

REGULAR meeting of the Hornell Common Council was held on Monday, April 23, 2012, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at 82 Main St., Hornell, N.Y.

PRESENT: Mayor Shawn Hogan; Aldermen Murray, Brown, Harkenrider, Sciotti, Foreman, Bacon, Lehman, Bassage, Buckley and Carbone; City Attorney Joe Pelych and City Clerk Barbara Perrott.

AND FROM THE MEDIA: Andrew Poole, Evening Tribune and Brian O'Neal, WLEA.

ALSO PRESENT: County Legislator Randy Weaver, City Chamberlain Michele Smith, Eileen Lehman and 17 high school students.

ABSENT: None

INVOCATION: Rev. Springston, First Baptist Church

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Alderman John Carbone

By: Carbone/Buckley

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Common Council meetings of March 26, 2012 be approved as read.

Carried – 10

By: Bacon/Brown

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

REPORTS FILED: City Clerk-3/2012; Library Trustees-2/27/12; Gen. Fund Exp.-3/2012; Water Fund Exp.-3/2012; Codes-3/2012; Fire/Ambulance-3/2012; Police-3/2012; Gen. Fund Rev.-3/2012; Water Fund Rev.-3/2012; BPW Minutes-3/15/2012; DPW-3/2012; Petro Tank-4/2/12; WTP-3/2012; WPCP-3/2012; Sewer Rpt.-3/2012; BPW Resolution

Carried – 10

Alderman Murray asked if we had received the March Library Trustees minutes yet. They have not been submitted to the City Clerk yet.

By: Carbone/Bacon

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

Law & Ordinance Committee

The Law and Ordinance Committee met on Wednesday April 4, 2012 at 5 PM at City Hall

Attendees: Aldermen Larry Bacon, Jeff Brown, Fred Lehman, Angelo Sciotti, Randy Harkenrider, John Buckley and Bob Murray, Chairman. Also in attendance were Mayor Shawn Hogan and Chief Ted Murray.

Press: Andrew Poole from the Evening Tribune and Bill Dugan from WLEA

Agenda: Discuss street sign placement on Grand Street and South Division Street.

John Buckley had a complaint from Mrs. Crow on Grand Street that cars were parking too close to the edge of her driveway. This was blocking her sight when backing out of her driveway. She claimed it made it very difficult for her to see cars coming down the hill. She was requesting that 'No Parking' signs be placed on both sides of her driveway so she would have clear line-of-sight when backing out of her driveway.

Chief Murray stated that he would look into this situation to see if the placement of signs on each side of her driveway is warranted.

John Buckley also had a concern about the 'No Parking' signs on South Division Street. There is no parking on the East side of the street however at the top of the street people park on both sides of the street. He had Mitch Cornish check on the signage for that street and Mitch found nothing on the 'books'. Mayor Hogan stated that years ago, some Aldermen would have signs posted without going through the proper channels.

Chief Murray stated that he would look into this situation to see if the signs should be there. Mayor Hogan recommended that there be a Ward by Ward review of all signs. He stated that we could use a 'Summer time' employee to do a complete sign inventory. The list would then be reviewed through the proper channels.

Other Business: Angelo Sciotti is concerned about the lack of lighting for the temporary walkway up the east side of Route 36 while the North Hornell Bridge is being replaced. There is currently no exterior lighting except for the Business parking lots at Lowe's and the Wal-Mart Plaza.

Mayor Hogan and Chief Murray said they would look into temporary exterior lighting options for that area.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Audit Committee

April 18, 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 Jeffrey Brown, Larry Bacon and Randy Harkenrider, and Audit Committee Chairman John Carbone on Wednesday April 18th, 2012 at 3:30 p.m.

Bills audited and approved:

CC	\$107,460.62
CD	\$ 1,596.15
PAYROLL	<u>\$ 78,289.87</u>
 TOTAL	 \$187,346.64

Respectfully submitted,

John Carbone, Chairman
Audit Committee

Youth & Recreation

April 3, 2012

Hon Mayor Shawn D Hogan
Members of the council
Ladies & Gentlemen:

The Youth & Recreation Committee met on Tuesday April 3rd, at 6:00pm at City Hall. Members present were Randy Harkenrider, Joe Foreman, Fred Lehman, Jim Bassage and myself.

Others present were Director of Parks & Pool Brian Striker. Andy Poole from the Evening Tribune & Bill Dugan from WLEA.

Items discussed:

1) Parks that we will manage for 2012. Bryant, James Street (Veterans Park), Madison Ave, Stephen Street, Shawmut, and we will be looking to see if Columbian will be ready for the

summer.

- 2) The committee reviewed the attendance list from 2011.
- 3) Committee reviewed the 2011 employee list.
- 4) Discussed the opening of the Parks & Pool tentatively.
- 5) Committee to go out and look at the Parks and bring back any issues they see to be fixed.
- 6) Set next meeting at 6:00pm on Tuesday, April 17th.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Angelo Sciotti, Chairman

April 17th, 2012

Hon. Mayor Shawn D Hogan
Members of the common Council

Ladies & Gentlemen:

The Youth & Recreation Committee met on Tuesday, April 17th, 2012 at 6:00 pm at City Hall. Members present were Alderman Joe Foreman, Jim Bassage, Fred Lehman, and Myself.

Others present were: Director of Parks & Pool, Brian Striker, And Andy Poole from the Evening Tribune.

Items Discussed and Acted upon:

- 1) The Committee discussed the 6 parks that we will have open , Bryant, Madison Ave, James Street (Veterans Park) , Stephens Street, Shawmut, and we will have Columbian back this year.
- 2) The Committee reviewed the attendance numbers for last year. The Parks were busy daily

as we had a very hot summer last year, but the Pool was extremely busy as it had 1,200 more kids there last year.

3) The Committee reviewed and added new hires to the list to make our employment of 25 employees, 2 supervisors, 11 parks employees, and 10 pool life guards, and 2 pool maintenance employees. There will also be a sub list to go off of if need be. The pay for all employees will stay the same as last year.

4) The tentative dates for the Parks & Pool are June 25th to August 17th. Brian will notify the media when it is possible.

5) The Committee did a walk of the parks for maintenance issues and we submitted then for repair to Mitch. We also discussed the Parks and Pool area being Smoke Free. Jim Bassage help with us getting some free signs from Southern Tier Tobacco Coalition Cassie Combs.

6) The cost for city residents for use of the pool will stay at 10 cents, and out of city residents will be 50 cents.

There being no further business meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angelo Sciotti, Chairman

By: Sciotti/Murray

HN-12-18 Apportion Taxes

WHEREAS, the budget report as adopted shows the amount to be raised by tax for the current year to be \$2,639,610.78;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council does ascertain that the aforesaid sum of \$2,639,610.78 as above set out, be and the same is hereby levied according to the valuation upon the assessment roll for the current year, and the City Clerk and the Mayor along with the City Chamberlain be, and are hereby directed, in

accordance with the provisions of the City Charter of Hornell, to apportion said sum levied on the assessment roll to be raised by tax, and to receive and collect same.

Carried – 10

By: Buckley/Lehman

HN-12-19 Award Services for CDBG Program

Whereas, the City of Hornell has received approval for a CDBG grant to implement a housing rehabilitation program in the City; and

Whereas, the City has solicited and received proposals from qualified firms to provide administrative and program delivery services and lead based paint testing services to assist the City in the implementation of the program.

Be It Resolved that the Common Council hereby awards the administrative and program delivery services contract to Stuart I. Brown Associates Inc. and the lead based paint testing services contract to Eco Spect Inc.

Carried – 10

Alderman Murray asked when we use Stuart I. Brown Associates. Mayor Hogan explained that Stuart I. Brown has administered our Community Development Grant program for a long time.

Alderman Bacon asked if Eco Spect is a local company. Mayor Hogan said they are based in Rochester. He has looked into other companies but Eco Spect is the best deal.

By: Buckley/Lehman

HN-12-20 Award Services for CDBG Economic Development Grants

Whereas, the City of Hornell has received approval for two CDBG Economic Development grants to assist Electrical Power worX Inc. and TTA Systems LLC, respectively, expand their operations and create new jobs in the City; and

Whereas, the City has solicited and received proposals from qualified firms to provide administrative and program delivery services to assist the City in the implementation of these programs.

Be It Resolved that the Common Council hereby awards the administrative and program delivery services contract to Stuart I. Brown Associates Inc.

Carried – 10

By: Buckley/Sciotti

HN-12-21 SEQR – Residential Rehab Program

WHEREAS, the City of Hornell is considering the implementation of a Residential Rehabilitation Program for eligible homeowners in Hornell, to be undertaken as part of the 2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program that has been approved by the NYS Office of Community Renewal (OCR); therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) regulations, the Common Council has determined that the proposed action is a Type II action, as defined by OCR. The project qualifies as a Type II action as it involves rehabilitation of existing residential properties.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Common Council will take no further action with regard to SEQR for this project as Type II actions are not subject to review under SEQR.

Carried – 10

By: Bacon/Murray

HN-12-22 NEPA - Residential Rehab Program

WHEREAS, the City has been awarded a \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) award to implement a Residential Rehabilitation Program to enable low and moderate income homeowners make essential improvements to their houses.

WHEREAS, as part of the CDBG requirements, Stuart I. Brown Associates has prepared the Environmental Review Record which is required to satisfy the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby adopts the Environmental Review Record and has determined that the Residential Rehabilitation

Program will not have significant impact on the human and natural environment, and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be given to the CD Office and Stuart I. Brown Associates.

Carried – 10

Mayor Hogan was asked if there is already a list of homeowners wanting to use the grant. Hogan explained that we are only able to fix 15 or 16 houses per grant. The most needy and properties with code violations are the first to be repaired. The homeowners are free to select their own contractor but that contractor must be licensed with the City.

Mayor Hogan is looking into a "Self-help Painting Program" for this summer. The homeowner will be responsible for scraping and painting their house and the City will provide the paint.

By: Buckley/Bacon

HN-12-23 Budget Amendment

WHEREAS, the 2012-2013 Budget was adopted on February 20, 2012; the Board of Assessment Review met after that date and also the Chamberlain's office reported an increase in omitted tax, necessitating budget amendments.

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 the use of \$2835.00 more in the fund balance from \$250,000 to \$252,835 and
- Increase omitted tax by \$1695.51 to a total \$3,519.22 and
- Decrease total assessed value from \$230,728,528 to \$230,473,328.

These amendments result in a tax decrease from 1.74% to 1.68%

By: Murray/Harkenrider

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$187,346.64 as audited by the Audit Committee of the Common Council of the City of Hornell, be approved and authorized paid as audited,

Common Council

\$107,460.62

Community Development	\$ 1,596.15
Payrolls	<u>\$ 78,289.87</u>
TOTAL	\$187,346.64

Carried - 10

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS: -

- The Department of Public Works agreed to extend the contract with Lippincott's and a 7% increase.
- Four of the union contracts are up for negotiation this year. Mayor Hogan will be conducting negotiations throughout the summer.
- Hogan stated that the new City Chamberlain is doing a very good job.
- The Planning & Development Committee and any aldermen who are interested were asked to remain after the regular council meeting to go into executive session.
- Alderman Buckley asked for an update on the Grand St. Bridge project. The bid was scheduled to be opened on April 25 but an addendum has gone out so the opening date is now May 1. Completion is still scheduled for November.
- Alderman Murray asked if there was any progress on the Spay/Neuter program that the Humane Society is working on. Mayor Hogan said they are still looking for a more permanent location for their operatory.
- Mayor Hogan discussed a letter he sent to Steuben Trust about Shell Oil Corp with regards to the City selling water to them. Due to declining natural gas prices they are opening as many wells but he will monitor the situation.
- The City received an invoice from the County for the 2012 elections. This cost used to be spread out on County taxes but because of the tax cap, municipalities are now being billed for the costs.

By: Carbone/Sciotti

RESOLVED, that the Common Council adjourn at 7:50 p.m. to enter executive session with the Planning & Development Committee.

Carried – 10

SHAWN D. HOGAN
MAYOR

BARBARA M. PERROTT
CITY CLERK