REGULAR meeting of the Hornell Common Council was held on Monday, March 25, 2013, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at 82 Main St., Hornell, N.Y.

PRESENT: Mayor Shawn D. Hogan; Aldermen Brown, Harkenrider, Sciotti, Bacon, Lehman, Buckley and Carbone, Stenographer Karen Schu and Deputy City Clerk Tina Lee.

ALSO PRESENT: City Chamberlain Michele Smith, Eileen Lehman, 8 High School students, Jeff Cole from the Evening Tribune and Brian O'Neil from WLEA.

ABSENT: Bob Murray, Joe Foreman, Jim Bassage

INVOCATION: Pastor Troy Kahler, Hornell Bible Church

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Shawn Hogan

By: Lehman/Buckley

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Common Council meetings of March 11, 2013 be approved as read.

Carried – 7
Absent – 3 (Murray, Foreman, Bassage)

By: Buckley/Carbone

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

REPORTS FILED: Humane Society-2/2013; Board of Public Safety-2/14/13; Codes-2/2013; Fire/Ambulance-2/2013; Police-2/2013; Econ Devel. & Housing Rehab Summary-2/2013; Library Board of Trustees-2/23/13; Board of Public Works-2/21/13; DPW-2/2013; Petro Tank-3/1/13; WTP-2/2013; Sewer Report-2/2013; WPCP-2/2013.

Carried – 7
Absent – 3 (Murray, Foreman, Bassage)

By: Buckley/Lehman

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

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, James Bassage, Jeffrey Brown and by Audit Committee Chairman John Carbone.

Bills audited and approved:

CC	$1,971,218.93
CD	$ 15,355.03
PAYROLL	$ 88,169.48
TOTAL	$2,074,743.44

Respectfully submitted,

John Carbone, Chairman
Audit Committee

Carried – 7
Absent – 3 (Murray, Foreman, Bassage)

Mayor Hogan explained why the audit was higher than normal. We collect all taxes at City Hall; this audit includes the amount returned to the county for their taxes. Hogan also stated that prior to the Council meeting, the Planning & Development Committee met. A full report of that meeting will be presented at the April 8, 2013 meeting.

By: Sciotti/Brown
HN-13-021 Budget Amendment – Police Equipment

WHEREAS, a budget amendment is necessary to reflect an increase in the Police Equipment Account [A3120.2],

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Hornell, NY that the 2012-2013 City of Hornell budget now reflects the following adjustments:

- Increase revenues [A3389] by $12,859.37, monies from State Aid Public Safety Grant
- Increase expenditures [A3120.2] Police Equipment by $12,859.37.

Carried – 7
Absent – 3 (Murray, Foreman, Bassage)

Mayor Hogan said this transfer was for the balance of a new police car.

By: Carbone/Buckley

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of $ 2,074,743.44, as audited by the Audit Committee of the Common Council of the City of Hornell, be approved and authorized paid as audited.

Common Council	$1,971,218.93
Community Development	$ 15,355.03
Payrolls	$ 88,169.48
TOTAL	**$2,074,743.44**

Carried – 7
Absent – 3 (Murray, Foreman, Bassage)

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS: -

In response to questions on the cat problem in the City, Mayor Hogan said that Attorney Pelych will review the questions and respond. The proposed law needs to be tweaked and will then be presented to the full Council. Hogan, Bud Burdett and Mark Mahoney will be meeting to work on a solution to the cat problem.

Mayor Hogan reported that the State Budget has been passed with a variation of the "pension smoothing". There has been in increase in consolidated highway improvements funding.

The new project at the railroad depot was discussed. 100 new jobs will be created in the next year. Mayor Hogan gave all credit for this project to Pete Wall.

Peebles is buying the building on Broadway and will be investing $1,000,000 for remodeling and improvements.

The new Save-A-Lot store is under construction. Aaron's has moved into their new location and Family Dollar is investing $300,000 in their expansion and remodel.

Alderman Brown asked if there were any street projects planned for this year. Mayor Hogan said there were not any major works planned but lots of paving.

Alderman Sciotti asked if the City has changed over to the new radio system yet. Hogan said we are in the process and the funds have been budgeted for.

Alderman Buckley asked if the increase in minimum wage had been planned for. Hogan said that he budgeted for the increase for the summer workers.

By: Lehman/Bacon

RESOLVED, that the Common Council adjourn at 7:22 p.m.

Carried – 7
Absent – 3 (Murray, Foreman, Bassage)

SHAWN D. HOGAN
MAYOR

BARBARA M. PERROTT
CITY CLERK