

**HORICON TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD & PUBLIC HEARING**

**JUNE 15, 2017
7:00 PM**

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

Also: ZA Jim Steen, Zach Monroe, Maureen Diaz, Assessor Christine Hayes, HS Darian Granger, Teri Schuerlein, Gary Frenz, Bob Smith, Thad and Jane Smith, Pat Farrell, Bill McGhie, Brian Bearor, Jim and Elizabeth Morgan, Scott Campbell, and Skip Ostrander.

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

Local Board of Health:

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

Supervisor Simpson opened the Public Hearing for the proposed septic variance for 8 Red Wing Rd in Adirondack. Councilperson Hill said between the store and the lake there are sixteen wells and sixteen septic so they want to be very careful what they do. Supervisor Simpson noted the proposed septic is an improvement over what is currently there. There were no further comments. Supervisor Simpson left the Public Hearing open for a while longer.

Septic Request for 211 East Shore Dr / Centofante:

The Board had no questions and deemed the application complete.

RESOLUTION #79-2017

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 79 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 Harold Berger, P.E. for a septic variance at 211 East Shore Drive in Adirondack complete, and does hereby set a Public Hearing for Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Horicon Community Center.

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

Septic Request for 6 N. Sand Beach Way / Clyne:

Zack Monroe, Winchip Engineering, explained the proposed system and answered questions from the Board. The Board will refer the septic request to Cedarwood Engineering.

RESOLUTION #80-2017

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 80 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 for a septic variance at 6 N. Sand Beach Way in Brant Lake complete, and does hereby set a Public Hearing for Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Horicon Community Center pending review by Cedarwood Engineering.

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

There being no further comments from the Public Hearing, motion was made by Councilperson Smith, seconded by Councilperson Olson, to close the public hearing at 7:20 pm.

RESOLUTION #81-2017

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 81 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO GRANT VARIANCE FOR AN ALTERNATIVE SEPTIC SYSTEM AT 8 RED WING RD

RESOLVED, that the Horicon Town Board acting as Local Board of Health, based on the receipt of a set of stamped plans from Tom LaBombard (project #171673), and the \$100.00 variance fee, does hereby grant a variance for an alternative septic system at 8 Red Wing Rd, Adirondack, NY (Tax Map #20.10-1-10.11) because the strict application of the minimum setback requirements, or the minimum lot size requirement, would result in a specified practical difficulty to the applicant. Further, the alternative proposed would not be materially detrimental to the purpose of this regulation, or to the property or natural resources in the area in or near the site of the proposed individual sewage disposal system, or otherwise conflict with the description, purpose, or the objectives of any plan or policy of the Town, and that the alternative proposed is the minimum variance which would alleviate the specified practical difficulty as found by the Board to affect the applicant.

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

A Motion was made by Councilperson Higgins, seconded by Councilperson Olson, to go back into regular session. The Board moved back into **regular session** at 7:25 PM.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of May 18, 2017 were approved by Motion of Councilperson Olson Councilperson Hill.

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

Approval of June 15, 2017 Vouchers and Abstracts:

RESOLUTION #82-2017

Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 82 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF JUNE ABSTRACTS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the payment of the June 15, 2017 Vouchers and Abstracts as follows:

General Abstract	6	\$ 35,530.02
Highway Abstract	6	\$ 78,611.52
Adk Union Church Project	6	\$ 6,590.00

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

Correspondence to the Board...

- ORPS RE: Notice of Tentative 2017 State Equalization Rate
- YMCA RE: Request for gift to Annual Campaign
- HHH Foundation RE: Request to change Landfill hours on July 30th for 5K race
- Jackie Freedman RE: Request to re-instate the BTI program
- Elna & Jerry Meader RE: Request to re-instate the BTI program
- Betty & Terry Lynch RE: Request to re-instate the BTI program

New Business...

YMCA/Brian Bearor: Brian Bearor, Director, YMCA and Adirondack Outreach Center, updated the Board on the progress at the Adirondack Outreach Center. He spoke about the programs they offer as well as what they are looking to offer in the future. Mr. Bearor explained this is a mission driven program center so they do need community support to help them. He noted the goal this year is to raise \$120,000 for the Center. He said they anticipate \$20,000 to come from grants the other \$100,000 to come from the community. Mr. Bearor asked the Board if they would consider supporting the Center in their fundraising campaign.

RESOLUTION #83-2017

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 83 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ADIRONDACK OUTREACH CENTER

RESOLVED, that the Horicon Town Board does hereby authorize support in the amount of \$5,001.00 for the YMCA Adirondack Outreach Center. Funds are to be taken from A1990.4 (Contingency).

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

RESOLUTION #84-2017

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 84 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SCRAP METAL REMOVAL

RESOLVED, that the Horicon Town Board does hereby Roger Howe to remove the scrap metal from the Landfill and Highway Department.

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

RESOLUTION #85-2017

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 85 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE LANDFILL SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR 4TH OF JULY

RESOLVED, that the Horicon Town Board does hereby authorize the Landfill employees to work on Wednesday, July 5, 2017 since the Landfill will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th.

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

Resolutions...

RESOLUTION #86-2017

Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 86 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE OF TRANSFER FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Horicon Town Board does hereby authorize the Bookkeeper to make the following fund transfers:

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
General:		
8090.4 (Insect-Contr)	8090.2 (Insect-Equip)	\$ 120.00
1990.4 (Conting)	1110.4 (Just-Contr)	\$ 100.00
Highway:		
5148.1 (SvcsOther-Contr)	5142.41 (SnowRmv-Contr)	\$ 19,490.00

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

RESOLUTION #87-2017

Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 87 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT WARREN COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, Town of Horicon, with the assistance Tetrattech, has gathered information and prepared the Warren County Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, Town of Horicon is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, Town of Horicon has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon adopts the Warren County Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

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

RESOLUTION #88-2017

Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 88 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE HIGHWAY TRUCK AS SURPLUS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby declare the old 2005 Ford Highway Pickup as surplus equipment and authorizes that it may be advertised and sold "as is".

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

RESOLUTION #89-2017

Supervisor Simpson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 89 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE MOWERS AS SURPLUS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby declare the following mowers as surplus equipment and authorizes that they may be advertised and sold "as is". They are as follows:

- 2 – RX300 John Deere mowers (one with bagger)
- 1 – 21" Sears mower
- 1 – Cub tractor (no deck)

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

RESOLUTION #90-2017

Councilperson Hill and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 90 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO HIRE LIFEGUARDS FOR SUMMER

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby hire Tim O'Neil as lifeguard for the Adirondack beach for the 2017 summer season at a rate of \$13.40 per hour for a thirty-hour week. The Chester Horicon Youth Commission will schedule the lifeguards for the Brant Lake beach on a rotating schedule at a rate of \$13.40 per hour. The beach will be open 11am - 5pm Monday through Thursday and 11am-6pm Friday through Sunday.

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

RESOLUTION #91-2017

Councilperson Hill and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 91 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO MINDY CONWAY

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize payment to Mindy Conway in the amount of \$500.00 for her work in scheduling the lifeguards for the Brant Lake beach. Payment is to come from Special Publicity Fund (A6412.4).

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

RESOLUTION #92-2017

Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 92 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF TANNERY RD. AND LANDFILL RD.

WHEREAS, on Sunday, July 30, 2017 Hudson Headwaters will hold the Care for Kids 5K race, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon, in consideration of the safety of the participants of the 5K Race, does hereby authorize the closing of Tannery Road and Landfill Road between 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM on Sunday, July 30, 2017.

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

RESOLUTION #93-2017

Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 93 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AD IN SOUTHERN ADIRONDACKS GUIDE

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize two full page ads to be run in the Southern Adirondacks Guide to the First Wilderness Heritage Corridor (Summer 2017-Spring 2018) at a cost of \$945.00 to come out of Occupancy Tax funds (A6412.4). The Town will be reimbursed for half the cost of the ad through a grant with Warren County.

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

Committee Reports...

-Gary Frenz, NWEMS, told the Board the Squad had eight calls, seven of which they made, and they are looking for volunteers.

-Councilperson Smith noted the lifeguard equipment will be stored in the garage behind the Community Center from now on. She spoke with Daryll Clute and he anticipates, weather permitting, having the stone work on the Heintzelman done in about a week.

Old Business...

Culvert – Ernest Smith Rd: Supervisor Simpson and the Board discussed the situation with the culverts on Ernest Smith Rd. Supervisor Simpson said it will cost approximately \$500,000 to put in the bridge that will be required. He said he talked with Senator Little's office who said there will be a grant available this fall that would provide 100% funding, but there is no guarantee the Town will get the grant. HS Darian Granger said he has a quote of \$76,600 for a 14' by 60' temporary bridge rated for 95,000 lbs., and that is the installed price. The Board agreed to move forward with installing the temporary bridge to give them time to apply for the grant for a permanent bridge.

Occ Tax application for Chili Fest - James and Elizabeth Morgan: James and Elizabeth Morgan gave a power point presentation for their proposed Chili Fest. They have a revised Occ Tax application for approximately \$8,500 which they will submit before the next meeting.

Website Proposal from Paradox Consulting Group

RESOLUTION #94-2017

Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 94 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PARADOX CONSULTING TO UPDATE TOWN WEBSITE

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize Paradox Consulting Group to update the Town's website at an estimated cost of \$5-6,000.

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

Watering Tub: Supervisor Simpson said he would like to talk with Craig House to see what can be done with the spring house. Councilperson Hill suggested talking with Cedarwood Engineering. Supervisor Simpson said he will talk with Cedarwood to come up with a plan.

1881 Union Church: Supervisor Simpson said he has received the grant disbursement agreement which he signed and forwarded to Counselor Schachner for the opinion letter.

Grasshopper Hill Rd: Supervisor Simpson said this road was declared Qualified Abandoned and there is a structure in the road. He needs to know if the Board wants to send a letter to the property owner asking them to move the structure, or just leave it alone and see if there is room for the proposed hiking trail around it. After much discussion, it was decided Counselor Schachner should send a letter to the homeowner stating the road that runs through their property is a Qualified Abandoned Rd and their structure is in the roadway.

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HVFD LOSAP: Supervisor Simpson said he received a letter from GF National Bank to see if the investment objective of the Town needed to be changed. The Board felt it is fine the way it is.

Privilege of the Floor...

-Jane Smith noted the Boat Stewards are doing a great job.

Adjourn... There being no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM by MOTION of Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Smith, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Town Clerk