

**HORICON TOWN BOARD  
MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2016 BUDGET**

**OCTOBER 29, 2015  
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: Tom Johansen, Thad and Jane Smith, Rich and Joanne Nawrot, Vince Blando, Anne Pieper, and HS Paul Smith.

Supervisor Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and opened the Public Hearing for the 2016 Budget.

Rich Nawrot asked about the Schroon Lake Park District budget amount. Supervisor Simpson explained the line item.

Vince Blando spoke in favor of continuing to budget monies for Schroon Lake milfoil control from year to year. Supervisor Simpson noted the Board plans on continuing this in the future.

There was brief discussion on the removal of the Black Fly program from the Budget. It was noted that it is costly for what is done. Supervisor Simpson pointed out that the Town would have to go over the tax cap to implement the Black Fly program. He said he believes it is about prioritizing, and he noted several upcoming expenditures the Town is facing that must come first. The Board agreed not to include the program in the Budget.

Supervisor Simpson this Budget has an overall increase of one percent.

There being no further comments, Councilperson Olson made a Motion, seconded by Councilperson Hill, to close the Public Hearing. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:25 PM.

**RESOLUTION #149-2015**

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 149 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2016 HORICON BUDGET**

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on October 29, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Horicon Community Center on the Preliminary Budget for the year 2016, AND  
WHEREAS, comments were invited from the public either for or against said budget, NOW,  
THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Preliminary Budget will be the adopted Budget for 2016, with the General Fund Appropriations of \$1,839,389.00 less anticipated revenues of \$1,654,817.00 and an unexpended balance of \$184,572.00 leaving an amount to be raised by taxes of \$0.00. Total Highway Fund Appropriations of \$1,406,571.00 less anticipated revenues of \$851,751.00 and an unexpended balance of \$0.00 leaving an amount to be raised by taxes of \$554,820.00 and a total budget of \$3,245,960.00, BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the amount for the Horicon Fire District is \$217,973.00 to be raised by taxes and the Schroon Lake Park District is \$5,938.00.

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

**RESOLUTION #150-2015**

Councilperson Hill and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 150 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH WARREN COUNTY FOR ROADWAY  
MAINTENANCE**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize Supervisor Simpson to sign the new contract with Warren County for roadway maintenance for 2016, which includes a new category for equipment upgrade, according to the 2016 Schedule A Highway Payment Rate. Compensation to the Town of Horicon from Warren County will be in the amount of \$223,852.95.

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

**Adjourn...**

There being no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM by MOTION of Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Hill, al in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Town Clerk