

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga Town Board Meeting held on November 9, 2017
commencing at 6:00 p.m. with Public Hearings regarding
Solar and the 2018 Town Budget**

Present: Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Fred Hunsdon, Councilman
Wayne Taylor, Councilman
Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman
Dave Woods, Councilman
Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Others: Dick Holroyd, Trish Stonitsch, Joelle Stonitsch, Jim Major, Joe Vilardo, Mark & Laura Wright, Chief LaVallie, Matt Watts, Ray Burroughs, John & Rita Burroughs, Mr. & Mrs. Handy, Sherry, Sawyer & Vinnie Veneto, Kris Stonitsch, Tom Burroughs, Tiffany Staunches, Gladys & Sue Cross, Joyce Cooper, Rich Stonitsch, Francis & Linda Lamb, Cheryl Mitchell and others.

Supervisor Giordano opened the meeting with the Reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Giordano presented a Proclamation to the Burroughs family honoring Steve Burroughs.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017

- WHEREAS Steven H. Burroughs was a Ticonderoga Graduate, Class of 1986
- WHEREAS Steven H. Burroughs served in the United States Navy and Vermont Army National Guard
- WHEREAS Steven H. Burroughs served in combat with the Vermont Army National Guard in Iraq
- WHEREAS Steven H. Burroughs was the recipient of several awards, including the Purple Heart for injury in combat
- WHEREAS Steven H. Burroughs was a member and past Assistant Chief of the Ticonderoga Fire Company
- WHEREAS Steven H. Burroughs was a native of Ticonderoga, NY before his passing on May 25, 2017

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joseph M. Giordano, Supervisor of the Town of Ticonderoga, do hereby call upon the citizens of Ticonderoga to join with me and the Town Board in extending our appreciation and admiration to Steven H. Burroughs for his service to our nation and our community.

*SIGNED BY MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY
JOSEPH M. GIORDANO, SUPERVISOR*

TONYA THOMPSON- TOWN CLERK

DORCEY CRAMMOND, COUNCILWOMAN
FRED HUNSDON, SR, COUNCILMAN

WAYNE TAYLOR, COUNCILMAN
DAVE WOODS, COUNCILMAN

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Solar

Supervisor Giordano explained that this Public Hearing was initiated back in the spring time. We have worked with a number of different templates from other towns. We closed the hearing once in anticipation of adopting it and then we re-opened it because some concerns were brought up regarding commercial installations. There has been a lot of discussion regarding this and from his perspective the Town Board obviously has an authority to do lots of things in town, but when it comes to this solar law or any law that we try to pass, especially something that has to jive and merge well with our zoning, this one doesn't seem to do so well. There are a number of different considerations to take into account from residential and small commercials to large commercials and being those particular types of solar you might generate power just for your residence or small business versus generating power for a wider spread community and in talking with our attorney and a number of other people, it seems very challenging for the town to put forward some ordinance that would be satisfactory and all inclusive of what it should encounter to meld well with out zoning. The concerns brought up last month, specifically about the bonding is a very adequate need to have, but there was also another comment on where should these large commercial installations be placed and while it may be easy for the town to decide residential installations, again a lot of this determination will fall on our code enforcement officer with not a lot of guidance from the zoning and site plan to provide that officer with what to do. It gets even more problematic when it comes to commercial. It is of his opinion that the town should not adopt anything tonight or the near future, but to go back to the foundation of the zoning. This is a very good case in which it doesn't bond very well with our zoning. The comments that were brought up at the last meeting about where it should be, that points back to our Comprehensive Plan that the Town has and that Plan is the foundation in which everything should be done, the zoning comes from that and without some connection between zoning and the Comprehensive Plan anything we pass here is a stand alone law and is really arbitrary for us to be making these kinds of decisions without having any public input that sets the objectives and long term views of what they see for the town. So after a lot of consideration and conversation, it is of his opinion that the Town Board make this a priority of 2018 from the very beginning and move it through that process.

Joe Vilardo discussed the bonding of a company, maybe a certain size of acreage, commercial instead of residential, for the clean up and removal, not astronomical but something reasonable for the companies that are responsible for cleaning this up. You can get an insurance bond or even a CD bond and have it in the bank for when you need it.

Supervisor Giordano agreed that the solar companies themselves noted that bonding is acceptable. The thing that struck him from the last conversation was the view shed. These commercial companies really need to have an open discussion on how their businesses work, they need to hold informational meetings and explain. We have such a pristine area here and there were concerns raised about being able to see the project.

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There are good concerns that have been brought up and the thoughts are right on. We need to have a better dialogue.

Laura Wright expressed that with the winter months coming up, that would be the best time to have these kind of FYI meetings and then maybe in the spring we would be ready to make decisions about it. She would recommend that.

Councilman Taylor asked what would be the status of the projects that are already started or are potentially starting.

Supervisor Giordano would think that they would be suspended, maybe a moratorium should be put out, but obviously the town board would be actively working on trying to adopt some formal resolution to address all concerns. As the Town Board finishes up 2017 and enters into 2018, we have a lot of massive projects, but we will have to prioritize what our objectives will be next year and the year after. Certainly water and sewer are where our energies will be, but this will need to be put in that list. Certainly zoning is one of those things that require a little bit more of an educational process to it because it is not just as simple as saying pass this law and we are all good to go, we need to do a better service to the community and educate them as well as ourselves to have a proper foundation to move forward and when these issues do come up, we will have something to address them.

Councilman Taylor asked if we knew how many projects there are right now.

Supervisor Giordano does not know off the top of his head.

Matthew Fuller mentioned that there are a couple that have come in front of the Planning Board, but they were really informal sessions because Mr. Ball had already determined as the law exists that they are not an allowed use. They will need a Use Variance which we all know is very hard to get, so as it sits - the determination is on-site, residential is an accessory use under the Town's current zoning so those would be an allowed use. It is off-site that(interruption).

Public Hearing was closed at 6:15 p.m.

2018 Preliminary Budget

Supervisor Giordano explained that the Tentative Budget of "wish lists" came in at about 5% over the 2017 tax levy. Obviously, this Town Board does not wish to override the tax cap of 1.84%, so the board spent the better part of six or seven workshops going through line by line, budget by budget, every department account to bring us under that tax cap which is what you see before you. There are a few summation errors that were found and we will correct those, but not tonight because there is one other item that needs to be updated from this with regards to the Office of the State Comptroller and their tax cap preliminary information. As it stands right now the Town will be moving to adopt the

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budget next week at a determined date and we will be under the tax cap. Also, the water and sewer rates will remain unchanged from 2017 to 2018.

Public Hearing closed at 6:20 p.m. with no further comment.

Public Participation

Dick Holroyd asked that since the Town is now committed to using strictly ground water, do you plan to give up the permits to Lake George and Gooseneck water systems.

Supervisor Giordano assured Mr. Holroyd that the Town has no interest in giving those up.

Mr. Holroyd asked if the Town would ever give them up without having a public hearing or referendum.

Supervisor Giordano agreed that if this every came to pass that the permits were to be revoked or said that they would be taken away that there is a process that we would follow.

Mr. Holroyd asked at this time is any action being taken by the Town against the two dismissed police officers?

Supervisor Giordano stated that there is on one.

Jim Major would like to Thank our police department, they have a very tough road to hoe. He got involved recently in talking to our Chief and Supervisor about some problems downtown with fights every weekend and damage that was being done along Montcalm and he was very impressed with the response. He knows the police department has to be rebuilt, but he admires what they do and he was very impressed with the response that he got and the willingness to consider some alternative methods to handling the problems that we are having. He wanted to thank them, very much.

Mr. Lamb would like to comment on the race that the four members did, clean, honest race, he had never seen one before in Ticonderoga. He commends you, all four, very nice.

Report of Department Heads

No comments.

Report of Committees

Building, Grounds, Parks, Recreations, Historical Lands, Monuments, Beach and Cemeteries - Dave Woods, Councilman

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- Discussion on 3 hour parking (will bring back in the spring for spacing and installation)
- New Trash receptacles ordered - Highway will weather proof the tops and they will be anchored at their locations
- Lights on the falls are out
- Flower boxes and benches will need to be stained
- Armory - One way traffic from Champlain through to Amherst
- Armory - Gate (remove or keep)

Resolution #572-2017 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Wayne Taylor to make the Armory drive a One Way drive through - entering from Champlain Avenue (can continue around the front 'horseshoe' drive) traveling through the side towards Amherst Avenue. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorsey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

(Discussion will be held with the Highway Superintendent and the Chief of Police for signage and enforcement)

- Roberta Whitely - purchase and statues (waiting for spring)
- Pickle Ball courts have been painted
- Kent - concerns of trespass on docks by beach
- Electrical work being done in the park
- Roof repair on Community Bldg and Heritage Bldg are being done
- Railings are being installed and Emergency exit in kitchen area is being rectified at the Armory

Public Works - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

**Town of Ticonderoga
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes
October 31, 2017 – 9:30 am**

Present: Supervisor Giordano, Derrick Fleury, Tracy Smith, Matt Fuller (*Town Attorney*), Nancy LaVallie

Excused: Wayne Taylor, Sr.

Others: Fred Hunsdon, Sr., Dick Holroyd, Greg Swart (*AES*), Roxie Curtis

Pledge

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Items for discussion:

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1. Flooding on St. Clair Street
 - a. Previous discussions had taken place with DOT on how to alleviate some of the storm water runoff in that area.
 - i. After the Committee discussed the current situation, Supervisor Giordano requested that Tracy, Derrick and AES supply information on the area. Once the information is received, a workshop will be scheduled to discuss the matter further.
2. Black Point Road (Ticonderoga District) – Vacant parcels charged .10 of Debt
 - a. Upon review of the debt charges in the Black Point (Ticonderoga) District, it was discovered that there are vacant parcels that are charged .10 of debt.
 - i. The lots are assessed as either buildable or non-buildable. The question arose about the appropriate debt charge for the vacant, buildable lots.
 - ii. The MPR (Map, Plan and Report) will need to be reviewed.
3. New owners of 15 Water Street
 - a. The closing for 15 Water Street took place on October 30, 2017. The new owners plan to pay for the previous charges on the account through October 31st, and would like the remaining balance be removed from their account as the structure has been removed from the property.
 - i. The Committee asked that they be contacted and informed that all of the current charges need to be paid in full as changes on accounts do not take effect until the assessment of the property changes in 2018.
 - ii. The Committee suggests to the Town Board to address this policy at the next Town Board Meeting.

Water and Wastewater Superintendent Report - *Derrick Fleury*

1. LCBP Grant Opportunity
 - a. Derrick discussed the grant opportunity which could possibly assist with storm water management, and that there is up to \$125,000 for construction costs and \$50,000 for planning costs that are associated with the grant.
 - i. An RFP would be due by December 21, 2017.
 - ii. The Committee recommends to the Town Board to authorize AES to pursue the LCBP grant opportunity.
2. Town's Push Camera
 - a. Derrick discussed the Town's Push Camera, and that he receives calls from contractors and other municipalities to use the camera.

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- i. Matt commented that an agreement with other municipalities could be done, but the private use of the camera by contractors should not be permitted.

- 3. Hague Road Pump Station
 - a. The current status of the pump station was discussed, and Derrick commented that the work needs to be finished.
 - i. Greg will look over the paperwork on the station, and Derrick and Tracy will look over the Town's procurement policy before moving the work further.

- 4. Privately Owned Transit Water Line (Near Black Point Road)
 - a. Derrick spoke with the owner of the property in regard to her ownership of the 4" transit water line.
 - i. Discussion took place in regard to the current status of the private line, and the possible opportunity for the Town to obtain ownership of the line.
 - ii. Derrick will be meeting with DOH tomorrow and will discuss the matter further.

Chief Plant Operator Report – Tracy Smith

- 1. WQIP project
 - a. Metro Valve updated all of the actuators, modules and boards at the WWTP.

- 2. WWTP
 - a. Tracy asked Greg about the fluidization valves and if they could be used in the future at the plant.
 - i. Greg will look into the options as he wants to be sure it wouldn't impact the current work being done.
 - ii. Greg will also get clarification from DEC in regard to the capacity of the plant after the upgrades.

Attorney's Report – Matt Fuller

- 1. GIGP
 - a. A meeting with DEC will take place on November 9th at 2:00 pm in Warrensburg.

Engineer's Report

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1. WWTP
 - a. The project is moving along, and Greg briefly discussed the option of having a trench drain on site as it would allow for a larger collection area.
 - i. As there were no objections to the idea, Greg will discuss the option further with the contractors.
2. SPRTK Grant
 - a. The grant was briefly discussed. Greg is waiting to hear from Aqualogics, and Rob is working on the Town's force account information.
3. Baldwin Filter Plant
 - a. AES is finishing high priority items first, and although an exact schedule is not available, DOH is currently satisfied. AES will be writing up a protocol to submit to DOH.
 - b. If possible, Derrick would like to use money from this year's budget to purchase materials.
4. Well Control Building
 - a. Greg met with APA on Friday, and the only concern is the placement of the building as the current location would block the view shed. AES is working with the APA to remedy the concern and the project is in good shape.
 - i. A full APA permit is needed and Greg is working on the details.
 - ii. Greg handed out an overall cost summary for the Committee's review. The information will also be given to the Town Board.

Public Comment

1. Dick Holroyd asked the Committee the following questions:
 - a. Would UV filtration be used at the Well Control Building?
 - i. Greg responded that currently there will not be, but that there will be a few provisions in the event there is the need to in the future.
 - b. Is the electrical splicing at the WWTP was all set?
 - i. Tracy responded that everything has been resolved.
 - c. Did residents on Streetroad lose their use of their private wells since the drilling started, specifically Mr. Eubar?
 - i. Derrick responded that Mr. Eubar's water issue was due to his water pump, not the drilling.

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- d. Is there a paid inspector for the GIGP project, and if so who pays?
- i. AES has provided the inspector, and the Town pays for the inspector.
- e. What are the cement pipes in the park being used for, and will they be buried in the park? Was IP informed?
- i. Greg responded that they will be used for crossing areas of the road. They will not be buried in the park. Matt also commented that IP had reviewed the plans earlier on in the project so they were aware of the details.
- f. What are the pipes across from the Community Building being used for?
- i. Greg responded that they will be used for the GIGP project.

Adjourn

Supervisor Giordano adjourned the Water and Sewer Committee Meeting at 11:43 am.

The next Water/Sewer Committee Meeting is set for Tuesday, November 28th at 9:30 am.

Resolution #574-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dave Woods to increase to a full sewer service charge and O&M maintenance for Cheslik property at 20 Windy Point Lane effective January 2018. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorsey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #575-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Wayne Taylor to authorize AES to submit an RFP for the Lake Champlain Basin Program grant. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorsey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Highway - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

**Ticonderoga Highway Meeting
10/26/2017 8:00 AM**

In attendance: Sal Barnao, John Deming, Joyce Cooper, Fred Hunsdon Sr., Dave Woods, and Wayne Taylor Sr.

- **The committee reviewed the recently completed map of Timber Lane, AKA Pine St. All previous village maps show this as a completed public street all the way to Henry St. However, John Deming stated that we can't prove that the town owns the street as either a fee or easement road. According to John that adverse possession is not applicable to highways and any incursion will not hold up. It was suggested that the town consider doing a Qualified Abandonment of the road west of the LaPann's property**

Table 6.2
Town of Ticonderoga, Water System Evaluation
Phase 2- Source Water Alternatives Basis of Design
Alternative 1: Street Road Water System and Baldwin Road Filter Plant
Update October 31, 2017

Description	Costs	Updated Cost 10/30/17	Difference
Well Control Building (All Contract/phases)	\$ 2,908,082.00	\$ 4,542,140.00	\$ 1,634,058.00
Well Control Building Contract (GC&W)	\$ 1,548,183.00	\$ 4,016,600.00	
Well Control Building Contract (E)	\$ 344,078.00	\$ -	
Well Control Building Contract (M)	\$ 175,380.00	\$ -	
Well Control Building Contract (P)	\$ 94,308.00	\$ -	
Well Control Building Site Work	\$ 746,133.00	\$ -	
Process work		\$ 525,540.00	
Well Control Building (Well Development)	\$ 698,830.00	\$ 846,997.50	\$ 148,167.50
North Street Road Water Main	\$ 2,066,194.00	\$ 2,834,300.00	\$ 768,106.00
South Street Road Water Main	\$ 1,138,750.00	\$ 1,113,700.00	\$ (25,050.00)
Chilson Tank & Site Work	\$ 1,896,495.00	\$ 1,233,587.50	\$ (662,907.50)
Baldwin Road Filter Plant Contract (all phases)	\$ 1,718,134.00	\$ 1,718,134.00	\$ -
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Filter Plan Upgrades			
Subtotal Construction Costs	\$ 10,426,485.00	\$ 12,288,859.00	
Engineering, Construction Observation, Legal and Bonding Fees @ 15%	\$ 1,563,973	\$ 2,022,836.14	
AES Design Services		\$ 1,731,030.80	
3902 Ground Water Investigation, Study & Report		\$ 579,820.55	
4323 Well & Well Building Design		\$ 244,450.95	
4324 North Street & 9N water main design		\$ 115,196.26	
4325 Rt 74/9N Water main design		\$ 66,876.07	
4326 Chilson Water tanks		\$ 124,896.44	
4327 Baldwin Rod Filter Plant Preliminary & Schematic Design		\$ 50,772.44	
4468 St Rd Directional Drilling (distribution mains)		\$ 32,450.07	
AES additional services (Amendments)			
4323 Ground water Well & Well Control building services		\$ 177,948.10	
4324 North Street & 9N water main design		\$ 111,362.14	
4325 Rt 74/9N Water main design		\$ 106,432.41	
4326 Chilson Water tanks		\$ 86,036.37	
4468 St Rd Directional Drilling (distribution mains)		\$ 34,789.00	
Other Cost- Bond, Land, legal		\$ 291,805.34	
Bond Counsel(Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker Firth)		\$ 3,220.09	
Local Counsel (Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker Firth)		\$ 3,934.50	
Local Counsel (Meyer & Fuller)		\$ 36,679.90	
Land acquisitions cost		\$ 227,970.85	
Miscellaneous		\$ 20,000.00	
Project Contingencies @ 10% of Construction Cost	\$ 1,042,649	\$ -	
Total Cost	\$ 13,033,106	\$ 14,311,695.14	
Total SRF Amount Requested	\$ 13,395,000.00	\$ 916,695.14	Over

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- **Joyce Cooper reported on a recent purchase of 24 trash containers from a person in Crown Point for the sum of \$3,300. The containers are in very good condition having been declared surplus from Middlebury College. She said there have been seven of these placed on Montcalm St. and in the Bicentennial Park.**
- **Joyce requested that an update on the parking situation on Amherst Ave. Wayne reported that he had reached out to Chris Garrow of the Essex Co. DPW requesting an engineer to evaluate the situation and make a recommendation to the board.**
- **Joyce requested that the appropriate no parking signs be installed on Lake George Ave to correct for the limited sight distance problem at the intersection of Lake George Ave and Calkins Place.**
- **Sal reported on the 2018 Highway budget and that the highway crew will be doing most of what the beautification crew had been doing previously. Sal went on to suggest that the town have a dedicated cemetery mowing crew as this would be too much for the highway department to assume.**
- **John Deming inquired about the status of the six parking places that the town had promised to Mountain Lakes Services off of Cannonball Path. John went on to say that with some further negotiation with the neighbor to the south (John Reale) might resolve the situation. The matter will be further explored in the near future.**
- **Meeting adjourned 8:55 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Taylor 11/08/17

Public Safety - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

Public Safety Meeting
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Committee Members Present: Councilman Hunsdon, Chief LaVallie, Dave Woods, Margaret Lauman, Kortney Bessett, Bill Ball, Danielle Holman and Ross Kelley
Excused Members: Matt Watts and Don Paige
Guest: Supervisor Giordano, Laura and Mark Wright, Sgt. Quesnel and Lance Clark
Councilman Dave Woods opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for public participation.
The committee waited for Councilman Hunsdon to join the meeting.
No public participation.

Ticonderoga Police Department Report

- Monthly Statistics Reported.
- Academy Update: EVOC was completed, the recruits have been qualified on the range and they still have to complete OC (pepper spray)

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- Speed Trailer – Chief LaVallie would like to thank this committee for their recommendation for the approval of this project. The order is placed and the Speed Trailer should arrive in the next two weeks. The newspaper is going to write an article on this project.
- Ticonderoga Police Department Facebook page continues to be updated and has become a good resource for us.
- Two new patrol vehicles have been ordered. Chief LaVallie apologizes to the committee that this wasn't discussed with them prior to approval from the board. This came about quickly and two vehicles needed to be replaced as soon as possible.

There was a discussion on which vehicles will be replaced and why there was such a need. Chief LaVallie thanks the Town Board for the approval. Chief LaVallie also thanks Sgt. Quesnel and Kortney Bessett for their work on getting these ordered.

- Chief LaVallie updated the committee that the DA's is going to purchase new computers, printers and mounts for these new vehicles. A huge thanks to the DA office for this purchase.
- The Ticonderoga Police Department has been very busy lately and Chief LaVallie gave an update on notable cases. Car break-in's – two arrests were made. There are currently two rape cases. We are investigating a suspicious death, (no worry to the public) but no more information will be released at this time due to an open investigation. We are also investigating a suspicious fire. There has been a couple of serious motor vehicle accidents. Chief LaVallie would like to give thanks to the staff for the countless hours that they have been working due to the work load and being short staffed.

Chief LaVallie would like the committee to know that they are trying to be as proactive as possible and we are trying to keep up with every complaint that is coming in.

- The department held a departmental meeting this past month and everyone was there but one person. Everyone got a chance to speak and was a great chance to update everyone, we did implement a couple policy changes.
- FTO Class – The state mandates that one recruit trains with one Field Training Officer. There are three recruits and we will be sending three full time officers to train to become a FTO in December.
- K9 Handler update - Chief LaVallie recognized that Sgt. Quesnel is doing a great job with the K9. He has been in the schools, training and out in the community. There was a discussion on Sgt. Quesnel's training. Chief LaVallie once again thanked the Quesnel Family for allowing Tusko in their home.

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- Comment Cards were a tool that was used a long time ago. Officer Mawn found them in storage at the station and he has begun to use them and Chief LaVallie has encouraged all the officer's to use these. These cards are sent directly to the Supervisors office.
- Needle Drop Box: The Department of Health is providing two drop boxes for the Ticonderoga area. There was a discussion on the drop boxes and where we should put them. A final decision was made to place one on the LaChute Trail and one at the Police Station. These drop boxes will be a safe disposal for any sharps material.
- Chief LaVallie updated the committee that Dr. Mack will not be renewing their contract for the 2018 year. Chief LaVallie would like to thank the Mack family and their staff for years of service to the town and thank him for caring for our K9 Tusko. We are beginning discussion on a future plan. Ross Kelley asked if Dr. Mack was not renewing his contract because we were unable to meet his requirements that he met with us about last year. Mr. Woods stated that was not the case that Mrs. Mack will extend the contract another 30 days while we come up with a plan. There was a discussion on a few possible solutions to this problem.

Chief LaVallie asked if there was any questions. Councilman Hunsdon asked about a couple names for arrest.

Ticonderoga Fire Department

- Chief Watts executed from this meeting – no report

Ticonderoga EMS

- no report

Councilman Hunsdon asked if there were any new information on the CPR class. Not at this time.

Codes Department

- Bill Ball updated the committee that he took Councilman Woods to his inspections today. They visited the Newbury building and it will be shut down tomorrow. There is no fire protection in that building and the Fire Department has been notified. Councilman Woods and Mr. Ball agreed that the front of the building needs to be secured. The windows are cracked and there is cause for concern. Mr. Ball states that the building is leaning towards the jewelry store. Ms. Holman has sent him a violation but the owner has not responded yet.
- 14 apartments were “do not occupy” but 7 have been re-opened because they are back in compliance.

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- Danielle Holman turned it over to Lance Clark from TRA to talk about the Mortgage related properties. He made a presentation on the “abandon or zombie” properties.

(The report is attached to the minutes)

- There was a discussion on boarding up the front of Newbury’s, there is money in the budget to do this project. There was also a discussion that tomorrow is Halloween and that sidewalk in front of that building needs to be blocked off so that no children get hurt near that area. Sgt. Quesnel will take care of blocking off the sidewalk for Trick or Treating.

Councilman Hunsdon asked Kortney Bessett if she would get the dimensions on the slab of concrete for the disposal boxes and he will turn it over to Sal.

Laura Wright asked if she gets cones from Sal can she put up signs up during the Church Service’s on Amherst Avenue. The parking is blocking the roadway. Councilman Hunsdon asked about talking to the Father. Chief LaVallie said if Sal is okay with it he has no problem with it.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Public Safety Meeting on November 27, 2017 at 5pm in the basement of the Community Building.

Minutes Prepared by Kortney Bessett – Records Clerk, Ticonderoga Police Department

Resolution #576-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to advertise for Dog Control Officer. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #577-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Dave Woods to advertise for Animal Control Officer. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #578-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano to advertise for Full-time and part-time police officer lateral transfer. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Human Services: Youth/Seniors - Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman

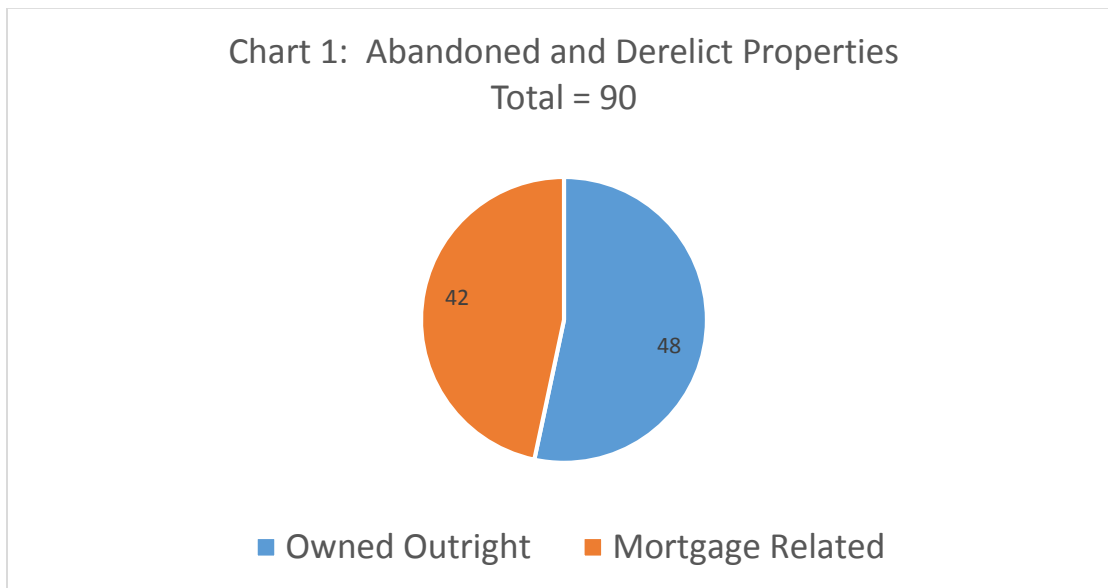
Seniors
November 2017

The seniors are having a Fuel Raffle. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$5.00 each and will be drawn on December 11th. Winner will receive \$200.00 toward their winter fuel. Tickets can be purchased at the Senior Center and some seniors are selling them.

ACTIONS SINCE JUNE REGARDING MORTGAGE-RELATED DERELICT PROPERTIES: STATUS REPORT, OCTOBER 30, 2017

Since mid-June 2017, the Town's Code Enforcement Office (CEO) with assistance from the Zombie and Abandoned Properties Project (coordinated by the Ticonderoga Revitalization Alliance), has focused special attention on mortgage-related derelict properties. This is in part because of the start-up around that time of the implementation of a new State law. This law requires mortgagees (i.e., mortgage companies, banks, and/or loan servicers) to secure and maintain any of their abandoned properties that are more than 90 days in mortgage arrears.

The CEO's Master File of Derelict and Abandoned Properties was created in June this year, and includes all properties which are both of concern to CEO for one or more problems, and which are abandoned. These totaled 87 properties as of June 16, 2017, with three more added since then. Of this latest total of 90, just over half were owned outright, while the other half were mortgage-related properties (and which are the focus of this Status Report).

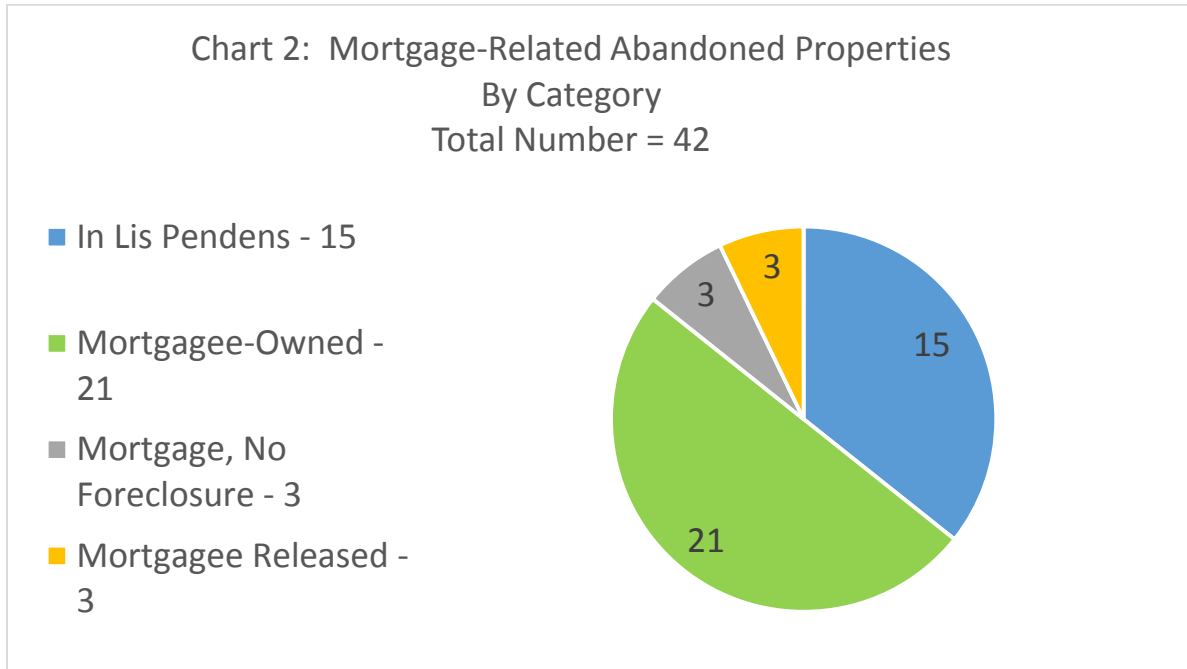


The mortgage-related properties are made up of four sub-categories. The new State law applies to three of them:

- Properties in Lis Pendens, i.e., legal foreclosure proceedings have begun (law applies)
- Properties owned by the mortgagee, i.e., the mortgage company or bank (law applies)
- Properties for which there is a mortgage, but foreclosure has not begun (law applies)
- Properties released by the mortgagee (law doesn't apply)

ACTIONS AND OUTCOMES FOR MORTGAGE-RELATED DERELICT PROPERTIES

As shown on the chart below, during the 4 ½ months since the creation of the Master File there have been a total of 42 properties in the Mortgage-Related category.



Of these 42, CEO has worked directly with the New York State Department of Financial Services (DFS) on 9 properties sent to DFS on June 20, 2017 for their action under the new State law. During the time since then, CEO has also pressed mortgagees locally for action on their other derelict properties in these three sub-categories, in the context of increased awareness by mortgage companies/banks of the new law, and of DFS's active position towards enforcing it.

In terms of outcomes:

- Of the 9 properties sent to DFS, 6 have been remediated and 3 are still in progress
- An additional 26 properties have been remediated through pressure from CEO, probably also due in part to awareness by mortgagees of the new State law, and DFS's proactive approach
- Thus, a total of 32 of the 42 mortgage-related derelict properties have now been remediated
- DFS has been a good partner, being quick to act and easy to dialogue with

In terms of the types of problem that have been fixed, of the 32 remediated properties:

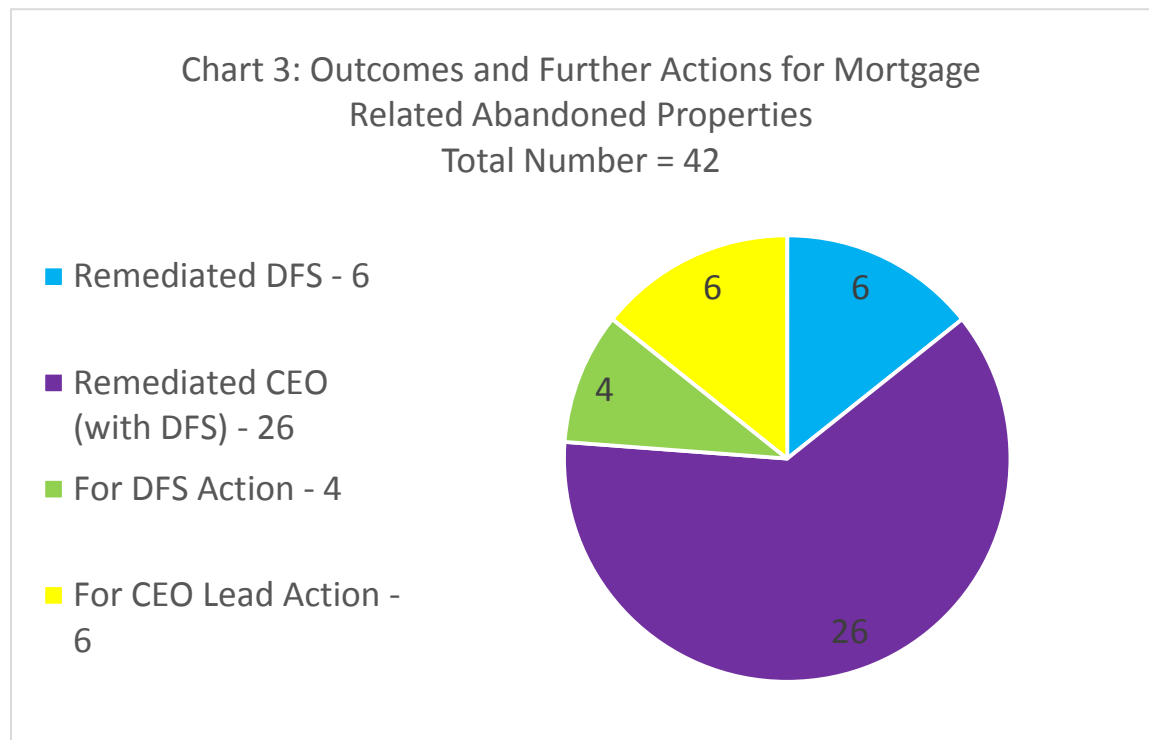
- 25 had problems with overgrown grass only, or with garbage also
- 7 had problems with mowing as well as with a more serious problem

In terms of the proportions of main types of problems fixed, across the 42 “mortgage-related” properties, 25 of 29 with only overgrown grass problems have been remediated, and 7 of 13 which have overgrown grass as well as more serious problems have been remediated.

REMAINING CEO CASELOAD FOR MORTGAGE-RELATED DERELICT PROPERTIES

Of the original 42 “mortgage related” derelict properties, 10 still need action:

- 4 properties are with DFS, with CEO pressing locally also. This includes 2 more just sent to them
- 6 properties are with CEO to lead the action, including the 3 in the sub-category of “mortgagee released”, and 1 that DFS returned as not fitting the new law criteria



In terms of types of problems regarding the 10 properties in this remaining mortgage-related caseload:

- 4 have problems with mowing only
- 6 have problems with both mowing and other more serious problems

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There will be a second AARP Driving Safety Course on November 20th at the Armory.

An Open House, Basket Raffle and Bake sale has been planned for February 9th, 2018.

November has many Around the Town activities offered. They are listed on the bulletin board at the Senior Center.

The Senior Center will be closed November for Thanksgiving.

Interested side note: The senior bus travels an average of 53 miles a day (5 days) with an average of 24 daily riders.

The new Senior Bus has been ordered and should be here in a couple of months.

Respectfully submitted, Dorcey Crammond

Youth Commission
November 2017

The After School program is at full staff. The two new employees started this week.

Jen's letter of resignation was received this week as well as one from Gayle Wells. Gayle had offered to help out when needed until we got to full staff, and we thank her for her time.

October was a very busy month with Halloween pumpkin carving and a dance at the Community Building and a Halloween Bash at the Armory.

Veterans' Day is Saturday November the 11th to honor this School will be closed Friday the 10th. The Armory will be closed that day.

Thanksgiving Break is November 20th - 24th there will be no After School Program during those dates.

Respectfully submitted, Dorcey Crammond

Ticonderoga Youth Commission

September 18th, 2017 – October 15th, 2017

Date	Attendance	Special Notes
10/3/2017	27	Handprint sign pt I
10/4/2017	42	Handprint sign pt II, relay races, bracelet making

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10/5/2017	44	Where's my pineapple?, moon sand, cubby #1 came
10/6/2017	35	Fruit filled ice cream cones, fizzing apple art
10/9/2017	Closed	Halloween decorations up
10/10/2017	42	Perler beads
10/11/2017	51	Ghost craft, moon sand
10/12/2017	52	
10/13/2017	35	Fruit pizzas, sugar cookie making

Expenses			
Date	Where	Amount (\$)	Details
9/19/2017	Larry Welch	100	Pumpkins x40
9/24/2017	Wal-Mart	20.19	Cups, snacks, water
9/25/2017	Staples	209.99	4x6 ft white board (GRANT)
10/4/2017	Wal-Mart	18.76	Snacks, baby oil
10/9/2017	Donohue & Higgins	106.95	Popcorn
10/9/2017	Wal-Mart	36.79	Snacks
10/10/2017	Wal-Mart	45.01	Paint, cornstarch, snacks, water
10/15/2017	Wal-Mart	50.86	Snacks, cups, construction paper
	Total:	588.55	
Revenue			
Date	Where	Amount (\$)	Details
10/16/2017	Drink Sales	12	Water
	Total:	12	

1. Staffing

- a. 2 new employees: Joseph LaPeter and Brett Moore
- b. Tanya Gijanto, Brenda Martin, Taylor Bolton, Corinna
- c. Substitutes/Reserved: Stephen, Paige
- d. Jen should have her resignation letter in this week

2. Events and Volunteers!

- a. October 21st: Pumpkin carving Palooza 2-4 @ Armory

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- b. October 26th: Early Dismissal, Armory CLOSED
 - c. October 27th: Halloween Dance Party 6:30-8pm in Court Room
 - d. October 30th: Halloween Bash 3-6 @ Armory
 - e. October 31st: Halloween, Armory CLOSED
 - f. November 10th: No School, Armory CLOSED
 - g. November 20th – 24th: Thanksgiving Break, Armory CLOSED
3. Carpet or carpet squares?
a. Carpet would be about \$100, squares at about \$350.
4. November Giving Event?
a. Parents and community members can drop off gently used coats and jackets that are child sized on a Friday/Saturday. The next Saturday parents can come in and take what they want, leave what they don't want.
b. Anything left can be donated to the church.
5. Any news from Grounds committee on the soundproofing?

Resolution #579-2017 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Dave Woods to accept Jennifer Bush's resignation of Activities Attendant. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #580-2017 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to accept Linda Coley's retirement announcement effective December 31, 2017 with regrets. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #581-2017 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to accept Gayle Well's resignation of Activities Attendant. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Airport - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

- Discussion on Fire Extinguishers, they are to be checked every and hydro tested every 5 years
- Modification on Gate not done at this time
- Fuel credit card reader not tweaked so it will read card on the first swipe
- Pappy light bulbs and wind sock bulb need to be checked
- Discussion on tie downs price tabled

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- Dumping permits, Supervisor is working on it
- Windsock light is fixed

Next Meeting is December 6th

Economic Development - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
No Meeting

Multi-Use Building - Wayne Taylor, Councilman
Submitted questionnaires to the engineer - work in progress - presentation to come

Health Ins. - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
No meeting, will be doing same enrollment process as last year now that we are a community rated provider.

Contract Negotiations - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Work on Police contract

I.T./Cable TV - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Will revisit the file restructuring.

Comments have been made about broadband in Chilson, will discuss and get more info on service in that area (no tower being proposed at this time in that area)

Resolutions for Consideration

Resolution #582-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dave Woods to accept the minutes of the October 12th Regular Town Board meeting and October 13th, 18th, 25th, and 26th along with November 3 budget workshops. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #583-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to accept the November 2nd Budget Workshop. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Wayne Taylor - Abstain. **Carried.**

Resolution #584-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dave Woods authorizing the General Fund to loan the following to Capital Projects until refinancing is complete and/or grant proceeds are received:

Chilson Water Main Replacement	H36.0630	Due to Other Funds	\$65,224.
GIGP – Daylight Streaming Grant	H49.0630	Due to Other Funds	\$73,781.
WQIP WWTP Disinfection	H50.0630	Due to Other Funds	\$265,427.
General	A.0391	Due from Other Funds	\$404,432.

All in Favor Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Resolution #585-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor authorizing training, accommodations and vouchers for mileage and meals for Derrick Fleury, 3A Pesticide Applicator, Cicero, NY, January 9-10 & 12, 2018. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #586-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to pay the Abstract #11-2017. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

10/13/2017	Gross Payroll PP#21			\$87,954.20
10/27/2017	Gross Payroll PP#22			\$88,542.53
		Pre-Pays 11/2/17	Abstract 11/9/17	TOTAL
	General (A)	\$ 920.42	\$286,057.58	\$286,978.00
	CD21 LISC Zombie		\$0.00	
	Highway (DA)		\$104,663.92	\$104,663.92
	H17 - C/P Ticonderoga Airport		\$0.00	
	H36 - C/P Chilson Res. Replacement		\$100,761.32	\$100,761.32
	H45 - C/P Equipment Purchase		\$121,083.00	\$121,083.00
	H49 - GIGP Daylight Streaming		\$2,005.70	\$2,005.70
	H50 - C/P WQIP WWTP Disinfection		\$21,458.91	\$21,458.91
	H53 - Clean Water Main Project		\$0.00	0
	H54 - LaChute Signage Grant		\$0.00	0
	H55 - DASNY/SAM Grant Comm.Bldg.		\$132,244.28	\$132,244.28
	H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know		\$0.00	
	Claymore Sewer District (SS01)		\$42.70	\$42.70
	Park Ave Sewer District (SS02)	\$ 9,562.95	\$21.41	\$9,584.36
	Alex Ave Sewer District (SS03)	\$ 6,399.00	\$49.24	\$6,448.24
	Homelands Sewer Dist (SS04)	\$ 3,116.55	\$57.52	\$3,174.07
	Central Sewer (SS05)	\$ 97.65	\$61,649.61	\$61,747.26
	Commerce Park Sewer (SS06)	\$ 13,058.70	\$580.86	\$13,639.56

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	Delano Point Sewer (SS07)	\$ 3,092.85	\$67.04	\$3,159.89
	Baldwin Road Sewer Dist (SS08)	\$ 4,692.60	\$82.26	\$4,774.86
	Black Point Road Sewer (SS09)	\$ 16,892.18	\$1,498.92	\$18,391.10
	Hague Road Sewer (SS10)	\$ 2,020.43	\$374.48	\$2,394.91
	9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)	\$ 4,331.18	\$24,545.33	\$28,876.51
	9N & 74 Water (SW01)		\$10.84	\$10.84
	Street Road Water (SW02)		\$10.83	\$10.83
	Alex Avenue I Water District (SW03)		\$0.00	0
	Homelands Water District (SW04)		\$0.00	0
	Alex Ave II Water District (SW05)		\$0.00	0
	Central Water (SW06)	\$ 190.65	\$46,668.35	\$46,859.00
	Park Ave Water Dist (SW07)		\$0.00	
	Shore Airport Water (SW09)		\$21.03	\$21.03
	Multi Account Total	\$ 64,375.16	\$903,955.13	\$ 968,330.29

Total Expenditures

\$1,144,827.02

Supervisor Giordano briefed the board on a conversation that he had with Interlakes Health. He was approached about the .10 acre of land where the visitor center (Info Booth) is located by the Monument. They are interested in gifting this to the Town. (No objection by the Board)

Resolution #587-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Fred Hunsdon hold a special Town Board meeting on Friday, November 17, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of finalizing and adopting the 2018 Ticonderoga Town Budget. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Supervisor Giordano informed the board that the Lake Champlain Park Commission would like to hold a presentation to the Town Board, Planning Board and any other interested parties regarding the updated regulatory information for the storm water management that they have. This will be held on Thursday, November 16th, time to be decided. Those board members that can are welcome to attend.

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Supervisor Giordano also informed the board that there will be a presentation to the Chilson and Eagle Lake property owners on Wednesday, November 15th at 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Chilson regarding the future of the water and the plans on moving forward. This will be presented by the Town Attorney, Town Engineer, Water/Wastewater Superintendent, those board members that can are welcome to attend.

Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #588-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Wayne Taylor to accept Maurice O'Connor's resignation from his position of ACO/DCO. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #589-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to Request Proposals for the boarding of seized Dogs in the Town. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #590-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Wayne Taylor to re-appoint Ben Leerkes to the Ticonderoga Planning Board. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Public Comment

Mrs. Wright announced that the clean-up crew will be putting up garland this coming Sunday with the help of Tom Detrick and his bucket truck from Detrick's Tree Service. Is there a chance for a trash can to be placed in the alleyway by the food co-op? That would be great. It is appreciated that Mr. Barnao and the guys putting the cover on the other one so it can be kept out all winter. She has a concern regarding the concrete pipes in the park, she was in the park and noticed there were kids jumping from one to the next. She did notify the police, but can there be something done to secure them? She has no suggestion but it needs a solution.

Mr. Lamb stated that years ago before the paving on Wicker Street there was a sign by the hospital entrance and it stated that it is a quiet zone. Can we get that sign back?

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

AGENDA

Pledge to the Flag

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Opening Remarks -- Announcements:

Board of Health – no report

Presentations

Proclamation for Steve Burroughs

Public Hearing

- To amend the Town's Local Ordinance regarding Solar (open)
- Present the 2018 Preliminary Budget

Public Comment – Please Stand and State Your Name (time limit 2-3 minutes)

Department Heads

Committee reports:

Building Grounds Parks Rec Library DW

Public Works JG

RESOLUTION to authorize AES to submit an RFP for the Lake Champlain Basin
Program grant

RESOLUTION to increase to a full sewer service charge and O&M maintenance
for Cheslik property at 20 Windy Point Lane effective January 2018

Highway / Transfer Station WT

Public Safety FH

RESOLUTION to advertise for Dog Control Officer

RESOLUTION to advertise for Animal Control Officer

RESOLUTION to advertise a full-time or part-time police officer lateral transfer

Human Services: Youth/Seniors DC

RESOLUTION to accept the resignation of Jennifer Bush from the after-school
program

RESOLUTION to accept Linda Coley's retirement announcement effective
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Airport FH

Economic Development JG

Multi Use Building Committee WT

Health Insurance JG

Contract negotiations JG

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I.T. / Cable T.V. JG

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION to accept/correct minutes of October 12th, Regular TB Meeting, October 13th, 18th, 25th, 26th and November 3rd Town Board Budget Workshops.
RESOLUTION to accept/correct minutes of November 2nd Town Board Budget Workshops.

RESOLUTION authorizing training, accommodations, and vouchers for mileage and meals for

- Derrick Fleury, 3A Pesticide Applicator, Cicero, NY, Jan 9-10 & 12, 2018
 - \$145 course fee per day (\$298), accommodations for 2 nights, mileage, \$100 test fee

RESOLUTION to pay the Abstract

Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Attorney, Matt Fuller

Public Comment – Please Stand and State Your Name

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting