

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 10:04 a.m. at the City Building, 82 Main St., Hornell, NY.

**PRESENT:** Mayor John Buckley, Deputy Mayor Jessica Cleveland, Commissioner Joseph Liberto, Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Richard Dunning, Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci. Public Works Superintendent Mitch Cornish, and City Clerk Melissa Logan.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Brian O'Neal of WLEA.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Jared Zigenfus

By: Liberto/Buckley

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meeting, held June 15, 2023 be approved as read. Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Liberto/Buckley

**RESOLVED**, that the Reports of Department Heads be approved and ordered filed. Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Liberto/Buckley

**RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$1,100,084.66 be approved and paid as audited. Carried-Ayes all (X)

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Rich Dunning spoke of the UV project. The electric panels were supposed to be shipped on the 18<sup>th</sup>. They have finished up planning for Phase 1B, including rehab of the anaerobic digesters, replacement of the raw sewage pumps, sludge pumps, boilers, emergency generator and SKATA system. It should go out to bid before the end of the year. They received approval from the DEC to test two polymers at the plant to try to drive the effluent below 0.5mg/liter. They have been scraping and painting the building and the digesters. Their annual inspection last month went ok. HP Hood rented a new treatment unit. It floats the biomass and they skim it off the top. They are doing better in their day-to-day operations.

Mitch Cornish said the DPW is in maintenance mode. They have finished up a major portion of their paving and are now repairing DI's and working on parks, cutting grass. The new backhoe is in. Still waiting on a dump truck to come in.

Looking to use more of the CHIPS funding in the fall. At Shawmut Park, they are working on the fishing deck and the skate lite. James Street Park is looking good.

Mayor Buckley spoke about the bid that is out for James Street Park and the opening is scheduled for July 25 at 3:30. Streetscapes and alleyways bid is going out to bid in early August.

Lenny Fucci said that their summer help has done a lot this year between the reservoirs and mowing the plant. They have been cleaning the pump houses. The hydraulic panel has been rebuilt and is back in. They are getting ready to do the lead & copper testing. This year they started testing before there were any issues with discolored water and started add a low dose of sodium promagenate. They started upping it a little at a time. The problem is hit or miss and they are trying to stay ahead of it this year.

- Four event application were reviewed:
  - Hornell Association Annual Clambake – Ayes All
  - Alstom Family Fun Day - No to closing down all of Park Drive and no to allowing bounce houses – Ayes All
  - Library Beginner Bike Ride – Finalize dates and other information with Capt. Sexsmith for safety – Ayes All
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Mayor Buckley noted that letter all around the city is getting worse.

By: Liberto/Buckley

**RESOLVED**, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all(X)

Respectfully submitted,

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Melissa Logan  
City Clerk