**REGULAR** meeting of the Hornell Common Council was held on Monday, November 19, 2012, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at 82 Main St., Hornell, N.Y.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Shawn D. Hogan; Aldermen Murray, Brown, Harkenrider, Bacon, Lehman, Bassage, Buckley and Carbone, Stenographer Karen Schu and City Clerk Barbara Perrott.

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Chamberlain Michele Smith, Eileen Lehman, 6 High School students, two representatives from Edgemere Development and one member of the community.

ABSENT: Aldermen Sciotti and Foreman and City Attorney Joseph Pelych

**INVOCATION:** Rev. David Kilgore from United Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Shawn Hogan

By: Lehman/Brown

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the Common Council meetings of October 22, 2012 be approved as read.

Carried - 8

Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

By: Murray/Bacon

**RESOLVED**, that the Reports of Officers be accepted and placed on file.

**REPORTS FILED:** Dog Control Officer Inspection Report-10/22/12; General Fund Exp.-10/2012; Water Fund Exp.-10/2012; City Clerk-10/2012; Water Fund Rev.-10/2012; General Fund Rev.-10/2012; Humane Society-10/2012; Housing Rehab Summary-10/2012; BPS Minutes-10/12/12; HPD-10/2012; Codes-10/2012; HFD-10/2012; DPW Minutes-10/18/12; DPW-10/2012; Petro Tank-11/1/12; WCPC-10/2012; WTP-10/2012; Project Summary-11/5/12.

Carried - 8

Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

By: Buckley/Lehman November 14, 2012 To the Honorable Shawn D. Hogan, Mayor And Members of the Common Council

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Bills were audited and approved by Audit Committee members Larry Bacon, Jeffrey Brown and James Bassage and by Audit Committee Chairman John Carbone on Tuesday, November 13, 2012.

Bills audited and approved:

CC \$184,974.26

CD \$ 40,028.82

PAYROLL \$ 87,598.86

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TOTAL \$312,601.94

Respectfully submitted,

John Carbone, Chairman Audit Committee

October 30, 2012

Hon. Mayor Shawn D Hogan
Members of the common Council

Ladies & Gentlemen:

The Planning and Development Committee met on Monday, October 29, 2012 at 5:00 pm in the Mayor's Conference Room at City Hall. Members present were Alderman Jim Bassage, John Carbone, Jeff Brown, John Buckley, and Joe Foreman, Chairman.

Others present were Mayor Shawn Hogan, Christine Loman of the Evening Tribune, Bill Dugan of WLEA, Jason Sackett of the Hornell Housing Authority and City Attorney Joe Pelych.

Items Discussed and Acted upon:

- 1) Mayor Hogan informed the Committee about Edgemere Estates' interest in developing the old Lincoln School, currently used by St. James. Said development would include apartments for persons or couples over the age of 55 who also meet various other criteria. A motion was made by Buckley and seconded by Carbone to support the development project. Ayes All.
- 2) Discussed the boundaries that would include eligibility for participation in the recently passed Local Law #3 dealing with Tax Abatement. A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Carbone to include the whole city within said boundaries. Ayes All.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Foreman, Chairman

Carried – 8

Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

Alderman Murray asked if the Lincoln Gardens project was something that the Hornell Housing Authority could develop. Mayor Hogan replied that Jason Sacket attended the meeting and is in favor of it but it is a major project for the Housing Authority to take on.

By: Carbone/Brown

# HN-12-68 Re-Authorizing Operating Assistance

**WHEREAS**, Section 5311 of Title 49, United States Code, provides federal financial assistance for public transportation in rural and small urban areas by way of a formula grant program to be administered by the States; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hornell may make application annually to the New York State Department of Transportation for such federal aid for operating assistance for a Project to provide public mass transportation service on a continuing basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hornell desires to enter into a continuing agreement with the State of New York for the undertaking of the Project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor of the City of Hornell is authorized to sign the following:

- 1) A continuing agreement between the City of Hornell and the State of New York providing for the undertaking of the Project and authorizing annual grant applications for such Section 5311 funds;
- 2) Any and all agreements between the City of Hornell and any third party subcontractors necessary to complete the Project.

Carried - 8

Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

By: Buckley/Bacon

## HN-12-69 Support Lincoln Gardens

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hornell adopted the City of Hornell Comprehensive Plan in 2002, including the goal to create more/better housing opportunities for low to moderate income residents, and

**WHEREAS**, the construction of approximately twenty-three (23) one (1) and three (3) two (2) bedroom apartments in the former Lincoln Elementary School located at 373 Canisteo Street addresses the need for quality, affordable housing for seniors 55 years of age and older in the City of Hornell, and

**WHEREAS**, 373 Canisteo Street is zoned R-2, Residential Family District, appropriately for multi-family housing and the Project ties to the City of Hornell Comprehensive Plan by creating new housing for all income levels and the planned development and Goals for Health and Welfare to: "Create more/better housing opportunities for low to moderate income residents." and

**WHEREAS**, the project ties to County Economic Development Plans and State Goals and

**WHEREAS**, the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy CEDS 2012 supports the creation of increased housing:

"Goal 7: maximize quality of life and livability for residents and visitors to the STC region.

Objective 1: Encourage the development of increased housing opportunity for all residents of Schuyler, Steuben and Chemung Counties." and

WHEREAS, the Steuben County Economic Development Plan 2011-2013 Action Item D, Strategic Priority #1 is "promoted community revitalization by encouraging development of vacant and underutilized properties and Brownfields," and, the Southern Tier Economic Development Council Plan Revitalization Strategic Action Item 5 Supports the creation of residential housing options, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Lincoln Gardens promotes housing opportunities for senior residents 55 and older of the City of Hornell; the Project will provide fifteen percent (15%) of the units for physically disabled residents, and

WHEREAS, in 2002, only 3.37 of the 543 City acres were multifamily residential and

**WHEREAS**, Lincoln Gardens will provide construction-period employment and two (2) permanent part-time jobs.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Hornell supports the new adaptive reuse and rehabilitation of the vacant Lincoln Elementary School into affordable senior housing known as Lincoln Gardens on approximately 1.3 acres (373 Canisteo Street). By this resolution, the 2002 City Comprehensive Plan is amended to include this project and the pending comprehensive plan will include the project. The proposed Lincoln Gardens is consistent with City, County, and State goals.

Carried – 8 Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

Two representatives from Edgemere Development attended the Council meeting. Stephanie Benson, one of the reps, said that they are applying for the funding now. If it is awarded in the spring they hope to begin next fall. Alderman Buckley asked if the work would include resurfacing the parking lot. It will. The current plan is to mothball the gymnasium. If there is a second phase of the project in the future they may consider doing something with the gym then.

By: Bacon/Harkenrider

HN-12-70 Designate area re Section 485-N of the Real Property Tax Law

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hornell Common Council has passed Local Law No. 3 of 2012, adopting the provisions of Section 485-N of the Real Property Tax Law to the City of Hornell, and

**WHEREAS**, Local Law No. 3 of 2012 required that the Common Council Planning and Development Committee and the Mayor for the City of Hornell define the area in the City of Hornell which shall be included within the designated benefit area pursuant to Section 485-N of the Real Property Tax Law, and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Development Board and the Mayor for the City of Hornell have made a determination that due to the unique nature in which the City of Hornell has developed, it would be in the best interest of the City of Hornell that the entire corporate bounds shall be available for development pursuant to Section 485-N of the Real Property Tax Law.

## **NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby resolved that:

The Common Council for the City of Hornell hereby designates the City of Hornell's entire corporate bounds as the designated benefit area pursuant to Section 485-N of the Real Property Tax Law.

Carried – 8 Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

### **CLAIMS**

By: Carbone/Lehman

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that claims in the amount of \$312,601.94, as audited by the Audit Committee of the Common Council of the City of Hornell be approved and authorized paid as audited.

 Common Council
 \$184,974.02

 Community Development
 \$ 40,028.82

 Payrolls
 \$ 87,598.86

TOTAL \$312,601.94

Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

#### **NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS: -**

Alderman Jim Bassage asked for an explanation of the application process for Community Development assistance. Mayor Hogan explained that it is income based on guidelines set by the federal government. The properties are inspected to determine what work needs to be done. The first things to be addressed are code issues. If there is lead paint, that must be removed. Applications are reviewed annually. Bassage asked if a list of homeowners awaiting approval was available. Hogan said it was and would provide it.

The Audit Committee recently met with City Chamberlain Michelle Smith to discuss some questions they had. Chairman Carbone thanked Smith for attending the meeting and answering their questions. Mayor Hogan commended Smith on the fine job she has done since taking office in January.

Alderman Buckley asked if the house that is being rehabilitated on Crosby St. is near completion. The owner has been working on it and has 18 months to complete the job.

The ribbon cutting ceremony for the Grand St. Bridge will be held on Tuesday, November 20 at 3:30 pm

Mayor Hogan wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and wished the Hornell Red Raiders good luck as they head to Syracuse for the State Championship game on Saturday.

By: Carbone/Buckley

RESOLVED, that the Common Council adjourn at 7:36 p.m.

Carried – 8 Absent – 2 (Sciotti, Foreman)

SHAWN D. HOGAN MAYOR BARBARA M. PERROTT CITY CLERK