



MANIFEST
HORNELL COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 23, 2026



CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Buckley

INVOCATION: Mayor Buckley

PLEDGE: Mayor Buckley

MINUTES: January 26, 2026

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

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| 1) Gen Fund Rev. – 1/2026 | 10) BPW Minutes – 1/2026 |
| 2) Water Fund Rev. – 1/2026 | 11) DPW/Sewer – 1/2026 |
| 3) Gen Fund Exp. – 1/2026 | 12) WTP – 1/2026 |
| 4) Water Fund Exp. – 1/2026 | 13) WPCP – 1/2026 |
| 5) City Clerk – 1/2026 | 14) Petro – 1/2026 |
| 6) BPS Minutes – 1/2026 | 15) Library – 1/2026 |
| 7) Fire/Amb. – 1/2026 | 16) Humane Society – 1/2026 |
| 8) Codes/Codes Log – 1/2026 | 17) HAT Commission – 1/2026 |
| 9) Police – 1/2026 | |

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Audit Committee, Finance Committee

RESOLUTIONS: HN 26-09 Re-appoint Buckley to St. Co. Land Bank Corp
HN 26-10 Sale of Maple City Park Sports Complex
HN 26-11 Approve HPG Contract Renewal
HN 26-12 Governor's Proposed Increase Temporary Municipal Aid

PETITIONS: NONE

CLAIMS: \$397,544.78

MISCELLANEOUS: HPG update Michele Pogue

ADJOURN:

HN-26-09

RESOLUTION

CITY OF HORNELL, NY

February 23, 2026

BY:

WHEREAS, the County of Steuben appointed John Buckley, Hornell City Mayor, to the Steuben County Land Bank Corporation as a municipal representative, and

WHEREAS, the by-laws of the Steuben County Land Bank Corporation require that the Common Council for the City of Hornell approve said appointment/reappointment, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council for the City of Hornell finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Hornell to have Mayor Buckley re-appointed to the Steuben County Land Bank Corporation.

NOW, therefore, it is hereby RESOLVED:

The Common Council for the City of Hornell approves the re-appointment of Mayor John Buckley, to the Steuben County Land Bank Corporation for a term of two years commencing on January 1, 2026 and expiring on December 31, 2027.

Carried –

Absent –

HN-26-10

RESOLUTION

CITY OF HORNELL, NY

February 23, 2026

BY:

WHEREAS, the Hornell City School District has since 1961 leased the parcel of land known as Maple City Park, Steuben County tax map 151-10-2-10.1 generally known as the “Sports complex” at the Hornell High School, and

WHEREAS, the School District has made numerous improvements of the parcel relying on the lease, and

WHEREAS, the School District is desirous of purchasing Maple City Park for the refund of taxes payable on behalf of the City and Hornell Partners for Growth, \$52,324.00 to other parties, and

WHEREAS, the School District and City recognize that the sale of Maple City Park will need to be approved by the State Legislature, and

WHEREAS, the City owns four parcels of land used for municipal/water purposes and have been exempt by the School District from taxation; and

WHEREAS, the School District will continue to exempt the water parcels located in the Town of Hornellsville, and

WHEREAS, the parties have drafted an agreement that sets forth the terms the parties have agreed to encompassing all the terms of the sale and continued exemptions, and

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Hornell City Council approves said agreement between the Hornell City School District setting forth the terms of the sale and the exemptions to be provided and continue to be granted to the City by the School District as well as the other conditions to the sale and the exemptions.

Carried –

Absent –

HN-26-11

RESOLUTION

CITY OF HORNELL, NY February 23, 2026

BY:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Hornell hereby approves the contract renewal with Hornell Partners for Growth to help promote businesses located within the City of Hornell, within the business improvement district, for a twelve (12) month term, beginning April 1, 2026 and expiring March 31, 2027. A copy of the contract is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Carried –

Absent –

HN-26-12

RESOLUTION

CITY OF HORNELL, NY February 23, 2026

BY:

WHEREAS, Governor Kathy Hochul has released her 30-day amendments to the Executive Budget, which include an additional \$100 million in Temporary Municipal Assistance (TMA) to be allocated in the same manner as in the previous two years; and

WHEREAS, municipalities across New York State, including the City of Hornell, continue to face significant fiscal pressures due to rising costs associated with energy, employee wages and benefits, construction materials, equipment, and essential supplies; and

WHEREAS, these increased costs place substantial strain on municipal budgets and, absent additional state support, risk shifting further financial burdens onto local taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed increase in Temporary Municipal Assistance represents a meaningful investment in New York's cities and villages, helping to stabilize municipal finances, protect essential services, maintain infrastructure, and lessen the burden on property taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, strengthening the state-local partnership is critical to ensuring municipalities can continue to deliver high-quality public safety, public works, and community services that residents rely upon; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Conference of Mayors (NYCOM) has expressed strong support for this proposal and has called upon the State Legislature to preserve this increased funding in the adopted State Budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hornell Common Council hereby expresses its strong support for Governor Hochul's proposed \$100 million increase in Temporary Municipal Assistance, as well as the additional funding for distressed municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council recognizes this proposal as an important step toward providing fiscal relief to municipalities facing mounting financial challenges and to protecting local taxpayers from additional economic strain; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Hornell Common Council, the Mayor of the City of Hornell, and the City Chamberlain stand united in support of this increased state investment in local governments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this Resolution to Governor Kathy Hochul, members of the New York State Legislature representing the City of Hornell, and appropriate state officials, urging that this increased funding be preserved in the final adopted State Budget.

DULY ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Hornell at a regular meeting thereof held on _____, 2026.

Carried –

Absent –