

REGULAR meeting of the Hornell Common Council was held on Monday, Sept. 13, 2004, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers, 82 Main St., Hornell, N.Y.

PRESENT: Honorable Shawn D. Hogan, Mayor; Aldermen Flaitz, Koehler, Norton, Sciotti, Foreman, Shepard, Smith, Lewis and W. Hogan; City Attorney Joseph Pelych; Stenographer Karen Schu; and City Clerk Robert J. Roberts.

ALSO PRESENT: Kyle Torok of The Evening Tribune; June Shearer-Pieklo of Hornell Partners for Growth; and, The Rev. Mike Childs, pastor of First Baptist Church.

ABSENT: Alderman Testani, due to illness.

INVOCATION: The Rev. Mike Childs, pastor of First Baptist Church.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Alderman Norton.

By Shepard/Sciotti:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as read.

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

By Smith/Koehler:

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

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sept. 13, 2004

TO: Honorable Shawn D. Hogan, Mayor
And Members of the Common Council

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Planning & Development Committee met on Monday, Sept. 13, in the Mayor's Conference Room at 6:30 p.m.

Members present were Aldermen Foreman, Koehler, Smith and Hogan. Others present were Mayor Hogan and Kyle Torok of The Evening Tribune.

Items discussed and/or acted upon:

- 1) Mayor Hogan presented a site plan for Hornell Waste's 60x80 warehouse. This would be an Olympia building built in front of his current office. This would be approximately 4,800 square feet. A motion was made by Foreman, seconded by Smith to approve. Passed, all ayes.
- 2) Mayor Hogan presented a site plan for 99 Park Drive. Eric Weyand would put motor storage units in a total of 22 10x15 bays, and five 6x10 bays. A motion by Koehler, seconded by Foreman. Passed, all ayes.

There being no further business for the committee, a motion was made by Foreman, seconded by Smith, to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William Hogan
Chairman, Planning & Development Committee

By Flaitz/Norton:

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

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

RESOLUTIONS:

#1 – APPOINTING TONY AINI TO BAR – HN-04-59

BY: Norton/Flaitz

RESOLVED, that Tony Aini, of 1 Hogan Drive, be re-appointed to a five-year term on the City of Hornell Board of Assessment Review, to run from Oct. 1, 2004, to Sept. 30, 2009.

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

#2 – SUPPORT FOR HORNELL PARTNERS FOR GROWTH PROJECT – HN-04-60

BY: Smith/Shepard

WHEREAS, Hornell Partners for Growth is applying to the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation for a New York Main Street grant to add new benches, remove concrete and replace with trees and perennials, and other general improvements to make the shopping atmosphere enticing to the people who live work and play in the downtown area, located within the territorial jurisdiction of this Common Council; and

WHEREAS, as a requirement under the rules of these programs, said organization must obtain the “approval/endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located”,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by this body that the Common Council of the City of Hornell hereby does approve and endorse the application of Hornell Partners for Growth for a grant under the New York Main Street Program for a project known as “HPG Main Street Improvement Project” and located within this community.

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

ON THE QUESTION: In response to questions from aldermen, Mayor Hogan noted the grant being sought was for \$25,000, and that the city would work with HPG on the grant application. Alderwoman Shepard agreed with Mayor Hogan that the business district looked nice at present.

#3 – WAIVE AGENDA – HN-04-61

BY: W. Hogan/Lewis

RESOLVED, that the Common Council waive the agenda in order to discuss a resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant offer for Hornell Municipal Airport.

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

#4 – AUTHORIZING AIRPORT GRANT WITH NYSDOT – HN-04-62

BY: W. Hogan/Koehler

Authorizing acceptance of a grant offer from the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for work at the Hornell Municipal Airport described as rehabilitate obstruction lighting beacons, rehabilitation and expand terminal apron, PIN # 6902.15-K-550783 (the Project).

WHEREAS, the NYSDOT has offered a matching grant to federal grant AIP # 3-36-0041-15-04; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hornell desires to advance the Project by committing funds for the local match, the funding shares being federal (FAA): \$389,118; State \$10,240; Local \$10,240; and Total \$409,598; and

WHEREAS, if the City of Hornell and/or the FAA notifies the NYSDOT that the City of Hornell has requested and received an increase in Federal funding for the Project based on increased eligible costs and has authorized the proportionate increase in local funding, the State share noted above shall be increased proportionately up to a maximum increase of 15%.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Common Council of the City of Hornell does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Common Council of the City of Hornell hereby approves the above subject Project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that Shawn Hogan, Mayor of the City of Hornell, be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements on behalf of the City of Hornell with NYSDOT in connection with the project, and it is further

RESOLVED, that a Certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

ON THE QUESTION: In response to a question from Alderwoman Shepard, Mayor Hogan said this resolution will mean the City of Hornell will not have to pass another resolution if the federal share increases for the Airport Project.

PETITIONS: None

CLAIMS: None

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Mayor Hogan noted that he and aldermen have received complaints from residents about stray cats and the problems they cause. The mayor noted the city has a plentiful supply of have-a-heart safety traps to capture cats. He also said he has had discussions with Hornell Area Humane Society officials about that agency accepting more cats if it had more cages, and to offer low-cost spaying and neutering of cats. Mayor Hogan noted this would be an economically feasible approach to the problem, as opposed to impractical suggestions (such as microchip implantation) from some city critics.
- Alderwoman Shepard asked for an update on the city's brush waste/composting project. All of the equipment is in, Mayor Hogan said, with paving and the formation of material compartments yet to be done. "Hopefully, it will be open for leaf season," said the mayor, adding that the site will be staffed and will provide free compost. Talks are under way with officials from outlying communities about setting up a fee structure to allow out-of-town people to deposit brush at the site.
- The new street-sweeper has arrived, Mayor Hogan noted, and has begun regular operation in the city. Alderwoman Shepard said it cleaned beautifully. Mayor Hogan said that not only was the ban on parking never lifted, Public Works Superintendent David Oakes is asking that it be extended year-long (to be discussed at a future Board of Public Works meeting).

By Shepard/Flaitz:

RESOLVED, that the Common Council adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Carried – Ayes all (9)

Absent – Alderman Testani (1)

Shawn D. Hogan
Mayor

Robert J. Roberts
City Clerk