St. Ann's Academy is still working on bringing some issues from Chapter 13 of the Existing Building Codes up to compliance.

By Huffsmith/Sengstock

RESOLVED, that this meeting adjourn at 9:30 am.

Carried - Ayes all (X)

Heather Kaszynski
Deputy Mayor

Barbara M. Perrott
City Clerk