

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

**NOVEMBER 17, 2016  
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, Skip Ostrander, Dan Freebern, John Donovan, Gary Frenz, Bill McGhie, Thad and Jane Smith, Brian Bearor, Tammy Laguerre, and Bob Smith.

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

**LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH...**

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

Public Hearing #1(continuation from 10-20-16 meeting) – Septic Variance for 3573 East Schroon River Rd / tax map #70.15-1-15 / McDonald: Supervisor Simpson explained that the current application for the septic variance has been withdrawn. Motion made by Councilperson Smith, seconded by Councilperson Olson, to close the public hearing.

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

**Approval of Minutes...** Minutes of October 20 and November 3, 2016 were approved by Motion of Councilperson Higgins and Councilperson Hill.

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

**Approval of November 2016 Vouchers and Abstracts...**

**RESOLUTION #161-2016**

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 161 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF NOVEMBER 2016 ABSTRACTS**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the payment of the November 17, 2016 Vouchers and Abstracts as follows:

General Abstract	11	\$ 50,881.38
Highway Abstract	11	\$ 36,763.69
Brant Lake Upper Dam	11	\$ 181,392.42

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

**Correspondence to the Board...**

- Assoc. of Towns RE: 2017 Training School & Annual Meeting Information
- Laberge Group RE: Monthly report on Upper Dam remediation project
- APA RE: Notice of Public Hearing regarding access to Agency records
- APA RE: Notice of Public Hearing regarding Adk Park State land classification proposal

**Resolutions...**

**RESOLUTION #162-2016**

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Smith introduced Res. No. 162 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2017 CONTRACTS**

WHEREAS, monies have been appropriated in the 2017 Budget for contracts in the following amounts:

Emergency Service Provider	\$ 59,000.00
Horicon Historical Society	\$ 500.00
Senior Mini-Bus	\$ 5,120.00
North Warren Chamber of Commerce	\$ 8,000.00
Horicon Free Library	\$ 1,000.00
Horicon Senior Citizens	\$ 1,000.00
Chester-Horicon Health Center	\$ 5,000.00
Snowmobile Club	\$ 3,500.00
Horicon Volunteer Fire Company	\$189,000.00
Warren County Soil & Water	\$ 20,000.00
Warren County Soil & Water	\$ 12,750.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a Notice of Public Hearing will be published stating that a hearing on the above named contracts will be held on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Horicon Community Center.

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

**RESOLUTION #163-2016**

Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 163 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

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

**Highway:**

5110.1 (GenRpr-Pers.)	5110.11 (GenRpr-Pers o/t)	\$ 3,192.00
5130.1 (Mach-Pers.)	5130.11 (Mach-Pers o/t)	\$ 83.44

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

**RESOLUTION #164-2016**

Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 164 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize Supervisor Simpson to sign the agreement with Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board for 2017 and agrees to pay the Review Board \$300 to represent the interests of the local government of the Adirondacks.

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

**YMCA Outreach Center:** Brian Bearor and Tammy Laguerre, from the YMCA Outreach Center, were in attendance to update the Board on the exciting things that are happening at the Center and to talk about the programs they are developing.

**Committee Reports...**

-Gary Frenz reported to the Board on the NWEMS. He said they are currently in the process of reorganizing and hope to be ready with that by the first of the year.

-Councilperson Sylvia Smith said another Occupancy Tax application has come in, and noted there will be a meeting to prioritize the applications for the upcoming year. She listed all of the projects that have been completed in the Town this year. She explained that the playground project is complete, although the playground had to be moved to meet the specifications of the project. She will be meeting with the individuals from the County around the first week of December regarding the Heintzelman Library. She has been asked to note the Adirondack Shindig will be held on August 12, 2017. Lastly, Councilperson Smith said she and Councilperson Olson interviewed five applicants for the Landfill position and wish to recommend Steve Smith for the job.

-Supervisor Simpson said a light is needed for the playground and possibly a security camera. On the Heintzelman Library he noted that he is still waiting on the plans from Cedarwood Engineering. Lastly, he said the upper dam repair is complete, the bridge is complete, and supposedly the lower dam has been repaired.

-Councilperson Olson said the new Zoning Law has been distributed to the members of the Zoning and Planning Boards and it is now online as well. He feels the current price of \$10 per copy for the Zoning Law is too low and suggested raising the price. There was brief discussion on what the price should be.

**RESOLUTION #165-2016**

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Higgins introduced Res. No. 165 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO INCREASE PRICE FOR PRINTED COPY OF ZONING LAW**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby increase the price for a printed copy of the Horicon Zoning Law to \$20.00 per copy for individuals and businesses that wish to purchase a copy.

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

Lastly, Councilperson Olson addressed the issue of certain members of the Zoning and Planning Boards not regularly attending meetings. There was discussion on how to handle this matter. Supervisor Simpson will talk with Counselor Schachner because he believes Town Law may dictate what action the Town Board can take.

**Old Business...**

**1881 Union Church:** Work is to begin on the 1881 Union Church foundation the day after Thanksgiving.

**Landfill Opening:**

**RESOLUTION #166-2016**

Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Olson introduced Res. No. 166 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO HIRE STEVEN SMITH**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby hire Steven Smith to work at the Horicon Landfill thirty two hours a week at a pay rate of \$13.50 per hour. Mr. Smith will start November 26, 2016 and will be on a six month probationary period.

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

**New Business...**

**Amend Landfill fee schedule:** Supervisor Simpson explained to the Board that the fee schedule at the Landfill should be updated. There was brief discussion on the various fees.

**RESOLUTION #167-2016**

Councilperson Olson and Councilperson Hill introduced Res. No. 167 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND HORICON LANDFILL FEE SCHEDULE**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby amend the Horicon Landfill fee schedule as follows: Trash – \$0.16 cents per lb, C&D - \$30.00 per yard, carpet – \$0.10 per sq. ft or weighed at \$0.16 cents per lb, coffee table – \$0.16 cents per lb, couch - \$15.00 each, sleeper couch (w/metal frame) - \$20.00 each, recliner/stuffed chair - \$15.00 each, wood chair - \$0.16 cents per lb, mattress - \$10.00 each, box spring - \$5.00 each, refrigerator/freezer/AC - \$20.00 each, TV - \$0.25 cents per lb, toilet - \$6.00 each, vacuum - \$0.25 cents per lb, boat - \$5.00 per sq. ft, tires - \$0.16 per lb.

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

*Alon Abare:* Supervisor Simpson explained the recent circumstances surrounding injuries sustained by Alon Abare and the critical part her children played in saving her life. He said the Board would like to make the following Resolution to recognize them.

**RESOLUTION #168-2016**

The Entire Horicon Town Board introduced Res. No. 168 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF TROY MELECCI-BAKER, LOGAN MELECCI-BAKER, SAMUEL ABARE, & JOSHUA ABARE FOR THEIR HEROIC ACTIONS**

Whereas, Alon Abare, mother of Troy, Logan, Samuel and Joshua, while checking under the hood of her car, suffered a severe and life threatening injury, and

Whereas, Alon’s children remained calm and promptly responded to their mother’s emergency situation by calling 911 while also working quickly to do what they could to remove her from harms way, and

Whereas, thanks to the extraordinary courage and mature actions of Troy, Logan, Samuel and Joshua on October 10, 2016, when they took action and freed their mother from the radiator fan, they saved their mother, Alon Abare, from certain death and she will thankfully survive her injuries, and

Whereas, the Horicon Town Board feels it is fitting and proper to recognize and commend these siblings for their heroic actions in saving the life of their mother, and to convey to them the highest respect and admiration, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby wish to recognize and commend Troy Melecci-Baker, Logan Melecci-Baker, Samuel Abare, and Joshua Abare for their heroic actions.

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

-Dan Freebern suggested the Board consider having a free item day at the Landfill.

***Adjourn...*** There being no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM by MOTION of Councilperson Smith and Councilperson Higgins, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Town Clerk