

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 10:01 a.m. via ZOOM conference call and at the City Building, 82 Main St., Hornell, NY.

**PRESENT:** Mayor John Buckley, Commissioner Jared Zigenfus, Commissioner Joseph Liberto, Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator, Richard Dunning, Public Works Superintendent Mitch Cornish and City Clerk, Melissa Logan.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Chris Potter from the Evening Tribune.

**ABSENT:** Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator, Leonard Fucci

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meetings held June 18, 2020 be approved as read.

Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that the Reports of Department Heads be approved and ordered filed.

Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$1,087,702.48 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried-Ayes all (X)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

- The YMCA requested the use of the soccer fields at Shawmut Park for the youth soccer program. The request was approved, but they must follow and attest to the NYS Reopening Sports & Recreation Guidelines.
- The request for the Co-Ed Softball league that was tabled in April has been approved, but they must follow and attest to the NYS Reopening Sports & Recreation Guidelines.
- A request for street closing for the First Baptist Church Community Celebration was tabled, due to current COVID-19 restrictions, and will be revisited in August.

Rich Dunning mentioned that sanitary wipes being flushed down toilets are becoming a bigger problem. They have had to clear wipes, plastics, razor blades, lighters, etc. out of the system. The storm on Sunday brought a lot of sand and gravel into the sewer system, hindering function.

Mitch Cornish spoke about the foundation and the house itself on Front Street (BOCES House) should be set in October. COVID-19 stalled the build of it and the City has been working on it. The Preston Avenue houses should start after that, pending school reopening. The Preston lots have been surveyed and they are getting ready to begin on them. The Seneca Street bridge is on a 14 day cure before installing sidewalks, and should be opening mid-August. The East Main Street bridge should be open mid-September. Canisteo Street bridge has been closed until spring due to its structural integrity. The water plant is scheduled to shut down on July 21 at 8:00pm until July 22 at 8:00am. The public should remember to conserve water during that time. There was a water main break on Canisteo Street yesterday that was addressed and fixed by last evening. The DPW is repairing DI's and replacing curbs on Hill Street. Paving in August will include Alley Avenue, Sherwood Avenue, Upper Hill Street and Webster Street. The 800,000 gallon water tank will go online in August. Mitch made note that the City garage needs work, the roof is leaking and machinery is getting older.

Mitch received a request to remove the sidewalk at 204 Stephens Avenue in front of the Dunham's property. The request will go to the city attorney for review.

Mayor Buckley spoke of the great job the DPW is doing with all of the parcels we have to mow. The guys at the garage and the summer help have been doing a great job.

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

**RESOLVED**, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all(X)

Respectfully submitted,

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Melissa Logan  
City Clerk