

A REGULAR meeting of the Board of Public Safety was held on Thursday, December 9, 2021, at 9:01 a.m. in the second-floor conference room of City Hall, 82 Main Street, Hornell, NY

PRESENT: Honorable John J. Buckley, Mayor, Commissioner David Parmley, Fire Chief Frank Brzozowski, Neighborhood & Facilities Director Bud Burdett, Police Captain Mike Sexsmith and City Clerk Melissa Logan.

ALSO PRESENT:

ABSENT: Commissioner Scott Richardson, Police Chief Ted Murray

By Parmley/ Buckley

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meetings held November 12, 2021 be approved as read.

Carried – Ayes all

By Parmley/ Buckley

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

Carried – Ayes all

Resolutions: None

BY: Parmley/ Buckley

RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$649,342.36 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried – Ayes all

Miscellaneous:

Mayor Buckley commented that the Christmas parade went really well, thanks to the police and fire departments. The blocked off either end of the street from vehicle traffic to keep everyone safe.

Chief Brzozowski said that the departments have been working well together. The ambulance has been very busy. There were 360 calls total last month. They have been conducting COVID testing clinics at the Art Center at least once a week for the last few weeks. The gentleman came down from the stretcher company two weeks ago and showed how to mount the auto load system. The others should be

in soon. For the COVID clinics, there have only been, about, 1 in 10 positives per day.

Bud Burdett said that they have been getting a lot of calls for landlord/tenant issues. Specifically for heat. They have been doing a lot of PPA's and apartment inspections. There have been a lot of building permit applications going through, as well, especially for roofs. There is a list of the most recent foreclosed properties in the paper and they have until March 9th to pay. There are 35 new ones in Hornell. They called the county to find out why all the properties were not listed in the paper and they said that these are just the new ones, the older ones are still on the list. He has been speaking to the Land Bank about some possible houses to be demolished and there are six properties being considered. There have been some local landlords that have acquired bad properties and rehabilitated them and brought in good tenants.

Mayor Buckley asked if Codes could remind property owners to remove snow and ice from their sidewalks.

Captain Sexsmith agreed that the Christmas parade went well. The shut down Main Street from Center Street to Route 36 and everyone felt safe. The police body cams are not in yet, but they are working on a policy for use of them. When they do arrive, they will have training for them. Shop with a cop is coming up on Saturday with the following police departments taking part in it: Hornell, Alfred University, Canisteo, North Hornell and Angelica. The Sheriff's Office will be doing Toys for Tots at Walmart at the same time. There are about 50 kids taking part in shop with a cop from all these areas. They have been growing their beards for 3 months to raise money. They have about \$700 and the Police Club will match it. They pick 10 families to give the money to for the holidays and they give it to them about a week before Christmas. Things have been slowing down a little bit now, but they are still having issues with mental health issues and drugs. Supervisor school is in January and sergeant McHenry will be attending.

Mayor Buckley said that they will be adding one more patrolman to the Police Department in the new year.

Chief Brzozowski stated that the area hospitals have been so busy that they have been put on diversion twice recently.

BY: Parmley/Buckley

RESOLVED, that there being no further action, the meeting was adjourned
at 9:52 a.m.

Carried – Ayes All

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Logan, City Clerk