

REGULAR meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, June 15, 2006, 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 Rich Dunning II; Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator Leonard Fucci; Public Works Superintendent David Oakes; and City Clerk Robert J. Roberts.

AND FROM THE MEDIA:
Rob Montana of The Evening Tribune.

ALSO PRESENT: None.

ABSENT: Commissioner Michael Fucci.

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meeting held May 19, 2006, be approved as read.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

By Bob/Hogan:

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

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

ON THE QUESTION: Chief Operator Dunning updated the board on the upcoming bid to replace the 20-year-old process control system, estimated to cost \$50,000, and scheduled to go to bid by July 11. Chief Operator Fucci updated the board on clarifier work, leaking water distribution boxes, and other items needing repair. Chief Operator Fucci also noted a 26-million-gallon discrepancy between the amount of water coming out of the Water Treatment Plant and what is being treated at the other end, the Water Pollution Control Plant. It does not appear to be a leak, according to Chief Operator Fucci, who said it possibly could be increased water use by the parts of Hornell whose water pressure was improved in the recent Water Distribution Improvement Project. Finally, Mayor Hogan noted that ornamental fencing is being installed by the subway/underpass, and that the Gateway Project medians have been cleaned of weeds.

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$

552,631.73 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

MISCELLANEOUS:

#1 – REQUEST FOR USE OF JAMES STREET PARK FOR ‘FAMILY FUN & HEALTH DAY’

By Bob/Hogan:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hornell Board of Public Works hereby approves the use of part of James Street Park by the Canisteo Valley Assembly of God for a “Family Fun & Health Day,” 11 a.m.-3 p.m. July 8, 2006.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

#2 – LIPPINCOTT’S REQUEST FOR INCREASE IN CITY CONTRACT

By Hogan/Bob:

WHEREAS, rising fuel costs have raised operating expenses for Lippincott’s Rubbish Inc., of Tobes Hill Road, Hornell, which is the City’s contracted garbage collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Works approves the request from Lippincott’s Rubbish Inc. to increase its City contract by 10 percent, effective July 1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Board of Public Works hereby raises the annual solid waste surcharge by \$5, to a total of \$70 a year.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

ON THE QUESTION: Mayor Hogan noted the increase is due to a rise in fuel prices. He said Lippincott’s service has been excellent and Commissioner Bob commended Ella Lippincott for the work of her company. When the City first imposed a solid waste surcharge, it was \$75, he said, and then was lowered to \$65, where it has remained for at least 15 years. The surcharge to residents reflects what it costs to have the service, said the Mayor and DPW Superintendent Oakes.

#3 – REQUEST TO CLOSE OFF PLEASANT STREET

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Works hereby approves the request of the VFW Post 2250 Ladies Auxiliary to close off part of Pleasant Street on Aug. 5, 2006, to host a

“Relay for Life” block party.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

#4 – REQUEST TO CLOSE OFF DELAWARE AVENUE

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Works hereby approves the request of Vinny’s Bar & Grill to close Delaware Avenue, from the Terry to Fourth street intersections, from 3-9 p.m. June 24, 2006, to provide parking for the Fourth Annual Steve Bossard Memorial Golf Tournament, contingent upon the understanding that emergency vehicles and residential vehicles will have access during these hours, and that the event ceases promptly at 9 p.m.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

#5 – REQUEST TO CLOSE OFF BEMIS AVENUE

By Hogan/Bob:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Works hereby approves the request of David Whiteman to close off Bemis Avenue from 1-5 p.m. June 25, 2006, for a graduation party, contingent upon the understanding that emergency vehicles and residents can have access during these hours.

Carried – Ayes all (2)

Absent – Fucci (1)

By Bob/Hogan:

RESOLVED, that this meeting adjourn at 4:24 p.m.

Carried – Ayes all (32)

Absent – Fucci (1)

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Roberts
City Clerk