

A REGULAR meeting of the Board of Public Safety was held on Thursday, November 12, 2021, at 10:02 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, Commissioner Scott Richardson, Police Chief Ted Murray, Fire Chief Frank Brzozowski, Neighborhood & Facilities Director Bud Burdett and City Clerk Melissa Logan.

ALSO PRESENT: Brian O'Neil - WLEA

ABSENT:

By Parmley/ Buckley

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meetings held October 14, 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 \$291,773.45 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried – Ayes all

Miscellaneous:

Chief Brzozowski said that they have been getting lots of calls. They have had 6 sessions for COVID testing at the Hornell Arts Center and over 300 people have been tested. They have had more negatives than positives. There have been a lot of transfers out of the hospital and these transfers have been more emergencies than COVID related issues. Their academy training is almost to the half way mark. There are two firefighters going through paramedic training and it is going well. They have just started their clinical rotation. The Fire Department received a FEMA grant for new ambulance cots and the self-loading systems. There were

three ambulances down last week with issues. The City Christmas lights are going up and they have been helping with that.

Bud Burdett spoke about the positives related to court dates, getting tenants into court and getting tenants out of problem apartments. Our nuisance code is helping to get these tenants into court for evictions. The current lag is about 14 days to get them out. Building permits and inspections have been keeping them busy. They are happy that grass & weed season is over. Hot water heater issues are the big issue lately. Rental properties must maintain a 68-degree temperature. Another big issue is people raking leaves into the road.

Chief Murray said his department has been busy with a lot of mental health calls. Some of these calls are the same people over and over again. There is nowhere local to bring them other than Saint James. The department is getting ready for shift changes. Officer Kerr, the school resource officer, has expressed that he would like to do something different, so they will be looking for a new resource officer. Mike Losecco has expressed interest in that position. The Chief said that they have ordered the body cams and they should be in after the first of the year. Training for them will be inhouse. They have had two incidents this last week with a person with a weapon out at an officer. Both occurrences were deescalated.

Chief Brzozowski had one last note. The Fire Department received a letter from the Intermediate School thanking the Fire Department for being great role models. With the academy training going on in the mornings, the students on their way to school have noted that they see the firefighters running and working out and thought it was great!

Mayor Buckley let the commissioners know that the Law & Ordinance Committee will be meeting to discuss the option of opting out of marijuana dispensaries and that they are welcome to attend the meeting.

BY: Richardson/ Parmley

RESOLVED, that there being no further action, the meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Carried – Ayes All

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Logan, City Clerk