

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, April 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM conference call in Hornell, NY.

PRESENT: Mayor John Buckley, Commissioner Jared Zigenfus, Commissioner Joseph Liberto, Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator, Richard Dunning, Public Works Superintendent Mitch Cornish and City Clerk, Melissa Logan.

ALSO PRESENT: Chris Potter from the Evening Tribune.

ABSENT: Water Filtration Plant Chief Operator, Leonard Fucci.

By: Zigenfus/Liberto

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meetings held March 19, 2020 be approved as read.

Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

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

Carried-Ayes all (X)

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

RESOLVED, that claims in the amount of \$436,114.45 be approved and paid as audited.

Carried-Ayes all (X)

RESOLUTIONS:

By: Liberto/Zigenfus

RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Works hereby approves a five-year contract between the City of Hornell and the Water & Waste Treatment Plant Operators, retro to April 1, 2019 and ending March 31, 2024.

Carried – Ayes all (X)

MISCELLANEOUS:

- A Notice of Award for Engineering Services was read, as well as a Notice of Award for Project Management Services. Both of these are for the 2019 NYS-CDBG Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.
- An application for the Wildflower Festival was tabled due to COVID-19.

Mitch Cornish stated that the DPW is split into A and B weeks for workers to keep them socially distanced. They have been hauling gravel and miscellaneous items. The two bridge projects are moving along and still on schedule for July/August. The WTP is on track. There is a bid opening today at 2:00pm for the sewer project. The school district is going to be installing three Wi-Fi hotspots in town. One at the Center Street Parking lot pavilion, across from the YMCA, one at James Street Park and one at Shawmut Park. These hotspots will be free to the public and they will be trying them out for 90 days to see usage. If it is greatly received, they will leave them there. Next month, Steuben County has requested to use Shawmut Park for food bank distribution. They will practice safe distancing and there will be minimal contact.

Mayor Buckley stated that the playgrounds have been fenced off and basketball hoops have been removed to discourage people from gathering at this time. The Arts Center may be used in the future for a blood drive. Stores are starting to limit the number of customers in the store at a time.

Mitch Cornish stated that there has been an uptick of wipes in the sanitary system, including antibacterial and baby wipes, as well as baby diapers. Rich Dunning stated that these items do not break down easily and several times a week they have to take a pump apart to clean them out.

By: Liberto/ Zigenfus

RESOLVED, that there being no further business, this meeting adjourn at 10:24 a.m.

Carried – Ayes all(X)

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Logan
City Clerk