

**A REGULAR** meeting of the Board of Public Safety was held on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room, Hornell City Hall, 82 Main Street, Hornell, NY.

**PRESENT:** Honorable John J. Buckley, Mayor, Commissioner David Parmley, Commissioner Scott Richardson, Fire Chief Frank Brzozowski, Neighborhood & Facilities Director Bud Burdett, Police Chief Ted Murray, Deputy Mayor Jessica Cleveland and Deputy City Clerk Fran-Marie Cheresnowsky.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ed Flaitz

**ABSENT:** None

BY: Parmley/Richardson

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the last meeting, held October 13, 2022, be approved as read.

Carried – Ayes all

BY: Richardson/Parmley

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

Carried – Ayes all

**Resolutions:**

BY: Parmley/Richardson

**RESOLVED**, that the City of Hornell, Board of Public Safety, hereby accepts the resignation of Fire Department Call Man, Kelsey Brzozowski, effective October 23, 2022.

Carried – Ayes All

Absent – None

BY: Parmley/Richardson

**RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$334,595.16 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried – Ayes all

**Miscellaneous:**

Event applications for Hornell for the Holidays and Cookies with Santa were both approved – all ayes

Chief Murray stated he added a list of October's arrests to his report and will be adding monthly going forward. This was in response to the poll taken by the Hornell Sun indicating the public wants more information. The Mayor suggested providing that report directly to the Hornell Sun and they can share it as they see fit since it is public information. HPD does not use its Facebook page to report everyday arrests, but does use it to provide notifications to residents of increased crimes in the area, important events, etc. Mayor Buckley suggested that if Facebook is used, comments should be turned off – posts are for informational purposes only and nobody is monitoring them to answer any questions or comments. Chief reports the department is keeping busy. Mental Health issues are becoming more common and tying up a lot of man hours. Officers can't just dump someone at the hospital and leave. Plans on putting together some stats regarding this issue. He indicated that it would be nice to know where counselors come from and how to contact them. Body cams are working out well, officers are getting used to them, but expressed concerns about the cost eventually falling on the city. New vehicles should be on the road next week.

Chief Brzozowski talked about he and Mayor Buckley meeting with local townships and burgs regarding ambulance services, trying to calm rumors. Most have been very receptive, many have questions. He and the Mayor have been trying to educate them on the need before outlining services to be provided at what cost and have received mostly positive feedback. Call numbers have been increasing mostly due to mental health, drug overdoses and aging population. New fly car has been put in service and they guys are really liking the dual function role. Chief believes the AWD will be very handy with the coming winter weather.

Bud Burdett brought Ed Flaitz to the meeting to explain the process they are using to digitize Codes records. He believes that Kathy is picking it up very quickly and they have been scanning current records. They should be ready to start scanning historical documents into the system soon. Chief Brzozowski asked if the Fire Dept will have access to the electronic records, and Ed said they will do some testing and see what needs to be done to make that happen. Everyone believes it will make the office more efficient and make retrieval of documents easier. Bud stated they've been getting a lot of complaints regard leaves blowing from neighbors' property. There is nothing in the code that says you have to rake your

leaves. Also received a couple of late complaints regarding mowing, but the state says the last mow date is October 15<sup>th</sup>.

By: Parmley/Richardson

**RESOLVED**, that there being no further action, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

Carried – Ayes All

Respectfully submitted,

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Fran-Marie Cheresnowsky  
Deputy City Clerk