

REGULAR meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on April 21, 2005, at 4 p.m. at the City Building, 82 Main St., Hornell, N.Y.

PRESENT: Honorable Shawn D. Hogan, Mayor; Commissioner Joseph Bob; Water Pollution Control Plant Chief Operator Richard L. Dunning II; Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci; Public Works Superintendent David Oakes; and City Clerk Robert J. Roberts.

AND FROM THE MEDIA: Kyle Torok and Cory Bishop of The Evening Tribune.

ALSO PRESENT: Erie Court resident Betsy Baker Gero; Erie Avenue resident Peggy Lynch; and Bruce Jackson of ER Construction.

ABSENT: Commissioner Michael Fucci.

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meeting held March 17, 2005, be approved as read.

Carried—Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci

By Bob/Hogan:

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

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$297,907.86 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci

MISCELLANEOUS:

1) REQUEST FOR USE OF JAMES STREET PARK FOR SOUTHERN TIER DIESEL FUNDRAISER

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that the City of Hornell Board of Public Works approves the request of the Southern Tier Diesel Football Team to hold a softball tournament fundraiser May 21 at James Street Park, pending confirmation of the team's not-for-profit status by Mayor Shawn D. Hogan.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci

ON THE QUESTION: Commissioner Bob asked if the football team met non-profit status, which Mayor Hogan said he would confirm. Superintendent Oakes asked if allowing the team to hold a food sale would violate the concession agreement; Mayor Hogan noted the concession contract with Steven Freeland has not yet been signed.

- A petition was received in advance of the meeting from Erie Court residents (see appendix). Mayor Hogan and Superintendent Oakes said they visited the street earlier this week and determined the primary problem was a lack of a public right-of-way. Superintendent Oakes said people in the narrowest part of the street park on sidewalks to allow a lane of travel. Also, the street needs storm drains to prevent erosion and other problems. Resident Betsy Baker Gero said some residents are “very concerned about the deterioration of their property” and that 90 percent of residents are supportive of any improvements. “We’re not saying yes or no” to the petition, Mayor Hogan said; instead, more study is needed and a review from the DPW Engineering Office. It is possible the street could receive storm sewer work this year, said Superintendent Oakes, but Mayor Hogan said finding money to do a large-scale improvement of the street could take one or two work-seasons. The mayor and superintendent noted the City has to work with utilities on street improvements

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that this meeting adjourn at 4:34 p.m.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Roberts
City Clerk

