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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Horicon hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

<b>Standard Name &amp; Title</b>	<b>Work Day</b>	<b>Term Begin/Ends</b>	<b>Participates in Employer's Time Keeping System</b>	<b>Days/Mo.</b>
Matthew Simpson (Supervisor)	8	1/1/16-12/31/17	No	18.79
Darian Granger (Highway Supt.)	8	1/1/17-12/31/17	No	34.15

Ayes: 4 (Olson, Higgins, Hill, Simpson) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Smith)

**RESOLUTION #63-2017**

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

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISHING DERBY AND POSTING OF THE MILL POND**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize radio coverage to advertise the annual fishing derby at the Mill Pond in Brant Lake at a cost not to exceed \$450.00. The Board further authorizes \$350.00 be given to the Chestertown Conservation Club to be used for prizes for the fishing derby, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the posting of "NO FISHING" signs from the time the Mill Pond is stocked until the day of the derby which will be Saturday, May 20, 2017.

Ayes: 4 (Olson, Hill, Higgins, Simpson) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Smith)

***Committee Reports...***

-Supervisor Simpson noted that Councilperson Smith has advised him the Heintzelman Library has been accepted for inclusion on the National Registry. There was brief discussion on the necessary building repairs, and Councilperson Olson will meet with HS Granger next week to go over the work to be done.

-Councilperson Olson said he, ZA Steen, and ZBA member Pat Farrell attended the Septic Summit that was recently held and they found it very informative. He said he met with John Donovan and expressed his concerns with the plans for the 1881 Union Church. He said John Donovan is going to address those concerns with the architect.

-Councilperson Hill said the materials are here for the new cemetery gate that is to be installed at the Brant Lake Cemetery. Supervisor Simpson asked the Board for approval to pay for this out of perpetual care.

**RESOLUTION #64-2017**

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

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PERPETUAL CARE EXPENDITURE**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize payment of the Brant Lake Cemetery gate materials to be made from the perpetual care account.

Ayes: 4 (Hill, Higgins, Olson, Simpson) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Smith)

-Councilperson Hill said Kevin Kilcullen will be starting back on Beautification/Cemeteries on April 17<sup>th</sup>. He asked if Supervisor Simpson has heard anything on the Adirondack Schoolhouse lease. Supervisor Simpson said the lease has expired so the Town will not expend any money on it. The Fire Department is trying to decide what to do with it. Thad Smith, HVFD, said the Fire Department is thinking of applying for grants to fix the building up for community use. Supervisor Simpson will contact Senator Betty Little's office, on behalf of the Horicon Fire Department, to see what grants are available.

***Old Business...***

***Boat Steward Supervisor/Adk Watershed Institute:*** Supervisor Simpson explained Paul Smith's College Adirondack Watershed Institute has proposed a contract to provide supervision for the Brant Lake and Schroon Lake Boat Steward programs for \$7,500.00 for the 2017 season. He noted this can be done with no budget impact due to the 75% reimbursement through the grant that covers the Boat Stewards.

**RESOLUTION #65-2017**

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

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT FOR STEWARD PROGRAM SUPERVISION**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize Supervisor Simpson to sign the contract with Paul Smith's College Adirondack Watershed Institute for supervision of the Boat Launch Steward program for the 2017 season. PSCAWI will bill the Town of Horicon \$7,500.00 for this service.

Ayes: 4 (Olson, Hill, Higgins, Simpson) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Smith)

***Agreement to Expend Highway Funds:***

**RESOLUTION #66-2017**

Councilperson Hill and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 66 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 2017 Agreement to Expend Highway Monies submitted by the Highway Superintendent in the amount of \$239,302.90.  
Ayes: 4 (Hill, Olson, Higgins, Simpson) Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Smith)

***New Business...***

Occupancy Tax Application from Jim & Elizabeth Morgan: Supervisor Simpson explained that Jim and Elizabeth Morgan have submitted an Occupancy Tax application for an Adirondack Chili Festival. Supervisor Simpson said he spoke to Town Counselor Mark Schachner on the liability to the Town. Counselor Schachner said he sees no issue with this, and if the Town decides to approve the funds he will draw up a contract with the necessary insurance requirements. Supervisor Simpson told the applicants about the insurance requirements, so the Board will wait to hear from them.

***Privilege of the Floor...***

There were no comments.

**Adjourn...** There being no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM by MOTION of Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Town Clerk