

**REGULAR** meeting of the Board of Public Safety was held on Thursday, July 12, 2007, at 9:04 a.m. at the City Building, 82 Main St., Hornell, N.Y.

**PRESENT:** Honorable Shawn D. Hogan, Mayor; Commissioners George Huffsmith and David Sengstock; Fire Chief Dan Smith; Interim Police Chief Ted Murray; and City Clerk Robert J. Roberts.

**AND FROM THE MEDIA:** Jen Carpenter of The Evening Tribune.

**ALSO PRESENT:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

By Huffsmith/Sengstock:

**RESOLVED**, that minutes of the last regular meeting, held June 14, 2007, and the special meeting of June 20, 2007, be adopted as read.

Carried – Ayes all (3)

Absent – None

By Sengstock/Huffsmith:

**RESOLVED**, that the Reports of Fire, Ambulance, Codes and Police be approved and ordered filed.

Carried – Ayes all (3)

Absent – None

By Sengstock/Huffsmith:

**RESOLVED**, that claims in the amount of \$211,192.97 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried – Ayes all (3)

Absent – None

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

##### **#1 – APPROVE PERMANENT APPOINTMENT OF POLICE CHIEF**

By Sengstock/Huffsmith:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Hornell Board of Public Safety hereby permanently appoints Theodore J. Murray to the position of Chief of Police of the Hornell Police Department, effective this date, with a six-month probationary period.

Carried – Ayes all (3)

Absent – None

**ON THE QUESTION:** Mayor Hogan noted Chief Murray is number-one on the chief's list with a score of 90, followed by Interim Capt. Mike Sexsmith with a score of 81. "Since his appointment [as interim police chief], he has shown me he has the dedication and desire to serve the citizens of the city and is dedicated to moving our police department forward in a positive way," Mayor Hogan said of Chief Murray. Chief Murray thanked the Board for their confidence in him, and pledged to "put 100-percent effort" into the post.

- The Board received a request from the Arkport Harley Owners Group for police and fire escort of its annual motorcycle run on July 21, 2007. Mayor Hogan said he has assigned Chief Murray to handle the details.
- Mayor Hogan noted this is Chief Smith's first Public Safety meeting as official chief. The Mayor praised his performance thus far, and noted the City faces a challenge in providing services "without taxing our people out of existence." Chief Smith thanked the Board for its support. "I don't think we've missed a step with these two appointments," Commissioner Huffsmith said the police and fire chief selections.
- The Board discussed the need to fill recent and anticipated vacancies in the police and fire departments.

By Huffsmith/Sengstock:

**RESOLVED**, that this meeting adjourn at 9:17 a.m.

Carried—Ayes all (3)

Absent – None

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert J. Roberts  
City Clerk