

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga Town Board Meeting held on March 11, 2021
commencing at 6:00 p.m. with a Public Hearing regarding repealing a Local Law
for Senior Exemptions and Adopting a Local Law for Senior Exemptions**

Present: (Via Virtually) Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Mark Russell, Councilman (arrived at 7:06 p.m.)
Tom Cunningham, Councilman
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman
Dave Woods, Councilman
Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Others: (Meeting was held virtually) Mark & Laura Wright, Donna Wotton, Tim Rowland, Heath Towne, Dave Burrows, and Deanna DiPofi

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

Public Hearing

Introducing a Local law repealing Local Law #2 of 2008 - Providing for Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or Older

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga on March 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. concerning a proposed Local Law repealing Local Law 2 of 2008 which provided for a partial real property tax exemption for persons 65 years or older. This Local Law is intended to be replaced by a new Local Law providing for such exemptions. In accordance with New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1 as extended which suspends certain provisions of the New York Open Meetings Law, the public hearing will be held remotely by phone or computer. Details for the remote meeting will be set forth on the Town of Ticonderoga website at: <https://www.townofticonderoga.org/town-meeting-minutes>. In addition, comments may be submitted in writing to the Town Clerk, Town of Ticonderoga, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, New York 12833 provided that such written comments are received on or before the public hearing.

Mark Wright asked what if any are the changes between the repeal of the law and the replacement of the law.

Supervisor Giordano noted that it is the schedule in the laws that has changed. He showed the current law's schedule.

Mr. Fuller explained that NYS Real Property Law 467(1)(b) was amended in 2019 or 2020 in the Budget Process - there was no change in the Percentages of assessed value from exemption, it still stayed at 50% and drops down to 5%, but the income limits did change:

The following are the income levels in this law that we are proposing to repeal.
0 to \$24,999 50% \$25,000 to \$25,799 45%

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\$25,800 to \$26,599	40%	\$28,600 to \$29,099	20%
\$26,600 to \$27,399	35%	\$29,100 to \$29,599	15%
\$27,400 to \$27,999	30%	\$29,600 to \$29,999	10%
\$28,000 to \$28,599	25%	\$30,000 to \$30,399	5%

All of the remaining law and application process will remain the same

Public Hearing closed at 6:13 p.m.

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The following are the income levels we are proposing in the new local law.

\$0 to \$24,999	50%	\$28,900 to \$29,799	25%
\$25,000 to \$25,999	45%	\$29,800 to \$30,699	20%
\$26,000 to \$26,999	40%	\$30,700 to \$31,599	15%
\$27,000 to \$27,999	35%	\$31,600 to \$32,499	10%
\$28,000 to \$28,899	30%	\$32,500 to \$33,399	5%

Again all the remaining law and application process will remain the same.

Public Hearing closed at 6:15 p.m.

Report From Department Heads

Dave Burrows reported on the Nuisance Property located on 56-58 Race Track Road, which was brought up at the January Town Board Meeting. Per the Resolution adopted at that January meeting, the property owner was to meet his goal of completing work on the house and a nearby apartment by the February Town Board meeting which did not happen and he was issued an invoice for \$500 as detailed in the Resolution #3-2021. The property owner was to have an additional apartment on Race Track Road finished by this Town Board meeting and as of the

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inspection that took place yesterday nothing has even been started. He recommends issuing another invoice for the additional \$500 as detailed in the Resolution #3-2021.

Mr. Fuller added that this is just a status update from the Building Department, now it falls back to himself and the department to proceed further.

Opening Remarks

Coronavirus Update - this week at the county the number of positive cases are down significantly from the last couple of months. In Mid January there were 143 positive cases and in the February timeframe it reduced about to about 55 and as of now, this early March the numbers are down to 36 so those are good indications of things to come and the work of the vaccine being disseminated in our communities. As for the vaccine, Monday, March 8th - 25% of the county eligible population has been vaccinated, Essex County is leading the way in the percentages of those people eligible to receive those vaccinations. As you know there are three different vaccinations that are out there, Moderna, Pfizer, and Johnson & Johnson. The most common in our area is the Moderna, the State has pretty much been providing the Pfizer vaccine at their state sites and Johnson & Johnson is just rolling out, they are a one dose vaccine in comparison with Moderna and Pfizer which are two doses. He believes that Essex County has received 100 doses of Johnson & Johnson this week. Department of Public Health wants to encourage residents to sign-up for the vaccinations but they also want to discourage people from vaccine shopping, people signing up for one location and looking to sign up some place else which further hiccups the system, they want to get people in for those appointments that are scheduled so not to have vaccines go un-administered. When you sign up, please adhere to your appointment. There are also stand by lists in a lot of locations so if you are unable to get an appointment, please get your name on a list so if something changes, they will be looking for additional recipients to be able to vaccinate when they receive shipments of these vaccines. This month beginning, March 10th they will have reduced the Senior population age down to 60, so they can start scheduling their appointments. On March 17th the eligibility and a few other changes will be taken into account. All sites will now be able to vaccinate anyone who is eligible except pharmacies who are still handling teachers and those who are 60 and older, but on March 17th the new bracket of eligible people that can be vaccinated will include non-profit, public facing public employees, public facing essential workers, public facing building service workers (does not include workers at construction sites). Those are a few of the latest relaxations on the eligibility scene.

Also was discussed, for summer time activities, NYS is looking to allow overnight camps, which means our summer day camps will presumably operate, but no specific provisions have been provided for how that operation will take place so we are still waiting for that. Lifeguard training and CPR is usually in the February to March time frame, we are receiving notification about those interested in becoming lifeguards for the summer can go in and receive their CPR and lifeguard training. Typically, it is held at the Moriah Central pool, they are still waiting further instructions as to how they are handling those classes given the precautions, so we will

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just have to wait until that information is provided to us. Hopefully, that will be forthcoming shortly.

Summer meal programs, this year there was a question as to whether they will extend the length of it, typically it coincides with the length of the day camps, but as of now they are not sure as to whether the extension of the summer meals will be offered beyond the normal time period for the day camp.

Office of the Aging, they are looking to do everything they can to help vaccinate our senior populations, so if you are aware of anyone that is in need of a vaccine, please do not hesitate to give them a call and they are doing everything that they can to make sure they can assist with scheduling appointments for our older residents.

Early Voting - discussion was held again at the county level, a number of supervisor's had chimed in about fully supporting a second voting site especially one in the southern Tier of the county, but that they didn't have cost enter into the discussion. Right now it is really residing with the Board of Elections to do an evaluation of eligible sites in the southern communities. There is a fairly stringent set of requirements that needs to be met in order to be able to offer an early voting location, things like the continuity of use of facility morning, afternoon and evening time periods and then of course security of not only people with access to the polling site, but also security for the machines themselves for day to day operations. Hopeful, that the commissioners will explore the options and bring that back to the board of supervisor's to move forward.

Public Comment

Mark Wright inquired as to the Race Track Road property, if the owner doesn't pay the fine what is the town's recourse.

Supervisor Giordano stated that a Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued for that property.

Mr. Fuller added that ultimately, there is Civil Enforcement that we can have as necessary and there is potential criminal enforcement under the Building Code. The Nuisance Law was just one tool in the tool box for addressing this situation. Mr. Burrows and he will be working on the other options.

Committee Reports

Airport - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

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No Meeting was held this month. This is normal as there is not a lot of activity taking place this time of year.

Public Safety - Dave Woods, Councilman

Public Safety Meeting

February 23, 2021

Councilman Dave Woods calls the meeting to order at 8:05am with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following committee members were present via Zoom: Dave Woods, Mark Russell, Chief Hurlburt, Jennifer Gendron, Rhiannon Peters, David Burrows, Ross Kelly and Supervisor Giordano.

Guests: Mark Wright and Tom Cunningham

Councilman Woods asked if there is any public participation, none at this time.

Police Department

Chief Hurlburt starts off with a letter of thank you to the State Police. (See attachment)

Chief Hurlburt reads the Monthly Activities 1/26/2021 to 2/23/2021, Chief Hurlburt then discusses the purchase of a new Police vehicle. (See attachment)

Tom Cunningham asked Chief Hurlburt if there has been any issues since the two hour parking signs have been put up. Chief Hurlburt states that no issues have come up.

Building Codes Department

Rhiannon Peters reads the codes monthly report. (See attachment)

Dave Burrows states that he hasn't had any further correspondence with the landlord on Race Track Road, Dave sent a letter stating the a certificate of occupancy will not be granted until all things have been taken care of and pass a final inspection and the fine has been paid.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35am

Minutes prepared by Jennifer Gendron.

Next Public Safety Meeting is March 23, 2021 at 8:00am

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The Ticonderoga Police Department would like to take this opportunity to extend our gratitude to three of your New York State Troopers, and to your Collision Reconstruction Unit. On Saturday February 6, 2021 at approximately 6:10 a.m., The Ticonderoga Police Department received a call of a motor vehicle accident involving three vehicles and the fatality of a New York State Corrections Officer. On that day, the Ticonderoga Police Department was at minimal staffing due to being a weekend. Troopers Joseph Montagnola, Justin Viele (SP Schroom Lake), and Bradlee Peters (SP Crown Point) responded and assisted with the incident. The Troopers assisted with scene security and preservation, obtaining supporting depositions from witnesses, and conducting death notifications with some of the family members that reside outside of Ticonderoga. The Ticonderoga Police Department would also like to extend our gratitude to Collision Reconstruction Unit members Investigators Thomas Houle and Anthony Bissonette for their prompt response and professionalism. We would like to recognize that this is the second time since November 24, 2020 that the Collision Reconstruction Unit has responded to the Town of Ticonderoga to assist with a fatal scene, with each time being a great asset to our investigation. The Ticonderoga Police Department would like to make you aware of our gratitude and appreciation of all of your members that assisted us and we appreciate their professionalism and willingness to help our agency.


 Chief Adam Hurlburt
 Ticonderoga Police Department

The following is a summary of the activities of the Ticonderoga Police Department From 1/26/2021-2/23/2021

<u>Patrol Statistics</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Approx. Calls to Service:	205	3862
Incident reports:	12	283
Arrests:	9	195
Uniform traffic tickets:	23	514
DWI arrests:	1	13
Accidents investigated:	9	98

Speed Trailer: Currently out of service for the winter.

New Police Vehicle: The Police Department would like to purchase a 2021 Dodge Charger from Beyer Fleet. The cost of the vehicle is \$34,753.57. Beyer Fleet will also be adding additional equipment (light bar, cencorn unit, and speaker) to the vehicle before delivery. The additional equipment will be an extra \$2,744.02. Total cost of this vehicle purchase will be \$37,497.59.

*On 2/6/2021 the Ticonderoga Police Department responded to a Fatal Motor Vehicle Accident on New York State Rte 22. The New York State Police Accident Reconstruction Unit assisted with the investigation. The investigation is still open at this time

*On 2/8/2021 the Ticonderoga Police Department responded to a weapons complaint in the vicinity of Father Jogues Place. After a police investigation into the complaint Jason M. Gacel, a New Jersey resident, was arrested and charged with Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd, 2 Counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd, and Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 4th (stolen hand gun) along with other additional charges.

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* Sergeant Belden is still out with an Injury stemming from an arrest with a combative subject.

* Now that we have a decent amount of snow the department hopes that all snowmobile enthusiasts are having a good time and are riding safely. The Department would like to remind all snowmobile operators to please be respectful of people's property and to stay on the approved snowmobile trails.

* Due to the rising numbers of COVID cases in the area the Ticonderoga Police Department is not allowing citizens inside the station unless they are being processed for an arrest or if it's absolutely necessary. If you want to report a complaint please call 911 and request an officer contact you by telephone. If you have an emergency please call 911 and the Essex County Dispatch Center will send an officer to your location immediately.

The following is a summary of the activities of the Building Inspection / Code Enforcement Department for (February) 2021.

<u>Building Inspection</u>	(February)	YTD
Building Permits Issued:	2	98
Safety Inspections:	1	10
Pass/Fail:	1/1	7/1

Permit & Inspection Notes:

- 1-Fire/Safety Inspection: Apartment Building/Store (Montcalm St): Pass
- 2- Alteration & Repairs Permit (The Portage & Black Pt).
- Race Track Rd : Monthly Inspection per Town Boards Resolution regarding Nuisance Property
 →2/10-Inspection FAILED: Water line replaced still inoperable, No electricity hooked up.
 →2/11-Reported Inspection findings to Town Board
 →2/12- Certified Violation letter sent to Owner stating that Board stipulations were not met & Fine will need to be paid.

Code Violation Notices

	(February)	YTD
Order to Remedy:	0	32
Remediated:	0	9
Clean-Up Contractor:	0	7
NYS Dept. of Pin.Services:	0	0
Other:	0	0
Condemned:	0	1
Do Not Occupy:	0	3
Appearance Tickets:	0	0

Violation Notices: N/A

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Miscellaneous

*Complaints:

Resolved:

(February)	YTD
2	14
0	6 of 13

Misc. Complaint Notes

- 2- Tenant complaints: Issues with rental properties. Advised Callers to fill out our Tenant complaint form on Town Webpage and we would proceed from there.

Trainings

- IWork training every Monday, until the Data base is up and running.
- #1 **Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices (9A)-Training Webinar: 01/19/21 thru 01/22/21
- #2- **Building Standards Training (BCNYS & FCNYS of 2020): 2/8/21 thru 2/11/21

Safety & Resource Grants (YTD)

- Zombie & Abandoned Properties Grant (Round II) \$47,500

Noteworthy Highlights / Achievements

- **Completed our 1st week of Training & Exam: Intro to Code Enforcement Practices (9A)
- ** Completed our 2nd week of Training & Exam: Building Standards (BCNYS & FCNYS of 2020)

The Board would like to congratulate Rhiannon Peters, who has successfully passed her 3rd and Final Exam for Building Inspector I.

Resolution #75-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Joyce Cooper to promote Rhiannon Peters to the Full-time Positions of Building Inspector, provisional, in the Buildings Codes Department at the hourly rate of \$21.25, effective March 11, 2021. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Mark Russell - Absent. **Carried.**

Resolution #76-2021 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Joseph Giordano to appoint the following committee members: Dave Woods, Mark Russell, Rhiannon Peters, David Burrows, Jen Gendron, Adam Hurlburt and Ross Kelley. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Mark Russell - Absent. **Carried.**

Resolution #77-2021 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Joyce Cooper to advertise for lateral transfer NYS Police Officer Position, Part-Time Police Officers who hold an active BMP Certification as Police Officer as well as those who have been appointed from a Civil Service

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Exam. Only applicants holding certification and qualification will be considered. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Mark Russell - Absent. **Carried.**

Highway/Transfer Station - Tom Cunningham, Councilman

**Town of Ticonderoga
Highway and Transfer Station
February 23, 2021 minutes of Meeting**

Present:

Tom Cunningham, Dave Woods, John Deming

Others

Joyce Cooper- in person, Joe Giordano – Via video conference, Mark Wright – via video conference
Matt Fuller – via video conference, Greg Swart – in person

Public Discussion

Public discussion

- No public comments

Committee Discussion

- Work completed this past month: given by Dave Woods
 - Repairs on wing beam that hit a bridge, cost around \$2,000.00
 - John Deming noted that they were still in good shape with winter sand and salt
- Sidewalks to be replaced:
 - Will go out for quote to replace 300' on Lake George Ave. will determine area to be completed once the snow is gone to decide on what area is in the worst condition. Bids will go out on March 09, 2021. Will approve bids on next Highway meeting scheduled for March 30, 2021.
- Roads to be paved:
 - Will resurface Canfield Road this summer, with no plans to do any other roads or streets in the “village” area unless additional funds are available.
 - It was discussed whether a Form 284 should be submitted for this work. Joe G. informed us that this form is normally used at budgeting time, but would be helpful, and it would be beneficial to have a 5-year plan on roads to be paved.
- Repairs and replacements:
 - Stop light, replacement, a quote has been asked for still waiting for a detailed written quote, and new light will cost approximately \$18,000.00. The existing lights

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are over 20 years old and parts are no longer available. Sal B. is going to call other municipalities to see if they have parts for these lights.

- Would we consider a 4-way sign, it was decided that this is not a good idea?
- Review of quotes for street sweeper:
 - Original quote was for a RAV 5 iSeries for \$275,032.02 less trade in value of the existing sweeper, this quote was put in the budget for 2021. The highway department is now looking to purchase a Johnston VT 652 sweeper on a truck body. This will allow for quicker movement to outlying streets such as Black Point Road and Baldwin Road. This unit is available for \$268,320.00 less trade in value of the existing sweeper.
 - It was discussed whether large pieces of equipment could be used between departments, such as the Water and Sewer VAC truck. Could the new street sweeper be used as a replacement for the VAC truck or vice versa?
 - It was stated that scheduling between the two department could be an issue and it would be beneficial for the Hwy Dept. to be able to go out and clean and repair catch basins, which are done on an as needed basis when time allows.
 - The existing Sweeper will need to be surplused and used as a trade in or sold to another municipality, the value of this piece of equipment will need to be determined to come up with the cost to purchase the new sweeper and include that in a Resolution at the next town board meeting.
 - It was further discussed if the VAC unit on new truck was not included would that reduce the cost and could the Water and Sewer be used instead. It was determined that scheduling would be an ongoing issue and that the VAC unit on the new sweeper was not an option but standard equipment so the cost would not change.
- Roads that have been requested to be taken over by the town.
 - Myers and Keast Roads have been brought to our attention. The County list of town roads includes Myers but not Keast, so there is confusion as to the status of these two roads in particular.
 - Keast road leads to a single-family home, which may be sold in the near future. John Deming explained that Keast road was considered a County road which led from Montcalm to the Fort road and was cut off when the By-Pass was put in, in the early 60's. The portion from Rogers street through the lowlands was abandoned, except from the Keast house to the Fort Road. It was pointed out that whether a road is listed on the "CHIPS" list has no legal relevance to ownership of a road, and is recognized as an accounting tool. Additional research will have to be done to determine who owns this road. This will take a bit of work and research to be completed. It was determined that if the sale of the property did take place

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that would be the time to make a determination on ownership of the road, which would fall to the buyer to make that determination.

- Myers road: we had a residence asking about the Town taking ownership of that road. The County list indicates that this is designated as a Town Road.
- Work has been done on this road such as installation of town water and Sewer. An extension was added by a private citizen to add the Brown trailer park at the end of the road, so there is some agreement as to how far the Town presently maintains the road, but nothing conclusive as to ownership. The residence was given an opportunity to petition the Town to take ownership of the Road but nothing materialized at that time. There was discussion about continuing the road to create a “loop” but again nothing done.
- The Town does own the old railroad bed that is adjacent to Myers road and could be used as an extension of the existing road. According to John Deming the town does not own the road bed and nothing has been done by the residents to petition the town to take ownership of the road. The question is how much maintenance is the town required to perform.
- Dave Woods asked if the Town required to maintain this road for emergency purposes. Matt Fuller stated that statute 189 would come into play as to how much responsibility the Town has regarding this road and having maintained this road for a period is not the only “test” required under this statute. This could be discussed with the town board if it wanted to pursue this question.
- There is a “paper” road near Myers that could be used as an extension, which is part of the Cossey subdivision and part of that was taken over by the Town as a tax sale.
- John Deming stated that the limitations on the width of the street due to the existing structures, topography and ledge would make this street difficult to widen to meet present building specs. He cautioned the Town to move carefully in considering what to do with this particular street.
- There was a petition to look into this in 1939 and the town moved to get instructions from the town attorney at that time and as far as can be determined nothing further was done.
- There is documentation that the Street was owned by Joseph Myers.
- It was determined that more research is required to determine how the Town should proceed. It was agreed to bring this up at the town board meeting to discuss whether to move forward with more research in an effort to reach a determination on how best to proceed.
- Prior to 2013 the town did put in water and sewer infrastructure, but it is unknown how the petition process was done. There was a letter sent to the residents

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explaining how to petition the town to be able to dedicate the road. A search will be done to find the original correspondence to owners and update that and send out to the present owners to gauge their interest in the town taking over the road.

- This will be brought to the Town Board for them to decide whether this is something to be pursued or not as there is presently no urgent need to proceed with this.
- Discussion on the sidewalk plow; on whether it is the right machine for the town needs. Most of the town's sidewalks are 4' wide and this plow is 5' so other than Montcalm St. it is either damaging the sod on property owners or off the sidewalk toward the road causing an unplowed area.
 - Dave Woods stated that a machine on tracks is required as a machine with tires does not work well. He mentioned that possibly the plow could be smaller, but the machine is what is needed as it has a salt spreader incorporated where a smaller machine does not.
 - Joe G. pointed out that because the machine is wider than the sidewalk that one of the tracks are off the sidewalk so the machine is sitting at an angle and the plow is damaging the outside edge of the sidewalk, and also not cleaning off the snow on the side away from the street.
 - Tom Cunningham suggested that a narrower machine be looked into to find out if one is available.
- Surplused items: an update on how much was received for the items that were surplused, is still outstanding from the Highway Department.
- **Opened up to public discussion;**
 - Greg Swart mentioned that he suggested to purchase the truck with the Vacuum to clean out the catch basins.
 - Greg Swart advised that the Portage project is scheduled to start around April 01, 2021
 - Greg S. also mentioned that coordination between the Water and Sewer department and the Highway Department should take place regarding the Lead Pipe Replacement project, so the streets that are dug up can be repaved.
 - Joe G. brought up that we budgeted money for capital reserve for sidewalks, one is to repair and one is to replace. Going forward the Town board will need to separate funds in a resolution between repairs and replacement.
 - Joe G. asked if we have a record or schedule on catch basins and how long it would take to cycle through all of them. There is a list of basins but they have not been prioritized. Greg mentioned that the new GIS system will help in tracking this.

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Councilman Cunningham would encourage homeowners to stake out the side of their properties along the sidewalks, it is not mandatory, but it may help our operator know where the sidewalk ends and lawn begins.

Resolutions for the next town board meeting

- Resolution to purchase new street sweeper

Meeting was adjourned at 10:23 AM

Minutes were taken and prepared by the Committee Chairman Thomas F Cunningham

Building and Grounds - Dave Woods, Councilman

Minor Repairs are being completed.

Parks, Recreation, Historical Lands, Beach, Cemeteries and Monuments - Joyce Cooper Councilwoman

**Minutes
Parks and Recreation Committee
February 16, 2021**

The committee met in person with Elisha Bartlett, Jerry Cooper, Bill Dolback, Nancy Kelley, Grant Spaulding, and Chair Joyce Cooper in attendance. Joining virtually were Joe Giordano, Tom Cunningham, and Mark Wright. Co-chair Dave Woods and committee member Tonya Thompson were unable to attend.

Joyce reaffirmed that committee members for 2021 are as follows: Elisha Bartlett, Jerry Cooper, Dorsey Crammond, Bill Dolback, Nancy Kelley, Grant Spaulding, Tonya Thompson, Joyce Cooper as Chair and Dave Woods as Co-Chair.

French Sawmill Project: Elisha Bartlett gave an update on the project with each member receiving a copy of project's design which has been developed by AES Northeast. Supervisor Giordano was also able to display the plans virtually. There was much discussion regarding the project among committee members and those joining virtually. There was concern expressed about potential noise and safety issues regarding the mill as well as its surrounding grounds and the diversion of the La Chute when the sawmill is in operation. Better fencing and improved road access were suggested. The committee was pleased the project had progressed to the design phase and expressed hope that the project would not disturb other park activities such as 4th of July fireworks, fishing, and kayaking/canoeing.

Park Winter Activities: It was proposed that the Upper La Chute Trail be groomed for winter activities such as cross country skiing or snowshoeing and maybe extended along the entire La Chute River Trail. It was noted that the upper trail parking is limited and the connection from

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this trail to the trestle bridge area has yet to be designed and completed. Chair Joyce Cooper suggested that it might be best to concentrate on the trail in Recreation Park. This trail was designated for winter activities in the past. It was agreed that the snow on the Recreational Park walking trail will not be removed during the 2021-22 winter season to allow snowshoeing and cross country skiing. The committee can revisit this park use in the spring of 2022 to determine next steps.

Snowmobiling on Park Lands: The local snowmobile club did not mark a trail in Recreational and Bicentennial Parks this year and snowmobiles have been all over these parks this winter, especially in Recreation Park. This has caused some damage and presents a safety issue for people walking and children sledding in the parks. Next year signs will be placed near the Kissing Bridge and other park locations informing the public that snowmobiles are allowed on marked trails only.

The Adirondack Snowmobile Club has expressed concerns regarding snowmobiles using the parks in this manner and has requested a conversation with the committee. It is hoped the March meeting can be devoted to this topic, and the committee can get a better understanding of all trails within the town.

Bicentennial Park: Joyce Cooper informed the committee that due to ongoing safety issues with the wooden playground structures it is time to replace them. These structures were donated and built by Ticonderoga Kiwanis Club many years ago. New swings and a slide are top priorities. Some money is available from Cycle Adirondacks and Kiwanis can potentially provide funds and volunteer labor also. The club has been informed of this decision. It is possible that the playground may also have to be enlarged due to mandated use areas for equipment.

There was extended discussion regarding replacing a section of the blacktop trail in the park. The new blacktop would have a better base and be wider. However, concerns that this replacement would be expensive (\$20,000 or more), could possibly not be the solution to drainage issues in the park, and this new pavement may not last long because of these continuing issues. The committee agreed that the first step is to contact Essex County Soil and Water to request their evaluation and/or check with our engineering company AES regarding a potential engineering study. Some long-term resolution of this problem can then be determined.

The Whitely Statue: It is hoped the wooden statue of Robert Rogers will be in the ground near the new daylight stream by early summer. Grant Spaulding and a member of the community plan to help with the project.

The committee's next meeting scheduled for March 16th will be entirely virtual.

Councilwoman Cooper would like to say how fortunate the Town is to have the Parks and Rec. committee whose members are so dedicated and passionate about our parks and our recreational opportunities. She would also like to mention that the volunteers who headed the construction of

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our Disc Golf course and our Dog Park and the Pickle Ball opportunities in our Town, long before larger communities such as Glens Falls and Queensbury were even thinking about that. We have them now. Thanks to Kiwanis Club of Ticonderoga we have a park playground for young children to enjoy using equipment that Kiwanis purchased and installed. We have a young man, a boy scout that is 16 years old, Monty Benedict and he is working on a project to improve our basket ball courts which are right next to our skating rink. He is presently trying to raise money for the project, his goals are to restore all the baskets, put benches in and possibly replace all of the pavement there. If you would like to know how he is doing on this project, she suggests that you check out the GoFundMe Page to see how he is doing, maybe he could still use some help.

Supervisor Giordano understands that his fund raising efforts have been extended into this weekend. We have had a number of Eagle Scouts in recent years that have done quite a bit in the community to improve a number of parks, the beach and most recently, Monty's brother, Terrence worked on the Announcers stand at the Little League field. It is really exciting when you get the youth in the community spear heading these projects and especially when you get the community members and residents to also assist financially in trying to restore what has been for many their playgrounds when they were younger, it is a wonderful way to give back and it certainly is a nice positive aspect of being in the community to help out and preserve for those younger and coming up the ranks. This is a town park and certainly building and grounds committee has had some discussion about chiming in with some of these efforts that Monty is putting forth as he looks to replace the basketball backboards, the rims, do some of the line painting, putting in some benches. We have some money allocated to do some improvements as well in that area, so we would certainly like to partner with him to make sure that we can make this a wonderful improvement to the community and especially for our youth of every age. You can do a simple search of GoFundMe - Ticonderoga, Monty Benedict and it should bring it up.

Resolution #78-2021 brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Joseph Giordano to appoint Tonya Thompson to the Building, Grounds, Parks, Recreation, Historical Lands, Beach, Monuments, & Cemeteries. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Mark Russell - Absent. **Carried.**

Human Services: Youth - Mark Russell, Councilman
Report later in these minutes.

Human Services: Seniors - Tom Cunningham, Councilman

Looking into getting the Pickle Ball opened up, waiting on regulations. We have a new part-time bus driver and the bus will begin operation every day of the week, starting on Monday.

Municipal Facility Evaluation - Mark Russell, Councilman (report by Tom Cunningham)

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There was a tour of the Hudson Headwaters Building, with AES and members of the committee to evaluate a few things and try to come up with some potential uses for that building if it is a feasible facility moving forward and what uses we could use it for. We are waiting on comments from AES on a potential Police Department, Town Offices, maybe some county offices on different floors. We are taking steps on evaluating some of the larger vacant buildings to determine what is best for the residents and what to do with some of our other facilities.

Public Works - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

**Town of Ticonderoga
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2021
10:30 am**

Committee Members Present: Supervisor Giordano, Derrick Fleury, Eric Blanchard and Tom Cunningham

Committee Member Absent: Nancy Treadway

Others: Greg Swart (*AES*), Jocelyn Racette (*AES*), Matt Fuller, and Mark Wright

Public Comment

No Public Comment

Items for Discussion

1. 7 McCaughin Road – Vacant parcel (Tax Map #151.1 -1 -1.000) – The Town received an inquiry about this property with regard to what the possibility is of adding the parcel into the Shore Airport Road water district. Currently the property is an out of district, water contract user.
 - a. Greg shared maps of the parcel with the Committee. Discussion took place on the property with regard to its general location to Shore Airport Road, and where the current waterline runs in the area, which is across the road along Maplewood Drive.
 - i. As with other requests with regard to being added to a district, it is recommended that a MPR be submitted to the Town that outlines what the proposed plan would be for the property.

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Derrick Fleury - Water/Wastewater Superintendent Report

1. Colt Russell recently got his Class D water license. He's interested in being a Water Operator, and Derrick would like to send him to some more schooling.
 - a. Supervisor Giordano commented that it's encouraging to hear that he's interested in becoming an operator, and that it would be ideal to have him get the experience through more training. Tom also agrees that furthering his education would be great, and would be very helpful to have another person trained.
 - i. Derrick will research when there will be classes available, and will bring the information to the Town Board for approval.

2. Well Pump #2
 - a. A purchase order is being worked on for the motor at the well building to get fixed. The motor manufacturer is claiming that it was a power surge. However, there's no way to tell for sure if that's how it was damaged. When the motor was taken apart, apparently it had the appearance of being damaged by a power surge, but that really can't be proven or disputed. Instead of going through Gallo to contract out Layne for the work, it would make more sense to have the Town work with Layne directly. There's no back up pump right now, so this is a priority to get fixed.
 - b. It's suggested that the Town submit a claim to the insurance company as soon as possible so that the insurance adjuster can look at all of the information. Supervisor Giordano will look into the process of submitting the paperwork.
 - c. There's a conference call next week to go over the electrical components for surge protection.

3. Old Burleigh House property
 - a. The owner of the property is looking to do a renovation and they would like put new perimeter drains around the building. We asked that if they do that, they should also take the roof drainage out of the sewer and put it into the catch basin instead, which they seemed to have no issue doing. The property owner asked if a letter from the Town could be issued stating that they could tie their perimeter drain and roof drains into the catch basin near the street. However, that should be addressed by the Planning Board. Derrick will discuss the matter further with the Building Inspector so that he can inform the Planning Board of this discussion and the property owner's request.

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Additional topic of discussion

1. Supervisor Giordano commented that there was one item that was addressed at the Highway Committee meeting that he would like to discuss with the Water and Sewer Committee. The Highway Dept. is looking to possibly purchase a vac truck (for street sweeping) and he wanted to get a history of the use of the vac truck within the water and wastewater dept.
 - a. Derrick commented that the vac truck is used for water leaks, dewatering man holes, and cleaning out man holes, pipes and catch basins. The vac truck is not a street sweeper, and does not have the capability of being one as there are no attachments for that use. Supervisor Giordano asked how many man holes and catch basins are serviced, and Derrick mentioned that there are hundreds of man holes that the vac truck services, as needed. Problematic areas are documented, and about twice a year the catch basins are done. The Highway Dept. usually works with Richie on the cleaning of the catch basins, and there's never an issue if the highway asks to use the vac truck. Richie does all of the maintenance on the truck and knows the equipment well so that's why he's usually the operator.
 - b. Supervisor Giordano asked the year of the vac truck, and if a jetter is a common feature. Derrick responded that the truck is a 2014 and they tend to hold their value. A street sweeper is not going to have the capabilities of what the vac truck has. It has a 3,000 PSI hose that's used for cleaning the sewers and catch basins and also has a huge blower.
 - i. Derrick was thanked for the information, and it's suggested to have Tom continue to look into what option makes the most sense for the Highway Dept.

AES Report

1. Veterans Road
 - a. SHPO has been submitted; SEQR still needs to be updated.
 - b. AES will work with the County on financing.
 - c. The redesign work is underway, but the presence of rock is much worse than expected. Discussion took place on what options there are to handle the rock.

Option 1: Using directional rock drilling would put the project way over budget and isn't considered the best option. The estimated cost is around \$300,000 just to do the rock bore alone.

Option 2: While Essex County is doing excavation work for the bridge culvert design, a contractor could remove the rock. The water main could be direct buried or a sleeve can be installed to allow the waterline to be pulled through at a later date. The total cost is estimated to be around \$157,465.00, but

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the downside would be that by having to coordinate with the County's contractor, the overlap of projects would complicate payments and the reimbursement process as well.

Option 3: A better option would be to put the pipe back where it is now as there is a decent amount of depth, and an insulated pipe could be used. Work can be done within the shoulder of the road, which would limit the impact to the existing bridge/culvert replacement project. This option is the most affordable of the three due to the absence of rock boring and a reduction in trench depth. The estimated cost would be around \$145,865.00. A map of the area was shared with the Committee that showed the existing culvert and pipe.

- d. Tom inquired what the County's Scope of Work is for the replacement of the culvert. Greg commented that it will be dug up and replaced with a different style, but similar to what is there though. Greg will connect with the County next week to figure out a game plan of moving the project forward.
2. Project Planning
 - a. AES applied for a 50% grant for water meters (just under \$2,000,000). Overall financing depends upon Chilson/Eagle Lake as that takes priority for funding due to the DOJ Consent Decree.
 - b. A workshop should be planned for some time in March, and the Town will need to make a few decisions:
 - Routing of the bypass water main - what route to choose. AES will provide recommendations for possible routes that will also fix other issues.
 - Defiance/Abercrombie Tank
 - What the Town would like to do with the Baldwin Plant - Eliminate the plant or take on long term operating costs and liability

3. Water Softening

- a. The preliminary report recommends a phased approach.

Phase 1: Chemical Sequestration

- Chemical will keep the hardness constituents in suspension/dissolution
- Reduces settling/clogging/staining
- Does not change taste or "feel" of the water
- Need to verify chemicals work in hot water
- Many chemicals are phosphorus based and we must verify that this does not have an impact on the WWTP
- This may or may not address all of the water users' concerns, but should eliminate the majority of them

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- This is probably \$25,000 +/-

Phase 2: Ion exchange (softening)

- Would be a new building located in the Village area
- Would soften the water to a desired level (not fully soft)
- Would generate wastewater
- Would not address Street Road
- This is probably \$500,000-\$1,000,000
(Equipment alone is \$350,000)

- b. More information can be provided at the next meeting, and it would be a good idea to work with the DOH on this as well. Greg will also be sure that O&M costs get included in the report for next month.
4. Water District Consolidation
 - a. The last two workshops have been productive, and there's another workshop planned for late March.
 5. WWTP Temporary Ventilation
 - a. Discussion took place on the bid results, and a decision on which contractor to award the project to will need a Town Board Resolution.
 - b. The work will be paid for either out of capital reserves or fund balance. Derrick's preference would be to see the base bid done and alternate #1 as those would be the most important areas.
 6. SPDES Permit
 - a. We will have a call next week to discuss details.
 - Check timeline for submittal of wet weather operation plan
 - Check timeline for submittal of revised LTCP – Maybe submit the report in 2022
 - Check completion date for the collection system mapping of outfall 003 and send email with status/justification
 - Check timeline for meeting the phosphorus concentration limit of 1.0 mg/L
 7. Annual Report
 - a. The report has been completed.
 8. LaChute River – Changing from a Class B to Class C
 - a. Class C set backs are a lot stricter, and need a variance through APA.

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- b. Tom asked that PRIDE be informed of this change as well as they are working on the French Sawmill project.
 - c. Greg commented that a meeting next week would be a good idea to discuss this further, and a call for Monday afternoon at 12:00 pm was set up. The information can also be re-visited in March before the formal comment period.
 9. The Portage Project
 - a. The project is in winter shut down, but is expected to start back up April 1st and at this point is on target to be done in 2021.
 - b. There's a bit more ledge that was discovered on Champlain Avenue to Cannonball Path which increases costs to remove it. However, if nothing else pops up with the project it could stay within the budget. Maps were shown of the area and discussion took place on the current piping.
 - c. Most likely around July or August a decision can be made about Battery Street and Defiance Street.
 - d. AES is continuing to work on the lateral changes for a few parcels, and has a few easements to do for 167 The Portage, 169 The Portage and 171 The Portage. Greg has been in contact with the owner of the properties, David Wright. Greg showed a map of the areas in question.
 - e. Survey crews were down on Monday trying to get at least an initial layout of the project area. Electrical service with National Grid will be needed for the pump station. Derrick has talked with Verizon and they will work on trying to get poles switched over from the old ones to new ones. Bridgepoint has also been contacted and they said they could move their lines before the project restarts. A contact for Spectrum is needed through, but Matt has a contact that he will send to the Town.
 10. Evaluations of Pump Stations
 - a. AES is finishing up office evaluations.
 11. GIS System
 - a. Max is working on setting up the system/account. ESRI is the company and the information is all cloud based. AES would like to do a kick off presentation once the data is ready to present. The system can be used for many reasons, such as creating work orders, and tracking
 12. War Cannon
 - a. Greg provided a letter with follow up comments that Derrick forwarded to War Cannon. If a meeting with Essex County IDA is set up, Greg could participate.

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13. Funding

- a. AES applied for a GIGP grant for ventilation and the sewer system study.
- b. Greg asked if the Town would be doing an income survey for OCR or CDBG funds for the Chilson/Eagle Lake Project area. If so, it's recommended to start the process ASAP with the County, but if not AES could start one for possibly a lateral project and/or a project on Holcomb Avenue.
 - i. Supervisor Giordano commented that Community Resources mentioned that it was not favorable for the Chilson/Eagle Lake project as the area already qualifies, but possibly do one next year.
 - ii. Greg will talk with Anna at Community Resources to come up with a game plan.

14. Letters of Authorization (LOA) and AES Term Contract

- a. AES updated the LOA's pertaining to their work, and also their Term Contract to be presented to the Town Board for approval.

15. Lead Service Line Replacement

- a. The information is out for review, and AES will give Derrick a set of plans. There were a few streets that were eliminated and still on the map, but Greg will clean up the final version.
 - i. A Town Board Resolution will be needed for the project to go out to bid.
- b. The Town is starting to receive responses back from the mailing, and some people are calling with questions.

16. Discussion took place on moving the March 30th Water and Sewer Committee Meeting to March 23rd instead. As all of the Committee Members, Matt and AES would be available, the meeting will move to the 23rd at 10:30 am.

Supervisor Giordano adjourned the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting at 12:30 pm.

The next Committee Meeting will take place on March 23, 2021 at 10:30 am.

Supervisor Giordano noted that additional conversations have been held with our other engineering firm B&L regarding alternatives for the Chilson/Eagle Lake water system. February 25th we moved forward with the Map, Planning Report Process. Working with the engineers on some items that were brought forth such as using some of the existing pipe along the Chilson/Eagle Lake area. Our employees did meet to look at the line and did some analysis with

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their understanding of that system and the pipe. They came up with basically two alternatives - one that includes use of that pipe and one that would not. At this stage we are looking to get back in touch with the residents to give them the options in order to move forward with the petition process for us to get this tee'd up for submission in June. Alternative 1 would include pumping water up and over Chilson Hill and down the back side utilizing a portion of the pipe and on to Eagle lake, this would be done from our existing wells on this side of Chilson Hill and Alternative 2 would be to have two separate districts - one to cover Chilson and one that would involve a separate well control building for Eagle Lake and private wells in between. We need to have some conversation on this, because the ultimate intent here is to have the residents drive this petition process forward and we have been working through all the different opportunities through grant funding as well between our eligibility with EFC's drinking water revolving state fund grants as well as the potential for other grants...to help further reduce. The other item would be to put forth some additional push towards our federal representative and senators and see if we can get those additional monies to bring this into the ball park to their realm of reasonable affordability. We are trying to coordinate with residents to try to set up some meetings and get this ball rolling again.

Health Insurance - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

No Meeting

Contract Negotiations - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

No meeting

I.T./Cable T.V. - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

This letter will serve as notice that on or around April 1, Spectrum Northeast, LLC, ("Spectrum"), will eliminate standard definition and launch high definition of Zee TV on PSF Zee TV Hindi Pass Packages/Hindi View Packages on channels 1533 and 2508 on the channel line-up serving your community.

This letter will serve as notice that on or around April 9, 2021, Spectrum Northeast, LLC, ("Spectrum"), will launch Entertainment Studios channels Pets.TV, Recipe.TV, Cars.TV and Justice Central to SPP Tier 1 and Spectrum TV Essentials on the channel lineup serving your community.

Computer workstations are ready to be deployed here at the town, just working out some additional items that need to be worked through with each department before that takes place. This has been a long time coming. We will have updated, email, computers, connection to server. Councilman Cunningham will assist with some of that educational components with the staffing so we can really improve our efficiency with which we do our business in. This will make it easier to share documents with all of our consultants such as our attorney and engineers and so forth.

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Resolutions for Consideration

Resolution #80-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Cunningham to accept minutes of Regular TB Meeting February 11, 2021, the Finance Meeting of February 25, 2021 and the Special TB Meeting March 4, 2021. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Mark Russell - Absent.
Carried.

(Councilman Russell arrived in attendance to the meeting 7:06 p.m.)

Resolution #81-2021 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Joyce Cooper to authorize a \$4,000 contribution to the Lake George Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program in partnership with the Lake George Park Commission and other Lake George municipalities with moneys to come from budgeted funds (A6989.479). **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Whereas, aquatic invasive species pose a serious threat to the waters of Lake George Park and can cause significant detrimental impacts to the ecology and economy of the Lake George Park; and

Whereas, the intent of the aquatic invasive species prevention program is to prohibit introduction of aquatic invasive species to Lake George and the waters of the Lake George Park, and to minimize spread of AIS from Lake George to other water bodies; and

Whereas, this program inspects tailored vessels prior to launch into the waters of the Lake George Park and upon retrieval from those waters, in order to help ensure vessels are free from aquatic invasive species; and

Whereas, the current inspection start and stop dates of May 1 and November 1 will be extended to April 15 and December 15 by amending Section 646-9.2 of the existing regulation;

Now Therefore be it resolved, that in collaborative agreement with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and in collective partnership with the Lake George Park Commission and other neighboring Lake George municipalities, the Town of Ticonderoga hereby desires to contribute \$4,000 toward the costs of extending the boat inspection program to April 15 through December 15.

Councilman Cunningham wanted the public to know that he received a mailing today from the Lake George Park Association and they are merging with the Lake George Fund, they will become one organization going forward. Those two important groups that do a lot for Lake George and they will be merging, which is a benefit to have them working as a single unit as opposed to working separately.

Supervisor Giordano also wanted to point out that the Lake George Park Commission sent out a letter bringing attention to property owners who have streams. There is a new rule that goes into effect April 1st to protect streams surrounding Lake George and the Lake itself. So if you are

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property owner neighboring a stream you will be receiving this and it lays out some considerations regarding the buffering of those streams to protect the containments from getting into the lake.

Councilman Cunningham also want to mention that there is a movement afoot with some communities along the lake to try to get the LGPC to start overseeing and inspecting septic systems. Right now there is no single entity that is taking over that responsibility, so septic systems around the lake are not being inspected. Nobody is overseeing them. The LGPC by law has the authority to do this when they were formed and there is some movement with local communities to try to get them to take up that responsibility and move forward with inspections. There is a white paper our there and he will be submitting it to the board for review and we can make a determination on whether or not that is something that we want to resolve to put support behind.

Human Services: Youth - Mark Russell, Councilman

At the last meeting, there was discussion regarding the challenges of COVID as far as opening the facility, but we wanted to look at the holistic approach of making sure of our programs, as we roll them back out, have a robust program to address all of our youth. We do have some good engagement with the Silver Bay Association and are looking forward to them participating at our next meeting to get into some further discussion about the teen center, and we will have some discussion around the viability of the full-time Recreation Supervisor Position. We'll shortly need to start to roll into planning for our summer programs and how we will address those at the next couple of meetings.

Resolution #82-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Mark Russell authorizing the following budget adjustments

- A.2770 General Revenue (\$188.99)
- A.1620.462 General Buildings – Repairs & Maint. \$188.99
- **Return funds from returned merchandise**
- SS07.8130.490 Sewer District Fund Balance (\$450.78)
- SS07.8130.405 Sewer District Contractual \$450.78

Fund underfunded account from SS07 Fund Balance

All in Favor Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed - none. Carried.**

Resolution #83-2021 brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Tom Cunningham to Pay the Abstract #3-2021. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed - none. Carried.**

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3/11/2021

Board Meeting Date	3/11/2021			
Gross Payroll #4	99,162.46			
Gross Payroll #5	96,586.11			
Trust & Agency Total	\$197,748.57			
Pre-Pays:	\$0.00			
ABSTRACT #3	3/11/2021	Cash Transfers:	YTD Revenue	YTD Expenses:
General (A)	115,933.34	115,933.34	3,459,234.54	795,837.68
CD20 LaChute Trail Connector		-		
CD21 LIISC Zombie		-		
CM Library Trust Special		-		
Highway (DA)	51,752.48	51,752.48	1,057,388.28	265,489.11
H17 - Ticonderoga Airport Improvements		-		
H18 - Airport Pavement Management	9,584.47	9,584.47	3,597.11	9,971.39
H19 - Airport Apron Reconstruction / Taxiway Rehab	794.30	794.30	10,429.98	1,083.17
H20 - Airport Environmental Assessment				1,800.00
H36 - C/P Chilson Res. Replacement	11,296.85	11,296.85	0.16	11,296.85
H45 - C/P Equipment Purchase		-		
H48 - FEMA Chilson Water Main		-	263,001.92	
H49 - GGCP Daylight Streaming		518.50		
H50 - C/P WQIP WWTP Disinfection	518.50	-	822.84	1,338.25
H51 - Res & Design French Sawmill	13,218.75	-		18,778.00
H53 - Clean Water Main Project		-	240,811.81	240,811.81
H54 - LaChute Signage Grant		-		
H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know		-	0.26	
H57 - Parking Lot Cannonball Path		-	0.07	
H58 - WWTP HVAC Project		-		
H59 - LCBP Storm Water Sewer Separation		-	124,501.33	
H60 - Veterans RD Culvert/Bridge NY Project	9,429.48	-		15,355.73
H61 - Chilson/Eagle Lake Water Exploration	1,312.00	31,000.45	4,079.99	1,696.00
H62 - Lead Service Line Replacement Grant	6,506.52			15,803.06
H63 - Water Meter Project	533.70			3,902.65
PN - Permanent Fund Mt. Hope Cemetary				
SF01 - Ticonderoga Town/Village Joint Fire District			526,950.00	526,950.00
SF02 - Chilson Fire Protection District			74,645.00	74,645.00
Claymore Sewer District (SS01)	40.82		1,534.18	476.45
Park Ave Sewer District (SS02)	26.46		11,956.42	11,376.85
Alex Ave Sewer District (SS03)	371.78		8,168.28	8,342.81
Homelands Sewer Dist (SS04)	138.94		4,391.68	4,651.59
Central Sewer (SS05)	81,311.05	84,272.69	303,745.88	338,055.83
Commerce Park Sewer (SS06)	108.35		18,330.13	16,428.99
Delano Point Sewer (SS07)	1,127.85		4,854.73	5,320.48
Baldwin Road Sewer Dist (SS08)	133.27		10,953.19	6,261.03
Black Point Road Sewer (SS09)	729.62		64,870.10	92,205.08
Hague Road Sewer (SS10)	12.67		2,938.09	2,421.43
9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)	271.88		7,066.57	6,636.90
9N & 74 Water (SW01)			15,355.42	14,747.40
Street Road Water (SW02)			7,623.31	6,085.80
Alex Avenue I Water District (SW03)			6,307.22	6,048.00
Homelands Water District (SW04)			2,531.79	2,397.60
Alex Ave II Water District (SW05)			9,632.05	9,363.60
Central Water (SW06)	30,990.12	153,187.11	265,175.88	167,262.12
Park Ave Water Dist (SW07)			7,233.50	7,122.60
Shore Airport Water (SW09)	122,196.99		57,032.48	142,488.74
Multi Account Total	458,340.19	458,340.19	6,575,164.19	2,832,452.00
Total Expenditures: This Abstract	\$656,088.76	TRUE		

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Resolution #84-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Mark Russell to accept the Supervisor's Report as submitted. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Supervisor's Report
3/1/2021

Account Title	GFNB	NYCLASS	GFNB ICS	Total
General	149,140.13	166,315.41	5,619,479.30	5,934,934.84
Airport	17,291.93			17,291.93
Highway	96,647.90	83,745.70	2,209,712.25	2,390,105.85
H17 - Airport	-			-
H36 - Master Drinking Water				-
H48 - FEMA CH. W.A.M.A.				-
H51 - R&D French Sawmill				-
Clean Water H49 H50 H53	57,278.09			57,278.09
H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know				-
H57 - Parking Lot Cannonball Path				-
H58 - WWTP - HVAC Planning Grant	-			-
H59 - LCBP NETWPC				-
H61 - Chilson Eagle Lake Project	-			-
All other Capital Projects	1,196,119.40			
SS05 & All Districts	22,649.60	682,575.95	911,016.81	1,616,242.36
SW06 - Central Water All Districts	32,296.22	503,455.64	866,382.22	1,402,134.08
C/R - Carillon Park	-	5,403.05		5,403.05
C/R - Liberty Monument	-	532.60		532.60
C/R - Unemployment	-	29,177.24		29,177.24
C/R - Police Equipment	-	57,365.71		57,365.71
C/R - Senior Bus	-	322.76		322.76
C/R - Frazier Bridge	-	6,969.57		6,969.57
C/R - Forfeiture	-	1,826.36		1,826.36
C/R - Building Improvement	0	343,464.59		343,464.59
C/R - Highway Equipment	-	52,359.18		52,359.18
C/R - Sewer Equipment + Infrastructure	-	306,023.90		306,023.90
C/R - Sewer Repair	-	105,925.06		105,925.06
C/R - Water Equipment + Infrastructure	-	256,485.36		256,485.36
C/R - Water Repair	-	17,102.34		17,102.34
0	-			-
Library Trust	0	33,993.83		33,993.83
Mount Hope Cemetery	0	34,148.01		34,148.01
				12,669,086.71
Total	1,571,423.27	2,687,192.26	9,606,590.58	13,865,206.11

Resolution #85-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Mark Russell to surplus the following Highway items 10x32 Broom Bristles (7 Boxes) and 1 275 Oil Tank & Pump with Plastic Dike.

All in Favor Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson - Nothing to report

Attorney, Matt Fuller

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Resolution #86-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded by Joyce Cooper adopting Local Law #2 of 2021 repealing Local Law #2 of 2008 Titled “A Local Law Providing for Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or Older”. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution No. 86 of 2021
Adopted March 11, 2021

Introduced by Mark Russell
who moved its adoption

Seconded by Joyce Cooper

RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW REPEALING LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2008 TITLED “A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER”

WHEREAS, the assessor of the Town of Ticonderoga (“Town”) has advised the Town Board that certain changes to New York Real Property Tax Law §467(1)(b) require the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga (the “Town Board”) to update and replace its Local Law providing for partial real property tax exemption for persons 65 years of age or older, currently adopted as Local Law 2 of 2008; and

WHEREAS, a proposed Local Law repealing Local Law 2 of 2008 has been drafted by counsel to the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town scheduled a public hearing to be held before the Town Board on March 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Offices of the Town of Ticonderoga, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, New York, to hear all interested parties on the proposed Local Law; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly posted and then published in the *Sun Community News*, the official newspaper of the Town, pursuant to and in conformance with Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to comment on the proposed Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

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RESOLVED, the Town Board, upon due deliberation of the proposed Local Law and the comments presented at the public hearing, finds that the adoption of the same shall be in the best interests of the Town; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2021 repealing local law 2 of 2008, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of this resolution, is hereby adopted and shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Department of State; and be it further

RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Joseph Giordano, Supervisor	Aye
Mark Russell, Councilman	Aye
Tom Cunningham, Councilman	Aye
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman	Aye
Dave Woods, Councilman	Aye

{Seal}

Tonya Thompson, Town Clerk
Town of Ticonderoga

**TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK
LOCAL LAW No. 2 of 2021**

A LOCAL LAW REPEALING LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2008 TITLED “A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER”

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga, as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.

The Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga wishes to repeal Local Law 2 of 2008 titled “A Local Law Providing For Partial Real Property Tax Exemption For Persons 65 Years Of Age Or Older”.

Section 2. Repealer.

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Local Law 2 of the year 2008 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 3. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this Local Law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

Section 14. Effective Date.

This chapter shall take effect immediately upon filing of Local Law 2 of 2020 with the Secretary of State.

Resolution #87-2021 brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Mark Russell adopting proposed Local Law Titled “A Local Law Providing for Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or Older”. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution No. 87 of 2021
Adopted March 11, 2021

Introduced by Joyce Cooper
who moved its adoption

Seconded by Mark Russell

RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW TITLED “A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER”

WHEREAS, the assessor of the Town of Ticonderoga (“Town”) has advised the Town Board that certain changes to New York Real Property Tax Law §467(1)(b) require the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga (the “Town Board”) to update and replace its Local Law

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providing for partial real property tax exemption for persons 65 years of age or older, currently adopted as Local Law 2 of 2008; and

WHEREAS, a proposed Local Law providing for partial exemption for persons 65 years of age and older has been drafted by counsel to the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town scheduled a public hearing to be held before the Town Board on March 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Offices of the Town of Ticonderoga, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, New York, to hear all interested parties on the proposed Local Law; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly posted and then published in the *Sun Community News*, the official newspaper of the Town, pursuant to and in conformance with Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to comment on the proposed Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, the Town Board, upon due deliberation of the proposed Local Law and the comments presented at the public hearing, finds that the adoption of the same shall be in the best interests of the Town; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2021 law providing for partial real property tax exemption for persons 65 years of age or older in the Town of Ticonderoga, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of this resolution, is hereby adopted and shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Department of State; and be it further

RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Joseph Giordano, Supervisor	Aye
Mark Russell, Councilman	Aye
Tom Cunningham, Councilman	Aye
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman	Aye
Dave Woods, Councilman	Aye

{Seal}

Tonya Thompson, Town Clerk
Town of Ticonderoga

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TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK
Local Law No. 3 of 2021**

A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga, as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent.

The Board hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interests of the Town to offer to its residents sixty-five (65) years of age or older a real property tax exemption. Therefore, the purpose of this Local Law is to provide the maximum benefit permissible to the residents of the Town sixty-five (65) years of age or older.

Section 2. Partial Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or Older.

a. Pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 467(1)(b), the Town shall provide a partial exemption of real property taxes for owners of real property situated within the bounds of the Town of Ticonderoga, County of Essex, State of New York, which is owned by one or more persons, each of whom is 65 years of age or over, or which is owned by husband and wife, one of whom is 65 years of age or over. Such exemption shall be based upon the assessed valuation of the exempt real property and shall be computed after all other partial exemptions allowed by law, excluding the school tax relief (STAR) exemption authorized by Real Property Tax Law Section 425, have been subtracted from the total amount assessed. The partial real property tax exemption shall be calculated in accordance with the following schedule:

Annual Income	Percentage of Assessed Valuation Exempt from Taxation
\$0 to \$24,999	50%
\$25,000 to \$25,999	45%
\$26,000 to \$26,999	40%
\$27,000 to \$27,999	35%
\$28,000 to \$28,899	30%
\$28,900 to \$29,799	25%

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\$29,800 to \$30,699	20%
\$30,700 to \$31,599	15%
\$31,600 to \$32,499	10%
\$32,500 to \$33,399	5%

b. Annual income shall include the income of the owner or the combined income of the owners of the property for the income year immediately preceding the date of making an application for exemption. Income tax year shall mean the twelve month period for which the owner or owners filed a federal personal income tax return, or if no such return was filed the calendar year. Where the title is vested in either the husband or the wife, their combined income may not exceed such sum, except where the husband or wife, or ex-husband or ex-wife is absent from the property, because of divorce, legal separation or abandonment, then only the income of the spouse or ex-spouse residing on the property shall be considered and may not exceed such sum. Such income shall include social security and retirement benefits, interest, dividends, total gain from the sale or exchange of a capital asset which may be offset by a loss from the sale or exchange of a capital asset in the same income tax year, net rental income, salary or earnings, and net income from self-employment, but shall not include a return of capital, gifts, inheritances, payments made to individuals because of their status as victims of the Nazi persecution, or monies earned through employment in the federal foster grandparent program, any such income shall be offset by all medical and prescription drug expenses actually paid which were not reimbursed or paid for by insurance. In addition, such income shall not include veterans disability compensation, as defined in Title 38 of the United States Code. In computing net rental income and net income from self-employment no depreciation deduction shall be allowed for the exhaustion, wear and tear of real or personal property held for the production of income.

Section 3. Exclusions.

a. No exemption shall be granted:

1. unless the owner shall have held an exemption under Real Property Tax Law Section 467 for his previous residence or unless the title of the property shall have been vested in the owner or one of the owners of the property for at least twenty four (24) consecutive months prior to the date of making the application for exemption, provided, however, that in the event of the death of either husband or wife in whose name title of the property shall have been vested at the time of death and then becomes vested solely in the survivor by virtue of devise by or decent from the deceased husband or wife, the time of ownership of the property by the deceased husband or wife shall be deemed also a time of ownership by the survivor and such ownership shall be deemed continuous for the purposes of computing such period of twenty four (24) consecutive months. In the event of a transfer by either a husband or wife to the other spouse of all or part of the title to the property, the time of ownership of the property by the transferor

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spouse shall be deemed also a time of ownership by the transferee spouse and such ownership shall be deemed continuous for the purposes of computing such period of twenty four (24) consecutive months Where property of the owner or owners has been acquired to replace property formerly owned by such owner or owners and taken by eminent domain or the involuntary proceeding, except a tax sale, the period of ownership of the former property shall be combined with the period or ownership of the property for which application is made for exemption and such periods of ownership shall be deemed to be consecutive for purposes of this Local Law. Where a residence is sold and replaced with another within one year and both residences are within the State, the period of ownership of both properties shall be deemed consecutive for purposes of the exemption from taxation. Where the owner or owners transfer title to property which as of the date of transfer was exempt from taxation under the provisions of this Local Law, the reacquisition of title by such owner or owners within nine months of the date of transfer shall be deemed to satisfy the requirement of this subdivision that the title of the property shall have been vested in the owner or one of the owners for such period of twenty four (24) consecutive months. Where, upon or subsequent to the death of an owner or owners, title to property which as of the date of such death was exempt from taxation under such provisions, becomes vested, by virtue of devise or descent from the deceased owner or owners, or by transfer by any other means within nine months after such death, solely in a person or persons who, at the time of such death, maintained such property as a primary residence, the requirement of this subdivision that the title of the property shall have been vested in the owner or one of the owners for such period of twenty four (24) consecutive months shall be deemed satisfied;

2. unless the property is used exclusively for residential purposes; however, in the event any portion of such property is not so used exclusively for residential purposes but is used for other purposes, such portion shall be subject to taxation and the remaining portion only shall be entitled to the exemption provided by this Local Law;

3. unless the real property is the legal residence of and is occupied in whole or in part by the owner or by all of the owners of the property, except where:

i. an owner is absent from the residence while receiving health-related care as an inpatient of a residential health care facility, as defined in Section 2801 of the Public Health Care Law, provided that any income accruing to that person shall only be income only to the extent that it exceeds the amount paid by such owner, spouse, or co-owner for care in the facility; and provided further, that during such confinement such property is not occupied by other than the spouse or co-owner of such owner; or

ii. the real property is owned by a husband and/or wife, or an ex-husband and/or ex-wife, and either is absent from the residence due to divorce, legal separation or abandonment, and an exemption was previously granted when both resided on the property, provided the person remaining on the real property is sixty-two (62) years of age or over and all other provisions of this section are met.

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b. The real property tax exemption of real property owned by husband and wife, one of whom is sixty-five (65) years of age or over, once granted, shall not be rescinded solely because of the death of the older spouse so long as the surviving spouse is at least sixty-two (62) years of age.

Section 4. Application for Exemption.

a. Application for such exemption must be made by the owner or all of the owners of the property on forms prescribed by the state board to be furnished by the Town Assessor's office; such applications shall furnish the information and be executed in the manner required or prescribed in such forms and shall be filed in the Assessor's office on or before the taxable status date. Any person otherwise qualifying under this Local law shall not be denied the exemption under this Local Law if he becomes sixty-five (65) years of age after the appropriate taxable status date and on or before December 31 of the same year.

b. At least sixty days prior to the appropriate taxable status date, the Town Assessor shall mail to each person who was granted exemption pursuant to this Local Law on the latest completed assessment roll an application form and a notice that such application must be filed on or before taxable status date and be approved in order for the exemption to be granted. The Town Assessor shall, within three (3) days of the completion and filing of the tentative assessment roll, notify by mail any applicant who has included with his application, at least one self-addressed, pre-paid envelope, of the approval or denial of the application; provided, however, that the Town Assessor shall, upon the receipt and filing of the application, send by mail notification of receipt to any applicant who has included two (2) such envelopes with the application. Where an applicant is entitled to a notice of denial pursuant to this Local Law, such notice shall be on a form prescribed by the state board and shall state the reasons for such denial and shall further state that in the applicant may have such determination reviewed in then manner provided buy law. Failure to mail any such application form or notices or the failure of such person to receive any of the same shall not prevent the levy, collection, and enforcement of the payment of the taxes on property owned by such person.

c. An application for such exemption may be filed with the Town Assessor after the appropriate taxable status date but not later than the last date on which a petition with respect to complaints of an assessment may be filed, where failure to file a timely application resulted from: (a) a death of the applicant's spouse, child, parent, brother or sister; or (b) an illness of the applicant or of the applicant's spouse, child, parent, brother or sister, which actually prevents the applicant from filing on a timely basis, as certified by a licensed physician. The Town Assessor shall approve or deny such application as if it had been filed on or before the taxable status date.

d. Any person who has been granted exemption pursuant to this Local Law on five (5) consecutive completed assessment rolls, including any years when the exemption was granted to a property owned by a husband and/or wife while both resided in such property, shall not be subject to the requirements set forth in Section 4(b) of this Local Law. Said person shall be

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mailed an application form and a notice informing him of his rights. Such exemption shall be automatically granted on each subsequent assessment roll. Provided, however, that when tax payment is made by such person a sworn affidavit must be included with such payment which shall state that such person continues to be eligible for such exemption. Such affidavit shall be on a form prescribed by the state board. If such affidavit is not included with the tax payment, the tax collector shall proceed pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 551-a.

e. The Town Assessor shall be authorized to accept applications for renewal of exemptions pursuant to this Local Law after the taxable status date. In the event the owner, or all of the owners, of property which has received an exemption pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 467 and this Local Law on the preceding assessment roll fail to file the application required pursuant to this Local Law on or before the taxable status date, such owner or owners may file the application, executed as if such application had been filed on or before the taxable status date, with the Town Assessor on or before the date for the hearing of complaints.

Section 5. Notice Requirements.

The Town shall notify, or cause to be notified, each person owning residential real property in the Town of the provisions of this Local Law. Notice may be given by either a notice or legend sent on or with each tax bill to such persons reading "You may be eligible for senior citizen tax exemptions. Senior citizens have until month March, 1st, Annually to apply for such exemptions. For information please call or write Town of Ticonderoga Assessor's Office 518-585-5285 P O Box 471, Ticonderoga, NY 12883," to explain the provisions of this Local Law. Failure to notify, or cause to be notified any person who is in fact, eligible to receive the exemption provided by this Local Law or the failure of such person to receive the same shall not prevent the levy, collection and enforcement of the payment of the taxes on property owned by such person.

Section 6. Property Held in Trust.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the provisions of this Local Law shall apply to real property held in trust solely for the benefit of a person or persons who would otherwise be eligible for a real property tax exemption, pursuant to this Local Law, were such person or persons the owner or owners of such real property.

Section 7. Property Purchased After Levy of Taxes.

a.

1. Where a person who meets the requirements for an exemption pursuant to this Local Law, purchases property after the levy of taxes, such person may file an application for exemption to the Town Assessor within thirty (30) days of the transfer of title to such person. The Town Assessor shall make a determination of whether the parcel would have qualified for

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exempt status on the tax roll on which the taxes were levied, had title to the parcel been in the name of the applicant on the taxable status date applicable to the tax roll. The application shall be on a form prescribed by the state board. The assessor, no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of such application, shall notify both the applicant and the board of assessment review, by first class mail, of the exempt amount, if any, and the right of the owner to a review of the exempt amount upon the filing of a written complaint. Such complaint shall be on a form prescribed by the state board and shall be filed with the board of assessment review within twenty (20) days of the mailing of this notice. If no complaint is received, the board of assessment review shall so notify the Town Assessor and the exempt amount determined by the assessor shall be final. If the applicant files a complaint, the board of assessment review shall schedule a time and place for a hearing with respect thereto no later than thirty (30) days after the mailing of the notice by the Town Assessor. The board of assessment review shall meet and determine the exempt amount, and shall immediately notify the Town Assessor and the applicant, by first class mail, of its determination. The amount of exemption determined pursuant to this subdivision shall be subject to review as provided in Article Seven of the Real Property Tax Law. Such a proceeding shall be commenced within thirty days (30) of the mailing of the notice of the board of assessment review to the new owner as provided in this subdivision.

2. Upon receipt of a determination of exempt amount as provided in subdivision (a)(i) of this Section, the Town Assessor shall determine the pro rata exemption to be credited toward such property by multiplying the tax rate or tax rates for the Town, on the appropriate tax roll used for the fiscal year or years during which the transfer occurred times the exempt amount, as determined in subdivision (a)(i) of this Section, times the fraction of each fiscal year or years remaining subsequent to the transfer of title. The Town Assessor shall immediately transmit a statement of the pro-rata exemption credit due to the Town on the tax roll used for the fiscal year or years during which the transfer occurred and to the applicant.

3. If the Town receives notice of pro rata exemption credits pursuant to this subdivision, it shall include an appropriation in its budget for the next fiscal year equal to the aggregate amount of such credits to be applied in that fiscal year. Where a parcel, the owner of which is entitled to a pro rata exemption credit, is subject to taxation in said next fiscal year, the receiver or collector shall apply the credit to reduce the amount of taxes owed for the parcel in such fiscal year. Pro rata exemption credits in excess of the amount of taxes, if any, owed for the parcel shall be paid by the appropriate officer of the Town which levies such taxes for or on behalf of the Town to all owners of property entitled to such credits within thirty (30) days of the expiration of the warrant to collect taxes in said next fiscal year.

b.

1. Where a person who meets the requirements for an exemption pursuant to this Local Law, purchases property after the taxable status date but prior to the levy of taxes, such person may file an application for an exemption to the Town Assessor within thirty (30) days of the transfer of title to such person. The Town Assessor shall make a determination within thirty

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(30) days after receipt of such application of whether the applicant would qualify for an exemption pursuant to this Local Law on the assessment roll if title had been in the name of the applicant on the taxable status date applicable to such assessment roll. The application shall be made on a form prescribed by the state board.

2. If the Town Assessor's determination is made prior to the filing of the tentative assessment roll, the Town Assessor shall enter the exempt amount, if any, on the tentative assessment roll and, within ten (10) days after filing such roll, notify the applicant of the approval or denial of such exemption, the exempt amount, if any, and the applicant's right to review by the board of assessment review.

3. If the Town Assessor's determination is made after the filing of the tentative assessment roll, the Town Assessor shall petition the board of assessment review to correct the tentative or final assessment roll in the manner provided in Article Five of the Real Property Tax Law, with respect to unlawful entries, in the case of wholly exempt parcels, and with respect of clerical errors, in the case of partially exempt parcels, if the Town Assessor determines that an exemption should be granted and, within ten (10) days of petitioning the board of assessment review, notify the applicant of the approval or denial of such exemption, the amount of such exemption, if any, and the applicant's right to administrative or judicial review of such determination pursuant to Article Five or Seven of the Real Property Tax Law, respectively.

c. If, for any reason, a determination to exempt property from taxation as provided in subdivision (b) of this Section is not entered on the final assessment roll, the Town Assessor shall petition the board of assessment review to correct the final assessment roll.

d. If, for any reason, the pro rata tax credit as provided in subdivision (a) of this Section is not extended against the tax roll immediately succeeding the fiscal year during which the transfer occurred, the Town Assessor shall immediately notify the Town of the amount of pro rata exemption credits for the year in which such transfer occurred. Such municipal corporation shall proceed as provided in subdivision (a)(iii) of this Section.

e. If, for any reason, a determination to exempt property from taxation as provided in subdivision (b) of this Section is not entered on the tax roll for the year immediately succeeding the fiscal year during which the transfer occurred, the Town Assessor shall determine the pro rata tax exemption credit for such tax roll by multiplying the tax rate or tax rates for the Town times the exempt amount and shall immediately notify the Town of the pro rata exemption credits for such tax roll. The Town shall add such pro rata exemption credits for such property to any outstanding pro rata exemption amounts and proceed as provided in subdivision (a)(iii) of this Section.

Section 8. Penalties.

The making of an willful false statement in the application for an exemption under this Local Law shall be a violation thereof, and a conviction for any such violation shall be punishable

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by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and shall disqualify the applicant or applicants from further exemption for a period of five (5) years.

Section 9. Applicability.

This Local Law shall apply to assessment rolls on the basis of taxable status dates occurring on or after January 1, 2021 and each year thereafter.

Section 10. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this Local Law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

Section 11. Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State.

Resolution #88-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Mark Russell approving agreement with John Reale relative to relocation of right of way access of North Wayne Avenue now known as Prospect Avenue and approving right of way access relocation. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed - none. Carried.**

Mr. Fuller explained that a few years ago the Town partnered with the Fire Department on the potential of a combined Fire Department/Police Department building there on Montcalm and through a great process with great information, it was determined that the cost got unmanageable and from a cost benefit analysis it appears that it would not be in the best interest of the district, nor the best interest of the Town's tax payers overall.

Resolution #89-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded by Joseph Giordano terminating agreement with Ticonderoga Town/Village Joint Fire District. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed - none. Carried.**

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution No. 89 of 2021
Adopted March 11, 2021

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Introduced by Mark Russell
who moved its adoption

Seconded by Joseph Giordano

RESOLUTION TERMINATING AGREEMENT WITH TICONDEROGA TOWN/VILLAGE JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Town Board (“Town Board”) of the Town of Ticonderoga (“Town”) entered into an intermunicipal agreement with the Ticonderoga Town/Village Joint Fire District (the “District”) dated May 3, 2019 concerning the possibility of a joint fire/emergency services/police department building to be constructed and owned by the District; and

WHEREAS, both the District and Town have, through their efforts under the intermunicipal agreement, found that the project as envisioned is not feasible for the taxpayers of the Town, including those who are also taxpayers in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board does wish to extend its sincere thanks and gratitude to the taxpayers, officers and residents of the Town who participated in the years of study and work to attempt to arrive at a project that would benefit the Town, including the taxpayers of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board concurs with the commissioners of the District that proceeding with a project under the intermunicipal agreement is no longer feasible.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board reluctantly approves the termination of the intermunicipal agreement dated May 3, 2019 between the Town Board and the District thanks the commissioners and representatives of the district for their hard work in undertaking the review of a potential project as noted in said intermunicipal agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute any agreements terminating said intermunicipal agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Joseph Giordano, Supervisor	Aye
Mark Russell, Councilman	Aye
Tom Cunningham, Councilman	Aye
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman	Aye
Dave Woods, Councilman	Aye

{Seal}

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Tonya Thompson, Town Clerk
Town of Ticonderoga

Mr. Fuller explained that to no surprise, the town has struggled for a number of years trying to get volunteers onto the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals. This goes back 5, 8 years, maybe even longer, the town has struggled with this. Late last summer or into fall there was discussion starting of the possibility of combined the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals and just having one board to oversee the variances and also Site Plans and things like that. Procedurally, by law, if you have zoning you must have a Zoning Board of Appeals. That is a constitutional relief valve. Under the Town Law, the jurisdiction of the ZBA is a quasi judicial, a court like role, they are hearing variances, appeals from people with issues with set back or use variance, zoning can't be rigid and must have a release valve, you are dealing with property rights. ZBA is that relief valve and legally you can vest the powers of a Planning Board in a Zoning Board of Appeals, so a Site Plan, Sub-divisions, special use permit which generally fall under a Planning Board you can vest that power in a Zoning Board of Appeals. You procedurally would dissolve the Planning Board and vest those powers in the Zoning Board of Appeals. This may create some controversy, but as noted this will be heard for a few months and maybe we will be back in person shortly to get the comments, but both Chairs of the ZBA and the PB have discussed this and a letter was penned separately by both Chairs to the Town Board with this recommendation to combine the boards. It is not something that the Town Board is taking away the powers of the PB, this came from those boards as a suggestion of how to deal with the inability of getting volunteers. This local law drafted will be dissolving the PB and vesting the PB powers into the ZBA, what will happen is put on the Public Hearing for a few months and in the meantime poll your board members to see who wants to stay on. Also, in this draft you have a process to appoint alternates to the board, so you have that option of appointing 2 alternates.

Resolution #90-2021 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Mark Russell introducing proposed Local Law dissolving the Planning Board and vesting the Planning Board powers in the Zoning Board of Appeals and to set a Public Hearing for April 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. (NOTE: this public hearing will last at least two months to allow the town to have appropriate time for discussion this decision.) **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye. Tom Cunningham - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution No. 90 of 2021
Adopted March 11, 2021

Introduced by Tom Cunningham
who moved its adoption

Seconded by Mark Russell

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RESOLUTION INTRODUCING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW DISSOLVING THE PLANNING BOARD AND VESTING THE PLANNING BOARD POWERS IN THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

WHEREAS, the Town Board (the “Town Board”) of the Town of Ticonderoga (“Town”) has had difficulty finding volunteers to serve on both the Town’s planning board and zoning board of appeals; and

WHEREAS, this has, at times, caused issues with scheduling meetings due to a lack of available quorum of both or either boards; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board previously asked both boards for their advice as to the potential of dissolving the planning board and vesting the powers of the planning board in the zoning board of appeals; and

WHEREAS, both the planning board and the zoning board of appeals, by letters from their respective chairs, have advised the Town Board that both the planning board and zoning board of appeals would be in favor of dissolving the Town Board and vesting the powers of the planning board in the zoning board of appeals; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority vested in the Town Board in Article 16 of the Town Law as well as the municipal home rule law, the Town Board finds that it has the power to dissolve the planning board, and vest the powers there of in the zoning board of appeals; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law §267-a[4], the jurisdiction of the zoning board of appeals is appellate only except as may be authorized by local law or ordinance adopted by the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, a Local Law dissolving the planning board and vesting the powers of the planning board in the zoning board of appeals has been drafted and the Town Board wishes to hold a public hearing concerning the proposed Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the proposed Local Law dissolving the planning board and vesting the powers of the planning board in the zoning board of appeals is hereby accepted for introduction to the Town Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a public hearing shall be scheduled for the consideration of this proposed Local Law to be held by Town Board on April 8th, 2021, which public hearing shall be held remotely in accordance with New York Governor Andrew Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.1 as extended providing for remote meetings and hearings, the details of which shall be posted on the Town’s website, unless same expires prior to said date of public hearing in which case the public hearing shall be in person; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is direct to post and publish a notice of said public hearing in the *Sun Community News* at least, and on the Town's website, five (5) days before the hearing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Joseph Giordano, Supervisor	Aye
Mark Russell, Councilman	Aye
Tom Cunningham, Councilman	Aye
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman	Aye
Dave Woods, Councilman	Aye

{Seal}

Tonya Thompson, Town Clerk
Town of Ticonderoga

Supervisor Giordano commented on the Executive Order given by the Governor to have dialogue with stakeholders within the community as to the operation of the Police Department and to engage in the operations, policies, procedures, strategies and so forth that are employed and in which ways to make improvements. The first meeting was held March 9th for about 2 hours given by Chief Hurlburt with 11 stakeholders on the line along with some public. The presentation is on the web and between the first one and second one we would like to solicit ate questions, comments, concerns, suggestions and anything that the public finds after they review that information and bring it back to the Town Clerk for compilation and we will get it to the Chief and the board for discussion and we will have follow up March 16th. This will provide us with what we need to do to satisfy that Executive Order. Hopefully, discussions will continue well into the future, there are always things we can do in any department to provide better services to our community. Chief Hurlburt did a great job with the presentation, very detailed, a lot of information of what goes into the policies and there were some really good questions brought forth by members of our stakeholder panel.

Councilman Cunningham would like to have some discussion on forming an Economic Development Committee. He thinks this comes in to play along the lines of our Municipal Facilities Evaluation Committee, because some of that has to do with some long term planning, comprehensive planning and even if the committee doesn't get fully found with a group of committee members, he thinks it is important that we actually have a committee and start having some monthly meetings, even if it is only amongst original two board members. He would like to take up this discussion.

Supervisor Giordano feels it is important to have that, but in the past it did not really have a cohesive direction in which to bring the issues you are talking about to a centralized group and

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make headway. Even though Economic Development is not a standing committee currently, the Town is still pursuing Economic Development activities. You are right, one of the key pieces that needs to be brought forth for Economic Development is for facilitating and setting in motion is the comprehensive plan. That is definitely something that we need and the effort it took to at least get the zoning put in with the Site Plan Review was fortunately taken care of before you and Councilman Russell came on board, there were a lot of discussions and a lot of struggles with getting to where it needed to be. We really need to take this to the foundational point which is with the Comprehensive Plan. He is supportive of moving it, but the only concern he has is trying to figure out exactly how it is going to operate differently than it has in the past. Just by having a committee doesn't mean that things will get done the way you think they will get done.

Councilman Cunningham stated that this would be up to the committee members to make that decision, we understand and we were there. So everybody is aware, there are a lot of moving pieces in Ticonderoga right now in the downtown area. The Burleigh House has been purchased with a plan to renovate that, including the facade and sidewalks around it, which in itself is fine and the Planning Board has done a good job of overseeing that process, but it would be nice to be able to have them and others that want to do things downtown to follow a plan so that we know that it is trying to fit in to the Downtown area to maintain it's historical use. He thinks that you just need to form the committee and then we can discuss the best way to fill that committee. It is important to have that committee at least formed, very similar to what we did with the Municipal Facilities Evaluation Committee. It is basically a committee of two and those that we need to bring in from time to time to make evaluations and things and he is quite happy to be on that committee as well as the other one. He thinks that Councilman Russell may as well. These committees are important.

Supervisor Giordano stated that he does feel that it needs to be formed, probably having a little more discussion would be good and find out who would best serve to take that on, but he feels there are some pieces that more dialogue needs to happen.

Councilwoman Cooper has heard members of the public comment on that committee becoming active.

Councilman Russell stated that there are a lot of different definitions to Economic Development and what makes that up and other than just having that committee, the challenges are that we have some very active organizations and just putting some clarity to roles and responsibilities and aligning those resources so we are getting the best benefit for the town and the people that are coming in and developing here. We have talked about PRIDE, Ti Alliance, Chamber and so on, they do a lot of work together and at times are also working independently. This committee could be a shot of trying to herd the resources. How do we put clarity to that, with those roles and responsibilities so we can expedite some of the processes, get some questions answered clearer, get the information out there. Clearly identify Ticonderoga as a destination and for opportunity and growth, and then how do we weave that into our planning, zoning, historic expectation so we get some consistency. If we want to talk about this further we can do that, he would be glad to take an initial role on the committee to get things started until we fine tune it.

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Supervisor Giordano again stated that he is not opposed to start the committee, but again he has some concerns, there are some conversations that he has had and thinks there are some things that he feels the board needs to be kept abreast of before jumping in to this. He is not aware of other conversations that have been had, but this has been in discussions with him for a while just to try to find an element that is robust and equally objective in terms of doing what you are talking about doing. It is possible to have some dialogue between now and the finance meeting and then be able to put a committee together at that time. He wouldn't mind having some conversations off line about a few things to make sure that no matter who is on this committee to lead it, they are aware of what needs to be done to make it different than it was in the past. Of all the board members that we have here, he doesn't know of one that has really sat on that committee in the past and he wants to be sure that there are lessons learned moving forward. Mr. Fuller and he have had conversations, Mr. Fuller is on the Economic Development Committee in Warren County and he is serving now on the Lake George and Lake Champlain Regional Planning Board and Development Committee and he is seeing all the different aspects of what economic development means and all these different pieces align to what you are talking about in terms of trying to bring people to the area and discussions like this are straight forward, but there are a lot of other aspects that need to be considered to make it fruitful, to make it functional and to make it the best to move forward. So it would be helpful to have that dialogue first and then he will kick off that committee in the next couple of weeks. If you are amendable to that, that is his recommendation.

Mr. Fuller stated that he does Chair the Board of Directors at the EDC in Warren County, so he would be happy to take his law hat off some time and just have a conversation. He has been on that board for six years now and has worked up to chair and he is happy to chat about this stuff any time.

Councilman Russell stated that we can get together and catch some of that history, and then we can look at setting some objectives to forming an appropriate structured committee and we can kick it off at the finance meeting or after that.

Councilman Cunningham stated that this sounds fine, his father used to say - do something, even if it's wrong.

Public Participation

No End of Meeting Public Participation

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

AGENDA - MARCH 11, 2021

Pledge to the Flag

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Public Hearing

- Regarding introducing proposed Local Law repealing Local Law #2 of 2008 Titled “A Local Law Providing for Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or Older”
- Regarding introducing proposed Local Law Titled “A Local Law Providing for Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or Older”

Department Heads

Building Codes - Follow-up re 56-58 Race Track Rd – violation under Nuisance Property Law

Opening Remarks -- Announcements:

Coronavirus Update & Notifications

Other County updates

Presentations

Board of Health – no report

Public Comment (time limit 2 minutes per speaker)

Committee reports:

Airport JG

Public Safety DW

Congratulations to Rhiannon Peters, who has successfully passed her 3rd and final exam for Building Inspector I

RESOLUTION to promote Rhiannon Peters to the full-time position of Building Inspector, provisional, in the Building Codes Department at the hourly rate of \$21.25, effective March 11, 2021

RESOLUTION to appoint Dave Woods, Mark Russell, Rhiannon Peters, David Burrows, Jen Gendron, Adam Hurlburt and Ross Kelley to the Public Safety Committee

RESOLUTION to advertise for lateral transfer NYS Police Officer Position, Part-Time Police Officers who hold an active BMP Certification as Police Officer as well as those who have been appointed from a Civil Service Exam. Only applicants holding certification and qualification will be considered.

Highway / Transfer Station TC

Building Grounds Parks Rec Library DW/JC

RESOLUTION to appoint Tonya Thompson to the BGPR committee

Human Services: Youth MR

Human Services: Seniors TC

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Municipal Facility Evaluation: MR

Public Works JG

Health Insurance JG

Contract negotiations JG

I.T. / Cable T.V. JG

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION to accept/correct minutes of Regular TB Meeting February 11, 2021, the Finance Meeting of February 25, 2021 and the Special TB Meeting March 4, 2021

RESOLUTION to authorize a \$4,000 contribution to the Lake George Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program in partnership with the Lake George Park Commission and other Lake George municipalities with moneys to come from budgeted funds (A6989.479)

Whereas, aquatic invasive species pose a serious threat to the waters of Lake George Park and can cause significant detrimental impacts to the ecology and economy of the Lake George Park; and

Whereas, the intent of the aquatic invasive species prevention program is to prohibit introduction of aquatic invasive species to Lake George and the waters of the Lake George Park, and to minimize spread of AIS from Lake George to other water bodies; and

Whereas, this program inspects tailored vessels prior to launch into the waters of the Lake George Park and upon retrieval from those waters, in order to help ensure vessels are free from aquatic invasive species; and

Whereas, the current inspection start and stop dates of May 1 and November 1 will be extended to April 15 and December 15 by amending Section 646-9.2 of the existing regulation;

Now Therefore be it resolved, that in collaborative agreement with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and in collective partnership with the Lake George Park Commission and other neighboring Lake George municipalities, the Town of Ticonderoga hereby desires to contribute \$4,000 toward the costs of extending the boat inspection program to April 15 through December 15.

RESOLUTION authorizing the following budget adjustments

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| ○ A.2770 | General Revenue | (\$188.99) |
| ○ A.1620.462 | General Buildings – Repairs & Maint. | \$188.99 |
| Return funds from returned merchandise | | |
| ○ SS07.8130.490 | Sewer District Fund Balance | (\$450.78) |
| ○ SS07.8130.405 | Sewer District Contractual | \$450.78 |

Fund underfunded account from SS07 Fund Balance

RESOLUTION to Pay the Abstract

RESOLUTION to accept the Supervisor's Report as submitted

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Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Attorney, Matt Fuller

RESOLUTION adopting Local Law repealing Local Law #2 of 2008 Titled “A Local Law Providing for Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Persons 65 Years of Age or Older”

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NOTE: this public hearing will last at least two months to allow the town to have appropriate time for discussion this decision.

Public Comment (time limit 2 minutes per speaker)

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting