

**HORICON TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD**

**MAY 17, 2011
7:00 PM**

Present at meeting	Ralph Bentley	Supervisor
	Frank Hill	Councilman
	Kenneth Higgins	Councilman
	Robert Olson	Councilman
	Joseph Dooris	Councilman
Krista Wood	Town Clerk	

Also: HS Paul Smith, Gordy Hayes, Tom Johansen, Harvey Leidy, Matt Simpson, Bruce Meade, Marty Meade, Gary Frenz, Bill McGhie, Jane Smith, Harry Katsch, Gary McMeekin, Jim Grogg, Sandy Smith, Al LaFountain, Jason Hill, June Maxam, Gary Feddes, Abe Gadjoo, John Donovan, Roger Houck, and others.

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

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of April 21st and May 10th, 2011 were approved by Motion of Messrs. Olson and Hill, all Ayes.

Approval of Abstracts: RESOLUTION #79-2011

Messrs. Olson and Hill introduced Res. No. 79 and moved its adoption, all Ayes:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF ABSTRACTS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the payment of the May 2011 Vouchers and Abstracts as follows:

General Vouchers	# 111 – 137	\$ 26,734.59
Highway Vouchers	# 76 - 91	\$ 18,244.95
General Abstracts	12 & 13	\$ 75,474.76
Highway Abstracts	12 & 13	\$ 22,177.63

Correspondence to the Board:

- Office or Real Property RE: Notice of Tentative Equalization Rate-2011 Assessment Roll
- Paul Maniacek, IAO RE: 2012 Re-assessment
- Wash. Co. Loc Dev Corp RE: Notice of Training
- Adirondack Day Camp RE: Request to use Pavilion for summer program

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION #80-2011

Messrs. Hill and Higgins introduced Res. No. 80 and moved its adoption, all Ayes:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CABLE LINE EXTENSION ON BEAVER POND ROAD

WHEREAS, the Town of Horicon receives revenue from a Franchise Agreement with Time Warner Cable to be used by the Town for line extension of cable services, and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to use funds when they become available to provide cable on Beaver Pond Road, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the release of revenue from the line extension fund when it becomes available to be used for said line extensions.

Old Business:

Fuel and Propane Bids: The Clerk advertised for bids for heating fuel and propane for 2012. One bid was submitted and was publicly opened at 1:00 PM on May 17, 2011. The Board

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discussed the option of purchasing through the County and State contracts, but decided to go with the bid received based on potential price increases. The following Resolution was made:

RESOLUTION #81-2011

Messrs. Dooris and Hill introduced Res. No. 81 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AWARD BIDS FOR FUEL AND PROPANE FOR 2012

WHEREAS, the Town Board advertised for bids for heating oil and kerosene for Town buildings and also for propane for the Highway Garage, AND

WHEREAS, one bid was received and opened on May 17, 2011 at 1:00 PM, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby award the bids as follows:

Fuel Oil and Kerosene	Mountain Petroleum	.35 cents over rack
Propane	Mountain Petroleum	.35 cents over rack

Roof repairs to recycling building at Landfill: Bids were requested from several sources and two were received. Pine Hill Construction withdrew their bid at the meeting. The following Resolution was made:

RESOLUTION #82-2011

Messrs. Olson and Higgins introduced Res. No. 82 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ROOF REPAIRS TO RECYCLING BUILDING

WHEREAS, the roof of the Recycling Building at the Landfill was damaged during this past winter and bids were sought from three different contractors for repairs to the roof, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Horicon Town Board does hereby accept the bid submitted by Eric & Eric and further authorizes the repairs to the roof of the Recycling Building as per their bid.

Board of Ethics applications: Councilman Dooris stated that he and Councilman Olson have reviewed the applications and intend to interview each applicant within the next month and make their recommendation to the Board at the June meeting. They are also working on a proposed amendment to the Code of Ethics to allow for an alternate seat on the Board of Ethics as well as term limits.

Pumpkin Hollow Road: Supervisor Bentley told the Board that Town Counsel has advised him that the letters requesting easements have been sent to the landowners. Lengthy discussion ensued with questions and concerns from the audience regarding the cost of reopening the road. Councilman Higgins clarified that only the easements are being pursued at this point; if and when the easements are obtained the Board will research the cost of re-opening the road before making a final decision on whether or not to reopen the road. Councilman Dooris pointed out that no money has been encumbered for improvements to the road so the cost will ultimately make the determination on whether or not the road is re-opened.

Pavilion Dedication: The Board discussed the formal dedication of the Pavilion.

RESOLUTION #83-2011

Messrs. Dooris and Olson introduced Res. No. 83 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO ADVERTISE FORMAL DEDICATION OF PAVILION

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the Clerk to advertise the formal dedication of the William Bennett Pavilion to be held Monday,

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May 30, 2011 at 11:30 am at the Pavilion behind the Community Center.

New Business:

Adirondack Day Camp request to use Pavilion and Community Center: Al LaFountain, Adirondack Day Camp, addressed the Board regarding their request to use the Pavilion for an enrichment program for children. Councilman Olson expressed concern about the liability and insurance issues that this presents. The Board will refer this to Town Counsel for advisement and get back to the LaFountain's as soon as possible with an answer.

Tires for Loader at Landfill: The Landfill loader needs new tires and a quote has been obtained for \$8,504.00 plus installation.

RESOLUTION #84-2011

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

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF TIRES FOR LOADER

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the purchase of tires for the loader at the Landfill. The cost of the tires, quoted at \$8,504.00, plus installation is not to exceed \$10,500.00.

Zoning Office: Zoning Administrator McMeekin presented a proposed draft for Camp Wood regulations and asked the Board for feedback. There was some discussion on it. Councilman Dooris made a Motion to table this until the next meeting, seconded by Councilman Olson, all in favor. ZA McMeekin updated the Board on the status of the testing of the Brownell septic. He advised the Board that there is also an issue with a septic on Valentine Pond Rd. The Board discussed whether or not they should address this as the Town Board of Health or if it should be turned over to Warren County. The Board will refer to Town Counsel for advisement. Councilman Olson will meet with ZA McMeekin to inspect the site.

Schroon Lake Milfoil Committee:

RESOLUTION #85-2011

Messrs. Higgins and Olson introduced Res. No. 85 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby appoint Bill McGhie and Jane Smith to the Schroon Lake Milfoil Committee.

Privilege of the Floor

-Bill McGhie thanked Councilman Olson for attending the Schroon Lake Management Plan Committee meeting.

-Harvey Leidy asked the Board if they had any interest in pursuing the Community Garden idea that he had proposed. It was suggested that Harvey might want to poll people at Horicon Day to see what kind of interest there would be in this type of project.

Adjourn... There being no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM by MOTION of Messrs. Olson and Dooris, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Town Clerk