

PUBLIC HEARING on the proposed 2005-06 City of Hornell Water Budget was held on March 28, 2005, at 6:45 p.m. in Council Chambers, 82 Main St., Hornell, N.Y.

PRESENT: Honorable Shawn D. Hogan, Mayor; Aldermen Flaitz, Koehler, Norton, Sciotti, Foreman, Testani, Shepard, Smith, Lewis and B. Hogan; City Attorney Joseph Pelych; City Clerk Robert J. Roberts; Susan Argentieri; Bruce Jackson; Larry Hovish of The Evening Tribune; Jim Gentile of radio station WCKR; Jonathan Mark of radio station WKPQ; the Rev. Beth Kottemann of the United Methodist Church; and eight Hornell High School students.

Mayor Hogan reviewed the 2005-06 City Water Budget for those in attendance. He said the City recently made “a full-court press” to get delinquent tax bills paid; otherwise, water rates under the new water budget would have gone up 7 percent. There now will be no increase in the flat rate billings done in April and October.

The mayor noted that the retiring debt on the 1974 project at the Water Plant would be used to offset nearly all of the debt projected with the new Southwest Quadrant Water Distribution Improvement Project, which begins this year.

Alderman Foreman, chairman of the Common Council’s Finance Committee, asked about the water bills that are still outstanding. Mayor Hogan said they will be booked as receivables and will be applied to the new City property tax.

The public hearing was closed at 6:55 p.m.

Shawn D. Hogan
Mayor

Robert J. Roberts
City Clerk