

**HORICON TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**MARCH 15, 2018
7:00 PM**

Present at meeting:	Matthew Simpson	Supervisor
	Frank Hill	Councilperson
	Robert Olson	Councilperson
	Kenneth Higgins	Councilperson
	Sylvia Smith	Councilperson
Krista Wood	Town Clerk	

Also: HS Darian Granger, John Donovan, Bob Smith, Teri Schuerlein, Bernie Bolton, Matt Wood, Drew Cappabianca, Ross & Mary Schoembs, Bill McGhie, Tom Johansen, Peter Palmer, Assessor Christine Hayes, Joyce Greenidge, Jim Hayes, Sarah Hayes, and Chris South.

Supervisor Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Local Board of Health...

A Motion was made by Councilperson Smith, seconded by Councilperson Higgins, to go into session as the Local Board of Health. The Board moved into session as Local Board of Health at 7:00 PM.

Septic Variance Request for 7283 State Rt. 8 / tax map# 72.6-1-8 / Martin:

Brett Winchip, Winchip Engineering, submitted a detailed proposal to replace an existing failed septic system at 7283 State Rt. 8 with an NSF40 approved enhancement treatment unit designed in the smallest possible footprint to maximize the separation distance from the absorption bed to the lake. The proposed system will require the following variances: proposed absorption bed to house – 20' required, 6.2' proposed, variance of 13.8'; proposed absorption bed to road – 8.8' proposed (not a required variance, noted to show system will maintain separation to road); proposed absorption bed to property line – 10' required, 7.0'+/- proposed, variance of 3.0'+/-; proposed absorption bed to mean high water mark of lake – 100' required, 44.4' proposed, variance of 55.6'; proposed pump tank to mean high water mark of lake – 50' required, 35.7' proposed, variance of 14.3'; proposed enhanced treatment unit to mean high water mark of lake – 50' required, 37' proposed, variance of 13'; proposed enhanced treatment unit to home – 10' required, 6.7' proposed, variance of 3.3'. Supervisor Simpson said ZA Steen indicated to him that he sees no other alternative as this is an extremely tight lot, and the proposal places the system as far from the lake as possible. Councilperson Olson agrees this is as good as it can be.

RESOLUTION #62-2018

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 62 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon, acting in its capacity as the Local Board of Health, considers the application made by Winchip Engineering PC for a septic variance at 7283 State Rt. 8 in Brant Lake complete, and does hereby set a Public Hearing for Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Horicon Community Center.

Ayes: 5 (Olson, Higgins, Hill, Smith, Simpson) Nays: 0

A Motion was made by Councilperson Smith, seconded by Councilperson Olson, to go back into regular session. The Board moved back into regular session at 7:02 PM.

Regular Meeting...

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of February 15 and February 28, 2018 were approved by Motion of Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Hill.

Ayes: 5 (Higgins, Hill, Olson, Smith, Simpson) Nays: 0

Approval of March 15, 2018 Vouchers and Abstracts:

RESOLUTION #63-2018

Councilperson Hill and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 63 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF MARCH ABSTRACTS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the payment of the March 15, 2018 Vouchers and Abstracts as follows:

General Abstract	3	\$ 95,135.07
Highway Abstract	3	\$ 48,599.28

Ayes: 5 (Hill, Smith, Olson, Higgins, Simpson) Nays: 0

Correspondence to the Board...

- APA RE: APA response to Town septic variance for Dwyer
- APA RE: Invitation to attend Agency-approved Local Land Use Program Workshop

Resolutions...

RESOLUTION #64-2018

Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 64 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE POLLING PLACES

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article 4-104 of the New York State Election Law, the Town Board of the Town of Horicon must submit to the Warren County Board of Elections a listing of the polling places in the Town of Horicon in each Election District in which Elections are held, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the following handicapped accessible locations be and are hereby designated as the respective polling places in the Districts as enumerated:

Election District #1	Horicon Community Center
Election District #2	6604 State Rt. 8 Brant Lake, NY 12815

Ayes: 5 (Higgins, Smith, Olson, Hill, Simpson) Nays: 0

RESOLUTION #65-2018

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 65 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ATTENDANCE AT APA LOCAL GOV'T DAY CONFERENCE

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize attendance at the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Day Conference which is being held April 18-19, 2018. The cost is \$66.84 per person, if registered before April 4, 2018, plus reimbursement for travel expenses.

Ayes: 5 (Olson, Higgins, Smith, Hill, Simpson) Nays: 0

RESOLUTION #66-2018

Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 66 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Bookkeeper to make the following fund transfer:

Debit A599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 32,321.69
Credit A6412.4	Special Publicity	\$ 32,321.69

Ayes: 5 (Smith, Olson, Hill, Higgins, Simpson) Nays: 0

RESOLUTION #67-2018

Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 67 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR GRANT PROJECTS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Bookkeeper to make the following Budget Amendment in the General Fund to increase revenues to record receipt of Justice Court grant and Occupancy Tax funds:

Increase A3021	Court Facilities	\$ 2,207.50
Increase A1110.2	Justice Equipment	\$ 2,207.50
Increase A1113	Tax on Hotel Occupancy	\$ 5,000.00

Increase A6412.4 Special Publicity \$ 5,000.00
Ayes: 5 (Higgins, Olson, Hill, Smith, Simpson) Nays: 0

Committee Reports...

-Councilperson Hill said the additional sixteen chairs for the meeting room have been ordered.

-Councilperson Smith said she and Councilperson Olson interviewed Ross Schoembs for the ZBA 2nd Alternate position and would like to recommend him. She said six Boat Steward applications have been received, and interviews will be done March 19th by herself, Rich Nawrot, and Program Supervisor Justice Parker. Councilperson Smith said a company out of Vermont will follow up with Councilperson Hill with a quote on the tennis court repairs. Supervisor Simpson suggested getting a quote from O'Connor as well. Councilperson Smith said the YMCA is adding more programs for the kids and the annual fundraiser is under way.

-Supervisor Simpson said he was contacted by Kathy Bozony regarding a discount opportunity for homeowners who undertake a solar project on their property. He said she needs a letter from the Town in support of the program in order to offer the discount. Supervisor Simpson said he has prepared the letter to send to her. Supervisor Simpson told the Board it appears the proposed PILOT legislation may be defeated because neither the Assembly nor the Senate included it in their budget package.

Old Business...

ZBA Alternate:

RESOLUTION #68-2018

Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 68 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT ZBA ALTERNATE

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby appoint Ross Schoembs to the vacant seat of 2nd ZBA Alternate member to complete an unexpired term which will expire December 31, 2019.

Ayes: 5 (Smith, Higgins, Olson, Hill, Simpson) Nays: 0

Agreement to Expend Highway Monies:

RESOLUTION #69-2018

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 69 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT TO EXPEND HIGHWAY MONIES

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby approve the 2018 Agreement to Expend Highway Monies, submitted by the Highway Superintendent, in the amount of \$293,750.00 for reconstruction work on a 6,250 ft portion of Pease Hill Road.

Ayes: 4 (Olson, Hill, Higgins, Smith, Simpson) Nays: 0

Highway Truck:

RESOLUTION #70-2018

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 70 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY TRUCK

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby approve the purchase of a new truck for the Highway Department at a cost of \$67,337.00.

Ayes: 4 (Olson, Hill, Higgins, Smith, Simpson) Nays: 0

Supervisor Simpson noted the new Highway truck was included in the 2018 Budget.

1881 Union Church: Supervisor Simpson asked if Councilperson Olson had reviewed the construction plans for the Union Church project yet. Councilperson Olson said they look very good so far, but they are quite extensive, therefore he has not yet completed his review.

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Occupancy Tax: Councilperson Smith said she and Councilperson Hill met and reviewed the applications thoroughly three separate times. She said they considered the return to the applicant, the application receipt date, and how the proposed project would benefit both the town and the county. The Board was given the recommended award list for review, and there were no objections or changes.

RESOLUTION #71-2018

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 71 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE OCCUPANCY TAX FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize a total of \$54,480.00 in Occupancy Tax funds, code A6412.4 - Special Publicity, be given to the following as listed:

<u>Group/Individual:</u>	<u>Purpose/Event:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Joel Friedman	Adirondack Marathon – TOH portion	\$ 3,000.00
Rich Nawrot	Beautification – Adk ‘Welcome’ sign	\$ 2,500.00
Brant Lk Bike Park/The Hub	Mountain bike trail project	\$ 9,500.00
Brant Lake Collision	New sign/improvement	\$ 2,500.00
EZ Marine & Storage	Weekend at Bernie’s	\$10,000.00
Fill-Er-Up	New website	\$ 4,000.00
Horicon Fire Ladies Aux.	Pancake Breakfast	\$ 480.00
Horicon Historical Society	2018 Programs	\$ 2,200.00
Horicon Vol Fire Dept.	Horicon Days	\$ 4,000.00
Lazy Moose Garden Market	Town flower boxes	\$ 2,000.00
Lazy Moose Garden Market	Fall Festival	\$ 800.00
Northern Warren Trailblazers	Grooming equipment	\$ 4,500.00
Shaw Hill Tree Farm	Pavilion	\$ 4,000.00
Tri-Lakes Business Alliance	Woofstock Revisited on the Mill Pond	\$ 1,500.00
Wood’s Family Tree Farm	Christmas tree field improvements	\$ 3,500.00

Ayes: 5 (Olson, Smith, Higgins, Hill, Simpson) Nays: 0

Councilperson Smith said award letters will be mailed out Friday, March 16th.

Heintzelman Library Grant: Supervisor Simpson said one bid was received for the Heintzelman Library project. John Donovan said he will get the grant application done to meet the March 26th deadline.

Privilege of the floor...

-Christine Hayes asked if the Memorial Day parade was going to be held in Horicon this year, and said if it is, it should be advertised.

Adjourn... There being no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM by MOTION of Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Olson, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Town Clerk