

Minutes for a Ticonderoga Regular Town Board Meeting held on April 8, 2021 commencing at 6:00 p.m. with a Public Hearing for Dissolution of the Town Planning Board and vesting the powers into the Town Zoning Board of Appeals

Present: Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Mark Russell, Councilman
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman
Tom Cunningham, Councilman
Dave Woods, Councilman
Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney (virtually)
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Others: Mark Wright and Tim Rowland, (virtually as follows) Stu Baker, Donna Wotton, Laura Wright and Ginger Knenzel

Supervisor Giordano opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing

Proposed LL introducing proposed Local Law dissolving the Planning Board and Vesting the Planning Board Powers in the Zoning Board of Appeals

Supervisor Giordano explained that for the last several years or longer it has been challenging to find people willing to participate in being a member of the Planning Board and Zoning Boards and after some discussions over the last year or two and knowledge of other towns who have merged their Planning Boards with their Zoning Board of Appeals, we have ventured down that same path. This is brought about by both the Chairs of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals asking the Town Board to exercise its right to proceed forward to vest those Planning Board powers into the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Matt Fuller wanted to clarify one thing real quick, it was said that there were other Town's but the other client is a village and they have done this and successfully last summer. It has worked out pretty well. He has spoken with the Town's Planning Board Chair regarding trainings and such if this does get passed, they are already thinking about the transition to Zoning Board of Appeals.

Stu Baker (117 Champlain Avenue) had served on the Town's Planning Board for 10 years and 6 of those as chairman and he spent the majority of his working career, in community developing. His question for the Town Board is this, if the issue is not getting volunteers for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, how is this solving or going to solve this?

Supervisor Giordano explained that currently there are 7 on the Planning Board and it is a 5 member Zoning Board of Appeals, so a total of 12 people. Consolidating would only require us to have 5 people on the board with a couple of alternates. As it currently stands, there are only 3 individuals that serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals and therefore, everything that comes before that Zoning Board of Appeals has to be unanimously supported in order to pass. That has been the challenge and some people have stayed on simply because there is no one else to take that on. It is a good point,

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Mr. Baker noted that it will be a 5 member board with how many alternates? (Answer was 2). What will be the name of this new consolidated board?

Supervisor Giordano noted that we have not officially determined that yet, in other municipality they have just been called the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mr. Fuller agreed and he actually posed that question to the Town Board. Saranac Lake has done this and he can't remember the exact name of their board, but it is kind of a hybrid name. The Town Board can name it the Ticonderoga Zoning and Planning Board, Planning/Zoning Board, Land Development Board, this is to be determined.

Mr. Baker asked if the Town Board has a resolution prepared for tonight creating this consolidated board?

Mr. Fuller explained that the Town Board's plan was to open the public hearing tonight and leave open until next month and even the month after. The plan, unless it has changed, was not to take any final action tonight, but to just put it out there. A local law has been drafted, yes - but the Town Board is looking to have people respond and want to give them time to, so the plan is to leave the Public Hearing open for a few months.

Mr. Baker would certainly recommend the Town Board settle on a name for this new consolidated board before they adopt a local law. What will be the training requirements for members of this board, as the Town Board knows and the public may not, under NYS Law Planning Board and Zoning Board members are required to get 4 hours of training and NYS Law doesn't require any training requirements for Town Board members. Be it the Town Supervisor or any other Town Board members and yet it requires 4 hours for Planning Board members and Zoning Board members. So what is going to be the training requirement for members of this consolidated board that are serving the functions of both Planning Board and Zoning Board. Are we looking at 8 hours of required training annually for members of this new board?

Mr. Fuller stated that this is a good question and the answer is no it will remain at 4. Unless the Town Board tries to expand that but that would take preempting state law. That has not been any part of the discussions that he has had with the Town Board. Getting 4 hours or more has not been all that difficult, especially in the last year. Both board have expressed pretty strong support for this proposal to the extent of talking about doing some of that training even in person. If this is something that goes forward and the board settles on a name, he anticipates a couple of meetings coming up beforehand to do a couple of hours - there is the bulk of Planning Board members that are interested in moving over to the ZBA and perhaps 1 or 2 ZBA members were just serving for the good of the Town and aren't really interested in carrying forward if there are enough members.

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We would go through some training on how to do this. Certainly for Planning Board coming over to the Zoning Board, he was explaining this just the other night at a Planning Board meeting. It is a bit more procedural, holding a court type function when you are Zoning Board of Appeals, which the members are asking some great questions and we will go through training on how to do this. Zoning and Planning Board matters bounce back and forth so how to deal with that on one agenda, public hearing for zoning, public hearing for planning. It is all doable, it just will take a coordinated effort.

Mr. Baker stated that this brings him back to his questions, this was skirted around at the start...if the issue is the Town Board is having trouble finding volunteers to fill this, what is the Town Board strategy to be able to maintain level with that set member of consolidated/combined board - 5 regular members with 2 alternates. Certainly, you recognize the problem of not having enough volunteers. What is the Town Board's approach to keep those seats filled?

Supervisor Giordano stated that right now we know we have people that would be willing to fill them and have an interest in being on the board, he does not have a crystal ball to know what the future brings. He is sure there are other strategies or options that can be explored, but he doesn't know how to answer that question.

Councilman Russell stated that it is the same strategy that we use for committee volunteers or board volunteers, you look for candidates that are willing to put in the time, have the training, get engaged, have the background to be objective whether it is planning, zoning or our many committees, any volunteer opportunity that is within the town, our strategy is the same. It is a challenge getting volunteers, not just for these types of duties, but any other in the community. We advertise and reach out to people we know through personal or professional relationships to try to fill these positions. It does not go without effort. Saranac Lake has a Planning & Development Board, he just looked it up. That is his plan going forward, but before we do the resolution, just be sure we have the effective training in place so that is clearly understood for our current and any future members of the board.

Mr. Baker would like to respectfully suggest that the responsibilities of individual members of this new combined board are requiring more than 4 hours of training a year. Just keeping up with the current case law for Planning Boards and Zoning Boards alone it is cumbersome. That is one thing that board members need to do, to keep current and these new combined board members will be responsible for now a lot of sections of local town code, so there will be a learning curve there as well. He understands the board's desire to create this consolidated board, he is concerned that new members of this board are going to find there is quite a lot to deal with, between responsibilities of Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Supervisor Giordano thanked Mr. Baker and asked if he had any thoughts other than what you just shared as far as obtaining, acquiring, maintaining, sustaining members on the board....

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Mr. Baker was glad that this was asked, he thinks that one thing that has been lacking from the Town Board, historically and perhaps continuing up to the present, is recognition of the volunteers. In 10 years of serving on the Planning Board, including 6 years of chair, he never saw anyone thanked for their service with the exception of when they initially volunteer to serve. People who resign after a decade or more of serve, get absolutely no recognition. There's actually such a thing as national volunteer recognition week. He thinks that it is worth encouraging the Town Board to take advantage of that and more to thank those that are volunteering their time and service to the functions of our local government.

Supervisor Giordano agreed that this is a good point, thank you. The intent of this, because we were expecting to get some feedback from the community, to leave this public hearing open. At least for a couple of months, just to be able to vet through some of those items. We will do that and leave this open.

Opening Remarks

Coronavirus Update & Notifications

- Last month - very few new positives in the Town and even fewer from where they were in the County from earlier this year
- Vaccinations are continuing to roll out, 28% of our population have been fully vaccinated and also Public Health Department is looking to set up a clinic in Ticonderoga, some time in May for the other population that would benefit from having a localized clinic -- More information to come on that

Tentative Rabies clinic has been scheduled in Ticonderoga for June 8th from 6 p.m. to 8p.m. at the Ticonderoga Highway Garage; pre-registration with Essex County DOH is suggested.

Public Comment

None at this time.

Report from Committees

Public Works - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

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

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

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Others: Greg Swart (*AES*), Jocelyn Racette (*AES*), Matt Fuller, Roy Richardson (*Barton
& Loguidice*), Mark Wright, Dave Woods, Anna Reynolds (*Director – Essex Cty.
Community Resources*)

Public Comment

No public comment.

Items for Discussion

1. Utility Truck – Water Dept.
 - a. Derrick addressed the Committee with regard to seeking the Town Board’s approval for doing a mini bid to replace one of the trucks. It was discussed at budget time, but wasn’t put into the budget. The plan was to take funds from the equipment capital reserves.
 - b. The current truck is a 2015 F250 with a utility body and plow. If another department wanted to purchase the truck, a fair market value would be determined by Kelley Blue Book and by what options it has along with the shape/condition. Then, funds would be transferred accordingly.
 - i. After the Committee agreed to move forward with the mini bid process and bring to the Board for approval, Derrick will also work with the finance department on the details.
2. Certification course for Water Dept. Staff
 - a. As a follow up from the previous Water and Sewer Committee Meeting, Derrick gave an update on what course is available for Colt Russell to attend. There is a Grade B Operator’s Certification Course available in October through Morrisville Environmental Training Center, and Derrick would like to sign Colt up for the course as soon as possible as the courses fill quickly. Also, if the Grade A Course becomes available it would be ideal to sign him up for that as well.
 - i. As the Committee is in agreement that furthering training and education for staff is important, signing Colt up for the course will be recommended to the Town Board for approval.
3. Chilson and Eagle Lake Discussion
 - a. Roy Richardson (Barton & Loguidice) addressed the Committee with an update on the MPR process. He has finalized the proposed district area which is made up of the current out of district water users. After reviewing all other options, the direction chosen is to extend the current main district and pull water from the Chilson tank so that it can be pumped to the Eagle Lake area. This option ended up being the one that made the most sense, and was the less expensive option than the others. The water provided will be quality water, but users will need to understand that it

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will be harder water than what is currently coming out of Gooseneck. Roy will be pulling the figures together that will incorporate construction costs, debt service (as water will be pulled from the existing wells/main district), and also O&M costs.

- i. The hope is to have a draft MPR sent to the Town for review by Thursday.

AES Report

1. Veterans Road

- a. SEQR will need to be updated, and AES will work with Matt on the details so that it can be presented at the next Board Meeting.
- b. AES has been working with the County and their engineer to come up with a game plan. Directional drilling is too expensive due to all of the rock, so the current plan is to install a line with insulation and heat trace over the bridge.
- c. If there is not enough grant money to cover the work, then to cross the brook would be, realistically, \$10,000. Although an estimate of \$20 - \$30,000 was given as it depends upon how the bids are broken up.
- d. Currently there is a small 4" plastic line in place which feeds one hydrant. The goal would be to have an 8" line installed.
- e. Half of the culvert will be worked on at a time. When the first half is done on the south side there will be a temporary water supply run, and then the north side will be done. AES will continue to work on details, and the coordination of the timing of the project with the County.

2. Water Plant

- a. The new motor for Well Pump #2 should arrive the week of April 12th. It was clarified that this is the motor and not the pump that was ordered. Discussion took place if going forward it would be beneficial to have an extra motor on hand. However, Well Pump #1 and #2 have different size motors as Well Pump #1 is larger and has more capacity. There are two wells for the purpose of redundancy, and for situations like this it's beneficial when one is down. Surge protection was also discussed, and the need to be sure that everything is protected as much as possible. Greg can research that a little further.

3. Water District Consolidation

- a. There is another workshop planned for next week.

4. Water Meters

- a. The date that the water meter project needs to be completed and the meters online is May 31, 2025.

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- b. AES did apply for a 50% grant for the meters (just under \$2,000,000) and possibly the remainder of funding could go through EFC or RD. However, the Chilson/Eagle Lake project takes priority for funding.
- c. 2021 - 2022 should be focused on the funding and design for the project with 2023 - 2024 for construction.
- d. A decision has not yet been made on the type of meters, and it's suggested to have another presentation in the near future, possibly in the summer. Derrick commented that the longevity and ease of maintenance and/or replacement on different types of metering systems should be taken into consideration as well. Greg is working with the County to get recommendations of what other towns across the county are using.

5. Water Softening

- a. AES just received the report from the sub consultant. The plan for water softening will be presented at the next meeting.

6. Lead Service Line Replacement

- a. NYS DOH reviewed the project documentation and gave some feedback with regard to advertising. AES has talked with a few contractors and suggests that the Town also spread the word as much as possible. The project is all set otherwise, and AES is cleaning up the bid set and aiming to advertise the project on April 3, 2021.
- b. A brief discussion took place with regard to any additional paving plans by the Highway Dept. that may affect the project areas. Race Track Road and an area on Cannonball Path will have paving done, and it was determined that there will not be any disruption within the LSLRP project as these areas are not included. However, further discussion is needed on Cannonball Path as it would be beneficial to replace a section of the waterline before paving was done. There's a problematic water main in that area, and a few years ago the Town replaced about 600 feet. There's about another 600 feet that should be done. Derrick will work with Sal on the exact area that is going to be paved.

7. WWTP Temporary Ventilation

- a. There was a pre-construction meeting last week, and the contractor is expected to start in mid-May due to the lead time on getting equipment.

8. SPDES for WWTP

- a. Updating the Long-Term Control Plan (a grant application for engineering planning has already been submitted)
- b. There is a one year time frame to complete the Wet Weather Operation Plan. As the WWTP design has changed, this is necessary.

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- c. The WWTP is in good shape to meet the compliance of the new phosphorus limits, but there is still the need for a long term solution. At the moment there is a three year timeframe.
9. Annual Report
 - a. The Annual Report has been completed.
10. The Portage Project
 - a. The project is expected to start back up April 1st. They will start near the park as there is a treatment until that will be installed.
 - b. Greg will be finishing up the lateral changes for 167 and 169 The Portage. He has been having discussions with the property owner, and it's moving forward. The survey department will be drafting up the drawings, and Greg will work with Matt on the easements.
 - c. There will be a lateral replaced for the ambulance building, which will turn into a main and an updated easement will be needed. The Town will review the information first.
 - d. Tom inquired if the Town has purchased most of the material needed for the project, as there is a concern for overall costs of materials increasing since last year. Greg and Derrick both believe that Reale Construction purchased everything ahead of time, but Greg can double check. Mike Metcalf will meet with everyone to be sure the project is all squared away before start up, and from an overall budget standpoint the project is in good shape. Once the water line is in, another check on the budget can be done.
11. Evaluations of Pump Stations
 - a. AES is finishing up the report, and will have a presentation ready at the next meeting.
12. GIS System
 - a. The system can be used for other departments as well, not just for water and sewer information.
 - b. The system is online and it's recommended to set up a workshop for late April or early May to present the information.
13. War Cannon
 - a. Everything submitted was acceptable. However, the recommendation is that they always use phosphate free cleaners due to the impact at the WWTP and set limits.
14. Funding for projects

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- a. Potential income survey needed for an OCR grant (*OCR is a 100% grant*) for a possible lateral project and/or project on Holcomb Avenue. It would be for full street reconstruction, water, sewer, storm management and pavement. Derrick commented that if Holcomb Avenue is done, it would be recommended to also do Iroquois Street, or at least the intersection of the two. The water main is about 15 feet down and it would be beneficial to raise it up to something reasonable.
 - i. Tom inquired how involved an income survey is. Greg as well as Anna stated there is a lot work involved, and it is a Town effort in collaboration with the County, but it does depend upon the size of the neighborhood that would be involved.
 - ii. Greg will work with Anna at Essex County Community Resources with regard to a game plan for the area.

Supervisor Giordano adjourned the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting at 11:52 am.

The next Committee Meeting will take place on April 27, 2021 at 10:30 am.

Resolution #95-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Cunningham to go out through NY State Mini Bid for a Ford F250 Utility Body with lift gate and plow. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Airport - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

- Fuel Sales for Feb were 363 and March were 500
- FAA changed some of the night landing approach requirements - working through that
- Payment box - making adjustments for drop payments
- Scheduling fuel tank annual inspection - May
- Federal Funds: 2020-CARES Act in the amount of \$20,000.00 received and in 2021 CRRSAA grant in the amount of \$9,000 (resolved below)
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Resolution #96-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded by Joyce Cooper to name the following as members of the Airport Committee: Jon Hanna, Ernie Tobin, Bryan Douros, Dave Iuliano, Ash Alexander, Dave Woods Co-Chair and Joe Giordano, Chair. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #97-2021 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Mark Russell to accept the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act 2021 (CRRSAA) grant in the amount of \$9,000.00 to be expended at the Ticonderoga Municipal Airport and to authorize the supervisor to execute said contract. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Public Safety - Dave Woods, Councilman

Public Safety Meeting

March 23, 2021

Councilman Dave Woods calls the meeting to order at 8:05am.

The following committee members were present via zoom: Dave Woods, Ross Kelly, Chief Hurlburt, Jennifer Gendron, Rhiannon Peters and Dave Burrows.

Guests: Mark Wright.

No Public participation.

Councilman Woods states the Board approved for the department to hire another Part-time officer.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Hurlburt goes over the monthly report. (See attachment)

Councilman Woods commends Chief Hurlburt on the good job he has done with the Police Reform Meetings.

BUILDING CODES DEPARTMENT

Rhiannon Peters goes over the Codes monthly report. (See attachment.)

Dave Woods's asks where they are at with the Race Track Road issues.

Rhiannon States there was a water issue and that it has been restored.

Dave Burrows States he is working with Matt Fuller on the Race Track Road issue and will keep the board updated.

Rhiannon also states that it was brought to their attention regarding a possible Junk Yard on 22, Rhiannon states they sent out an order of remedy in the late fall of last year, they will be doing a follow up to see what is going on.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12am

Minutes prepared by Jennifer Gendron.

Next Public Safety Meeting is April 27, 2021 at 8:00am

The following is a summary of the activities of the Ticonderoga Police Department From 2/23/2021-3/23/2021

<u>Patrol Statistics</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Approx. Calls to Service:	197	1090
Incident reports:	19	70
Arrests:	11	47
Uniform traffic tickets:	40	137
DWI arrests:	0	2
Accidents investigated:	6	38

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Speed Trailer: Expected to be back in service in April.

Part Time Patrol Officer: The Police Department is anticipating hire an additional Part Time Patrol Officer. The Town Board approved to advertise for a Part Time Police Officer who is currently has NYS Police Certification at the March 11th 2021 Town Board Meeting. Interested persons who meet that criteria are encouraged to submit an application to the Ticonderoga Town Hall.

New Vehicle: The department has ordered a 2021 Dodge Charger (Police Package) from Beyer Fleet. Expected delivery of the new vehicle is June of 2021

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

* 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 (March) 2021.

<u>Building Inspection</u>	(March)	YTD
Building Permits Issued:	10	16
Safety Inspections:	0	10
Pass/Fail:	0/0	7/1

Permit & Inspection Notes:

- 3-Repairs/Alterations Permits → Route 9N -- Montcalm St--John St
- 1-Porch Permit → Wilson Bay Rd
- 1-Interior New Construction Permit → Montcalm St
- 1-Exterior Demo Permit → Montcalm St
- 2-Addition Permits → Pavilion Dr and Stanton St
- 1-Solar Panel Permit → NYS Route 9N
- 1-Single Family Home w/Attached Garage- Stoughton Dr

<u>Code Violation Notices</u>	(March)	YTD
Order to Remedy:	1	33
Remediated:	0	9
Clean-Up Contractor:	0	7
NYS Dept. of Fin.Services:	0	0
Other:	0	0
Condemned:	0	1
Do Not Occupy:	0	3
Appearance Tickets:	0	0

Violation Notices:

- Garbage/Rubbish Violation: Delano Rd Residence

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Miscellaneous

(March)

YTD

*Complaints:

2

16

Resolved:

2

7 of 13

Misc. Complaint Notes

- Received a Complaint about someone on Route 9N working without a Permit.
- Received Complaint from Race Track Rd Resident having water issues, ongoing issues.

Training

- Finished up our ** iWorQ trainings**, Database is now live for us to manage.
- **Dave will continue on with training this week 3/22/21 thru 3/25/21 Course #4 → 9D: General Construction Principles.

Safety & Resource Grants (YTD)

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

Noteworthy Highlights / Achievements

Rhiannon has completed her training and is now certified through the State as Building Inspector 1.

Resolution #98-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Joseph Giordano to increase the Ticonderoga Police Department petty cash fund by \$200.00 for a petty cash total of \$300,00. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Highway /Transfer Station - Tom Cunningham, Councilman

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

Present:

Tom Cunningham Virtual, Dave Woods, John Deming, Mitch Cole

Others

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

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Public Discussion**

Public discussion

- Joyce Cooper requested that the Highway Department strip a line on the South side of Lake George Ave. from Montcalm St. to Algonquian St to differentiate the road and sidewalk for pedestrian use to connect the upper falls trail to the lower falls trail

Committee Discussion

- The Highway department is under budget regards the use of winter Sand, Salt and Brine. They will start right away to replenish this material for next winter
- Truck 45 underwent some large repairs, including repairing the side wing on the plow and rear axle repairs. It was noted that the Plow wing repair was submitted to insurance which covered \$5,000.00 of a \$6,000.00 repair. The axle repair was done in house for approximately \$1,800.00 much less than hiring an outside party.
- Sidewalks to be replaced:
 - RFQ's for replacing 300' on Lake George Ave. are due on March 26, 2021 we have received two proposals out of five to date. The area to be replaced is from Alexandria Ave North approximately 300'.
- Roads to be paved:
 - The highway Department has added two other roads to be resurfaced including Race Track Road and part of Cannon Ball Run. Resurfacing Canfield Road is still scheduled for this summer. It was pointed out that the competitive bid process was not required for paving.
- Repairs and replacements:
 - Stop light at Wiley street and Montcalm street will be replaced with a Red light only and will maintain a 4 way stop. The old light will be kept and used for parts.
- Update on street sweeper: The new Sweeper was delivered about 10 days ago. A two-hour training class was held on proper use of the machine. It is being used presently, but still requires some adjustments and fine tuning to get the best productivity out of it.
- Roads that have been requested to be taken over by the town.
 - Meyers Road, Mitch Cole stated that the town plows this road just to the end of the pavement and no further. Additional information is still needed to determine if the Town is responsible for this road.
 - Keast Road, there is no update on the sale of the property associated with this road. The town is presently plowing this road but ownership is unknown.
- Transfer Station, Mitch Cole stated that the fencing around the facility will need some repairs this summer. It was asked if the gravel drive area around the

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recycling area was going to be graded, Mitch said they would look into it and get it graded if needed

- Surplus items; Sal is waiting for the 31st of March to make a final decision on what to do with the Sweeper and Gradall.
- Mitch Cole brought to everyone's attention that a Conex box was placed on town highway
- **Opened up to public discussion;**
 - Greg Swart advised that the Portage project is scheduled to start around April 01, 2021. Tom Cunningham asked that the Highway Department be included in the invitation for the project meetings

Resolutions for the next town board meeting

- No resolutions

Next meeting scheduled for April 27, 2021 at 09:15

Meeting was adjourned at 09:50 AM

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

Resolution #99-2021 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Mark Russell to advertise for the Veteran's Road Culvert Replacement over Five Mile Creek (D036296, PIN 1761.09) with monies to come through reimbursement through the CulvertNY grant. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #100-2021 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Joyce Cooper to award the Sidewalk Bid to Avery Energy for \$4.56 for 4" thickness and \$6.83 for 6" thickness. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Discussion was held on sidewalk's - 4" being sidewalks and 6" being under driveways. More discussion was held on future funding of sidewalk projects - difference between repairs and replacement. More discussion will be held. Work will start as soon as possible.

Building and Grounds - Dave Woods, Councilman

Minor repairs

- furnace - Armory
- electrical - clock, library and airport
- plumbing - leaking faucet at Armory and Community Building

Black Watch Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting Feb. 4, 2021 Meeting was called to order at 9:30 am. Members Present: John McDonald, Susan Gravelle, Steve Boyce, Cheryl O'Connor, Linda Cunningham **Others Present:** Heather Johns,

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Library Manager; Joyce Cooper, Town Representative. **Review of the Minutes:** John moved that the minutes be accepted. Steve seconded; all were in favor **Report of the Director:** • Heather presented statistics for all the Libraries in the CEF system showing the services available at each. Most are doing curbside service as we are; some are open for limited browsing. As soon as safety allows, Heather would like to open for limited service. At our March meeting, we will evaluate the number of Covid cases in the community and make a determination. • We also have a letter from our new State Senator, Daniel Stec who will be serving on the State Library Committee and assured us of his support for the library. • Even though the library has been closed, the staff has been providing programs for children. For Halloween, there was a Story walk, and a video book reading. At Christmas, there was another video story on the Facebook page. There will be another on-line program for Easter. The Summer program is still in the planning stage. • The library staff participated in the Festival of Trees and won the prize for the best non-tree display. The prize was \$50 and Heather suggested giving this to Emma for all the hours outside of library time that she spent working on this display. John made a motion to give the money to Emma in recognition of her efforts; Steve seconded; all were in favor. • The members of the Library Board are required to take Sexual Harassment Training every year. Heather will request that a representative of the CEF Board come to the next meeting and do a presentation. • While the Library has been closed to patrons, the staff has been cleaning and organizing in the basement and have discovered a rodent problem. The books in storage and the shelves have rodent droppings. There has also been a problem with ants and bees. Joyce will bring the issue up at the Parks and Recreation Committee and see what possibilities there are for pest control. • The outside door on the Carnegie Street side has been sticking and there is a problem opening and closing the door. • The Library will be closed on Feb. 13th for Presidents' Day. • Heather is working on the Annual Report • We will continue to offer Curbside service and Reference services • One of the experienced volunteers will start coming in to help. **New Business:** John McDonald announced that he is submitting his resignation as President of the Library Board. He will remain on the Board as a member. John made a motion that the Board appoint Steve Boyce as the new President; Susan seconded; All were in favor. **Report of the Town:** The area in the basement of the Community Building where the Library Book Sale is located is being painted. Grant has had surgery on his hip, but Joyce has another worker who is available if the Library has projects. **Report of the Friends:** The Friends have sent out their letter for the Annual Fund appeal. This year, the Friends will pay for the entire subscription to the Junior Library Guild. **The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am. The Library Board moved into Executive Session**

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

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes March 16, 2021

The meeting was a virtual Go To Meeting. In attendance were committee members Jerry Cooper, Bill Dolback, Nancy Kelley, Tonya Thompson, and Chairs Dave Woods and Joyce Cooper. Mark Wright also joined the meeting.

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This was one of the most productive meetings held recently with next steps determined. It is a pleasure to work with community members who are dedicated to our parks system and recreational opportunities.

Basketball Courts: Monty Benedict, who is working on an Eagle Scout project to upgrade the courts, is actively raising funds for his project through the Go Fund Me website and has been promised matching funds for money raised by a donor. He now hopes to repair the blacktop as needed as well as replace the baskets and the painting on the courts.

2021 Budget: Plans for the money allocated were discussed. Through last year's, this year's budgets, and by taking advantage of sale prices, all of the town's holiday decorations have now been upgraded with new strings and LED bulbs installed. It was felt the decorations were most important to bring a little holiday 'brightness' to the community during the COVID pandemic.

Budget monies will also be spent on playground equipment, repairing the tennis courts, signage, bicycle racks, annual flowers, a message board for the beach, and miscellaneous small items.

Bicentennial Park: Once all the snow is gone and the ground has thawed, contact should be made with Essex County Soil and Water as well as AES engineers so we can move forward with the improvement of the walking trail. Bill Dolback reminded the committee that in 5 years the park will celebrate an important anniversary and suggested a 5 year plan for the improvement of the park especially the walking trail. This suggestion received the enthusiastic support of all present.

Another park improvement, the children's Playground, was also discussed. Joyce was pleased to announce that the Ticonderoga Kiwanis Club Board voted to donate \$5000 for new equipment and will help as they can with installation. Some funds are also available through a donation from Cycle Adirondacks who used the park 2 years ago. The new equipment will include a new swing set and slide and possibly another piece of equipment. The playground area may have to be enlarged. A check should be made with Derrick Fleury to make sure of waterline placement in the area.

Montcalm Street Clock: National Grid cut power to the clock when a plow hit and damaged a wire. The wire needs to be replaced and power restored to the clock. The clock has 4 faces with the ones facing north and south sharing the same works and the ones facing east and west using a different mechanism. Because there has been so many problems keeping both set of faces showing the same time, blocking the east and west faces was suggested. The south face is the most visible to passersby. This can be revisited once the clock is working again.

Whitely Statue Project: With the hope that the wooden statue of Robert Rogers will finally be installed, the committee set the goal of July for this work. Grant Spaulding will lay the needed cement pad and community volunteer Nate will oversee the building of the

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structure needed to protect the statue. Money raised by Roberta Whitely is available in special fund held by Montcalm Street Partnership for construction costs.

Wayside Markers: Bill Dolback announced the new Knox markers will be installed around town near the Liberty Pole in Recreational Park, the Mossy Point boat launch, and in Carillon Park across from the Sewage Treatment Plant.

Human Services: Youth - Mark Russell, Councilman

Current programs are still on hold, we are not opening the facilities yet. We are scheduling interviews for our lifeguards and our Recreational Supervisor position. We are hoping our programs will be back up and running in the fall.

Human Services: Seniors - Tom Cunningham, Councilman

Nothing to report

Municipal Facility Evaluation - Mark Russell, Councilman

Goal of this committee is to look at long term opportunities as far as use of our facilities and how to utilize. The one we are focused on and identified is the Police Department from a safety practicality stand point. One organization we used as a benchmark is the Vergennes Police Department and we are looking at having Chief Merkel come to our next meeting to provide some input from his knowledge of his own department. We have looked at a number of potential solutions in the past and that is where we are at. We will review what has come up in the past and this new presentation to us, then have conversations on potential solutions.

Councilman Woods asked about a timeline for the discussion regarding a decision on the Hudson Headwaters Building. More discussion was held on this and it will be reviewed again at the Committee meeting.

Councilwoman Cooper expressed her disappointment in how long this has been taking.

Health Insurance - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

Nothing to report

Contract Negotiations - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

Nothing to report

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

Spectrum Northeast, LLC, (“Spectrum”), is noticing its customers that on or around May 3, 2021, New York 1 News, located on channel 215, will move from SPP Tier 1 to SPP Basic on the channel lineup serving your community.

Spectrum Northeast, LLC, locally known as Spectrum, is noticing its customers that on or around April 15, 2021, Cheddar, located on Spectrum Channel 221, will rebrand to Cheddar News on the channel lineup serving your community.

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Computers will start rolling out beginning next week. This is a multifaceted project and it has taken a little while to get it all coordinated. It is not only new computers, it is also connection to the server so we will then have networking.

Councilman Cunningham would like to discuss further the Lake George Septic Inspection program that he brought up last month. There is a group of community members from Bolton Landing, Hague and some other communities that are surrounding Lake George to try and get the Lake George Park Commission who is authorized by the State to oversee any water or sewer discharge in the Lake George Basin. They are asking the local communities around the lake to adopt a resolution basically saying that the Lake George Park Commission will look into and try to form a lake wide septic inspection program. Right now there is no unified program, every community has a different one or it is non-existent and as we know Lake George is critical to some of the economic infrastructure around the area, it draws in a lot of tourists, so it is an important resource for our community. It is drinking water for not only Ticonderoga in at least the immediate future, but a lot of people up and down the lake use the water for drinking so it is important that we can keep maintaining the lake and keep it clear. We have been asked as a Town Board if we would adopt a resolution requesting the LGPC to set up a lake wide inspection system. A number of other Town Board's, Hague, Bolton Landing have adopted this resolution, so that is the discussion of it. The impact to Ticonderoga would only be those on Baldwin Road. Black Point Road in Ti and Putnam are on a Town septic/sewer system.

Councilman Woods asked if the Town would have to do anything.

Councilman Cunningham stated no, what they are asking the Town Board to do is state that we think it is a good idea to have a lake wide standardize inspection. They are reluctant to take this over at this time as he understands because they claim that they don't have the resources or the personnel, but they are mandated by the state as the authority to oversee that. (He read the resolution)

Whereas, The Town recognizes that Lake George is the economic engine to our region and that visitors are affected by the lake's crystal clear waters, and

Whereas, Residents and visitors primarily rely on Lake George for their drinking water, and

Whereas, Failing and Poorly maintained septic systems around the lake impact the lake's water quality, hereby threatening not only people's health but also the regions economic viability, and

Whereas, the need for a lake wide septic inspection program has been identified by multiple tasks forces, watershed coalitions and surveyed initiatives since the 1980's,

Now Therefore be it Resolved, the Town Board hereby requests the Lake George Park Commission as the entity empowered by the State to adopt rules and regulations for the

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collection and treatment and discharge of wastewater into the Lake George Park to take the necessary steps to develop framework for lake wide septic inspection program

Mr. Fuller stated that this is entirely a board decision. He does agree that right now it is kind of Hodge Podge, nothing is identical and when you do a real estate deal in each municipality we have to go back and take a look and remember which one has which rules because none are identical. Uniformity may not be a bad idea.

Councilman Russell asked why this would need a resolution,

Councilwoman Cooper stated that it is basically a letter supporting them to form a plan.

Supervisor Giordano does not know if this is support or pressure, these resolutions are drafted for all sorts of reasons and he does not know the politics associated with this particular issue - a similar resolution was circulated a few years back, but that one had a plan, this one is open ended. He doesn't know if there is a reluctance to do this or if they are just looking for buy in from communities. If we are in support this we can pass it at the May meeting. Even it is just to support, something will come from it. Sometimes support will have consequences to it, such as the gates at the Mossy Point Boat Launch, it is a delicate balance between protection and what people deem to be their right to a particular....

Councilman Russell stated that the perception could be that we gave permission or approved this additional inspection which could end up somebody having some additional cost or mitigation or repairs or replacement. He would like to make sure our message is clear and would prefer that we wait till May. This can be done with or without our support, so that is why he is questioning. Like the one to open another voting place....the resolution just to have a resolution is a waste of time, he would rather be working on other stuff like getting the police department done. Sometimes we do these and to him it is not the best use of our time. We need to let the community understand as this may impact them. Let's educate them before we do the resolution. He is not against protecting the lake, he just wants the message to be clear.

Ginger Knenzel was given the floor to speak of this resolution: She was a former Hague Town Board member. This was a grass roots movement actually, the lake wide inspection program has the support of the environmental organizations such as the LGA and it basically is not prescribing how the inspections should be done, it is basically expresses the support of the Town's around the lake that the LGPC should take this on as opposed to individual Town's as you noted, Queensbury and Bolton have different programs and Queensbury is somewhat better because it is run by the Codes Officers and they have actually found that 60 to 70% do not pass inspection which is concerning and it doesn't necessarily mean that they need a new system. Many of the repairs are very small, but it means that there is something wrong and it could lead to leakage into the lake. It has been a red flag that we are seeing and we were told by the DEC that it would be good to just show support by the municipalities around the lake and that then the State and the Park Commission would be more likely to address this issue. There is a white

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Resolutions for Consideration

Resolution #101-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded by Joyce Cooper to accept the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting from March 11, 2021, the Finance Meeting from March 25, 2021, the Special Town Board Meeting from March 31, 2021 and the Town Board Workshop of March 31, 2021. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed - none. Carried.**

Resolution #102-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded by Joseph Giordano authorizing training and prepayment vouchers for registration, hotel, meals and travel. Via the Federal Per Diem rates;

Colt Russell, Water Grade B Operator's Cert. Course, Morrisville, NY, Oct, 25-29, 2021
Derrick Fleury, NYRWA Technical Training Workshop, Online, May 18-19, 2021
Tanner Wright, NYRWA Technical Training Workshop, Online, May 18-19, 2021
Brian Veneto, NYRWA Technical Training Workshop, Online, May 18-19, 2021
All in Favor Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed - none. Carried.**

Resolution #103-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded Dave Woods authorizing the following budget adjustments:

- SW09.9710.700 Debt Service Interest – Bond (\$5,000.00)
- SW09.9710.600 Debt Service Principal - Bond \$5,000.00

Fund underfunded account

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

Resolution #104-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded by Joyce Cooper authorizing the following budget transfers

- A.1989.400 Contingency (\$5,390.72)
- A.5182.494 Street Light/Traffic Light Repair \$5,200.00
- A.7410.412 Library Copier Printer Maintenance & Supplies \$106.05
- A.7410.479 Library System Fees \$84.67

Fund unbudgeted General accounts from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$ 67,377.80)

- DA.1989.400 Contingency (\$1,739.51)
- DA.5142.120 Snow Removal Highway Seasonal/On Call \$1,739.51

Fund unbudgeted Highway account from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$ 13,819.12)

- DA.2770 Highway Other Revenue (\$1,349.53)
- DA.5130.463 Machinery Highway Veh/Equip Repair \$1,349.53

Reimbursement check for overpayment

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Park Ave Sewer District (SS02)	26.10	23,545.96	11,402.95
Alex Ave Sewer District (SS03)	34.15	16,291.33	8,376.96
Homelands Sewer Dist (SS04)	109.93	8,750.20	4,761.52
Central Sewer (SS05)	25,396.30	601,650.59	384,242.83
Commerce Park Sewer (SS06)	96.66	36,498.86	16,525.65
Delano Point Sewer (SS07)	1,211.61	9,709.37	6,532.09
Baldwin Road Sewer Dist (SS08)	123.81	21,820.57	6,384.84
Black Point Road Sewer (SS09)	8,213.37	129,207.67	114,544.45
Hague Road Sewer (SS10)	10.82	5,819.07	2,432.25
9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)	273.41	14,109.07	6,910.31
9N & 74 Water (SW01)		30,315.70	14,747.40
Street Road Water (SW02)		15,024.93	6,085.80
Alex Avenue I Water District (SW03)		12,580.58	6,048.00
Homelands Water District (SW04)		5,040.85	2,397.60
Alex Ave II Water District (SW05)		19,077.30	9,363.60
Central Water (SW06)	34,159.33	525,760.89	220,067.29
Park Ave Water Dist (SW07)		14,398.24	7,122.60
Shore Airport Water (SW09)	20.87	113,978.87	142,509.61
Multi Account Total	567,580.67	7,418,677.00	3,601,879.46
Total Expenditures This Abstract	\$760,249.50		

Resolution #106-2021 brought by Mark Russell, seconded by Tom Cunningham to accept the Supervisor's Report as submitted. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Mark Russell - Aye, Joyce Cooper - Aye, Tom Cunningham - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed - none. Carried.**

Supervisor's Report 4/1 2021

Account Title	GFNB	NYCLASS	GFNB	Total
General	59,624.35	166,322.50	5,495,828.03	5,721,774.88
Airport	17,704.48			17,704.48
Highway	10,605.69	83,749.15	2,210,026.99	2,304,381.83
H17 - Airport	-			-
H36 - Master Drinking Water	3,794.79			3,794.79
H48 - FEMA CH. WA.MA.	-			-
H51 - R&D French Sawmill	-			-
Clean Water H49 H50 H53	146,386.56			146,386.56
H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know	-			-
H57 - Parking Lot Cannonball Path	-			-
H58 - WWTP - HVAC Planning Grant	-			-
H59 - LCBP NEIWPC	-			-
H61 - Chilson Eagle Lake Project	-			-
All other Capital Projects	1,054,674.25			
SS05 & All Districts	38,135.36	682,604.56	826,867.98	1,547,607.90
SW06 - Central Water All Districts	60,908.34	503,476.77	713,307.80	1,277,692.91
C/R - Carillon Park	-	5,121.00		5,121.00
C/R - Liberty Monument	-	504.81		504.81
C/R - Unemployment	-	27,654.18		27,654.18
C/R - Police Equipment	-	54,371.03		54,371.03
C/R - Senior Bus	-	306.34		306.34
C/R - Frazier Bridge	-	6,605.75		6,605.75
C/R - Forfeiture	-	1,731.01		1,731.01

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C/R - Building Improvement	-	325,537.21		325,537.21
C/R - Highway Equipment	-	49,625.89		49,625.89
C/R - Sewer Equipment + Infrastructure	-	290,048.70		290,048.70
C/R - Sewer Repair	-	100,395.49		100,395.49
C/R - Water Equipment + Infrastructure	-	243,096.37		243,096.37
C/R - Water Repair	-	16,207.32		16,207.32
0	-			-
Library Trust	-	33,995.24		33,995.24
Mount Hope Cemetery	-	34,149.42		34,149.42
				12,712,169.88
Total	1,391,83	3,128,979.51	9,246,030.	13,766,844.13

Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

The Black Watch Library will be opening for regular hours starting this Saturday, April 10, 2021. Masks and social distancing will be required and there will be a 10 person patron capacity along with a 30 minute time limit inside the building. The book sale in the Community Building is not open yet.

Councilman Cunningham wondered about the discussion that was had at budget time, in using some of our fund balance to pay off some debts that we had. (This did happen)

Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney

The Town has been trying to come up with a PILOT agreement (payment in lieu of taxes) for the Town in regards to these solar projects that are coming into our town. We hope to set up a PILOT payment for the first 15 years and that PILOT payment would not exceed the potential assessment of taxes. It would be something that would promote and be beneficial to the promotion of the statewide initiative for New York's electricity goals through renewables of 80% reductions by 2050; 50% by 2030. The IDA and NYSERDA has had fruitful discussions and have looked at comparative values from other counties across NYS and also had some proposals provided to us. We have been working on understanding this process. Two things are really before the board. The Town does have PILOT agreements but this could be something more cumbersome particularly especially because it involves a specific entity like solar development. One of the thoughts was to work with the IDA because it is right up their alley and they would work with us. They would handle the administrative aspects of, we would have control over setting the rates; but Mr. Fuller would help us draw up a Memo of Understanding with them and this would be something that they could take on. Ticonderoga is in kind of a unique spot because we are the first municipality in Essex County to actually have a solar law, we have had some other conversations too at the county level for the other town's that are looking to develop their own solar laws, but we are in a pole position if you will and we have done a pretty good job, with regard as to how we rolled this out which is another component to that and this could potentially serve as a model for the rest of the county and for other towns in the county that are looking to also engage with solar developers for their constituents and their properties they have to develop. The first

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question is how do we feel about developing an MOU with the IDA. He personally thinks we have a really good working relationship with our IDA.

The Board agrees -

The next decision is establishing a threshold - there is the 5MW and less and those that are 5MW to 20MW and then 20MW and above. Those that are over 20MW would be a separate negotiation all together. What we have discussed is \$4,300 per MW initial year one cost and then it would escalate 2% every year for 15 years. This was discussed through the IDA and NYSERDA and other data. On large scale renewables from 5MW to 20MW would be more along the lines of \$2,000 per MW with a 2% escalator for 15 years.

Councilman Cunningham noted that the larger projects get less per MW because they are a larger project and their funding is very different and their financing is different so the larger Kilowatt per hour could make a larger project potentially unviable and it wouldn't take place.

Supervisor Giordano agreed, there are more incentives for the smaller projects than the larger ones, so there is less other opportunities for revenue generation and offsetting credits.

Mr. Fuller agreed that the economics are different, and with the meetings that we have had with NYSERDA who has a wealth of information on this, we have realized that the projects at 5MW and under have significant subsidies so their economics are a lot different than above 5MW. Which is why the PILOT schedules a little higher for them. These projects are tax exempt unless a municipality opts out of that tax exemption, but the problem is once you opt out they become assessed at full value and based on the economics right now, they don't work. So potentially, opting out is the same thing as adopting a moratorium, they are not going to build here. So you guys have made a decision of adopting a solar law, which is generally not opting out. So by not opting out, you have the ability to negotiate a PILOT with these companies. Your IDA, Jody is excellent. We do not need a resolution, but a consensus, we will revisit this with the actual proposal of documents to be approved.

Councilman Cunningham wanted to clarify for the public that the reason for establishing these rates is so that we don't have to negotiate individually every time a new project comes up. If these rates are established and someone that is interested in putting in a solar farm, they can look at the adopted rates to see if it is financially viable to come into the town. It removes the onus from the town to have to negotiate with each individual solar project that comes into town.

Mr. Fuller noted that this was very well said and to the Supervisor's point earlier, the Town Board does not necessarily have the expertise to be dealing with these on a case by case basis. You would have to relearn every time the different ins and outs of the projects. From the Town's point, if you get a standard schedule like this and we get

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some standard documents like the IDA has for standard PILOT documents resolutions and they know how to go through it, it just streamlines that process and the Town is not dealing with it. It is a very unique and interesting opportunity for the Town to really work closely with the IDA, and the Town has a great relationship with your IDA and if you didn't, then this wouldn't even be possible, you would be dealing with it on your own. It is good that they are willing to do this and also as the Supervisor said, we are moving this as a model into the rest of the county. Obviously, each municipality can decide whether or not it wants to, but we are making that decision and we will get the benefits from it. So if the board is ok, we will get back to you will a formal document.

Mr. Fuller stated that we are still working on the water project, obviously. Right now working with the Department of Health and the EPA to clarify what we need done for June. When he hears back, he will relay back to the Town Board. That is the top priority right now.

Public Participation

Mark Wright has a comment on the BiCentennial Clock, he knows there has been some challenges associated with getting the clock mechanisms to synchronize but clocks have been around since the 17th century and we are not trying to put a probe on the surface of Mars here, so there must be a way to get some sort of semi-sophisticated timing mechanism here to make this work. They only he would say is even considering covering any faces of the clock is pretty short sided and not very good forward thinking, so...just throwing that out there.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

AGENDA

Pledge to the Flag

Public Hearing

- Regarding introducing proposed Local Law dissolving the Planning Board and vesting the Planning Board powers in the Zoning Board of Appeals

Department Heads

Opening Remarks -- Announcements:

Coronavirus Update & Notifications

- Please continue to follow safety protocols (masking, social dist., hand-washing, etc)
- Vaccinations

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A tentative Rabies Clinic has been scheduled in Ticonderoga for June 8th from 6 to 8 at the Ticonderoga Highway Garage; pre-registration with Essex County DOH is suggested

Presentations

Board of Health – no report

Public Comment (time limit 2 minutes per speaker)

Committee reports:

Public Works JG

RESOLUTION to go out through NY State mini bid for a F250 utility body with lift gate and plow

Airport JG

RESOLUTION to appoint Jon Hanna, Ernie Tobin, Bryan Douros, Dave Iuliano, Dave Woods, Ash Alexander and Joe Giordano to the airport committee

RESOLUTION to accept a Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act 2021 (CRRSAA) grant in the amount of \$9,000 to be expended at the Ticonderoga Municipal Airport and to authorize the supervisor to execute said contract

Public Safety DW

RESOLUTION to increase the Ticonderoga Police Department petty cash fund by \$200.00 for a petty cash total of \$300.00

Highway / Transfer Station TC

RESOLUTION to advertise for the Veteran's Road Culvert Replacement over Five Mile Creek (D036296, PIN 1761.09) with monies to come through reimbursement through the CulvertNY grant

RESOLUTION to award the Sidewalk Bid to Avery Energy for \$4.56 for 4" thickness and \$6.83 for 6" thickness

Building Grounds Parks Rec Library DW/JC

Human Services: Youth MR

Human Services: Seniors TC

Municipal Facility Evaluation: MR

Health Insurance JG

Contract negotiations JG

I.T. / Cable T.V. JG

Resolutions:

Minutes for a Ticonderoga Regular Town Board Meeting held on April 8, 2021 commencing at 6:00 p.m. with a Public Hearing for Dissolution of the Town Planning Board and vesting the powers into the Town Zoning Board of Appeals

RESOLUTION to accept/correct minutes of Regular TB Meeting March 11, 2021, the Finance Meeting of March 25, 2021, the Special TB Meeting of March 31, 2021 and the TB Workshop of March 31, 2021

RESOLUTION authorizing training and prepayment vouchers for registration, hotel, meals and travel. Via the Federal Per Diem rates;

1. Colt Russell, Water Grade B Operator's Cert. Course, Morrisville, NY, Oct, 25-29, 2021
2. Derrick Fleury, NYRWA Technical Training Workshop, Online, May 18-19, 2021
3. Tanner Wright, NYRWA Technical Training Workshop, Online, May 18-19, 2021
4. Brian Veneto, NYRWA Technical Training Workshop, Online, May 18-19, 2021

RESOLUTION authorizing the following Budget Adjustments

- o SW09.9710.700 Debt Service Interest – Bond (\$5,000.00)
- o SW09.9710.600 Debt Service Principal - Bond \$5,000.00

Fund underfunded account

RESOLUTION authorizing the following budget transfers

- o A.1989.400 Contingency (\$5,390.72)
- o A.5182.494 Street Light/Traffic Light Repair \$5,200.00
- o A.7410.412 Library Copier Printer Maintenance & Supplies \$106.05
- o A.7410.479 Library System Fees \$84.67

Fund unbudgeted General accounts from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$ 67,377.80)

- o DA.1989.400 Contingency (\$1,739.51)
- o DA.5142.120 Snow Removal Highway Seasonal/On Call \$1,739.51

Fund unbudgeted Highway account from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$ 13,819.12)

- o DA.2770 Highway Other Revenue (\$1,349.53)
- o DA.5130.463 Machinery Highway Veh/Equip Repair \$1,349.53

Reimbursement check for overpayment

- o DA.2680 Insurance Recoveries (\$7,697.75)
- o DA.5130.463 Machinery Highway Veh/Equip Repair \$7,697.75

Reimbursement from insurance company to cover payment for accident

RESOLUTION to Pay the Abstract

RESOLUTION to accept the Supervisor's Report as submitted

Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Attorney, Matt Fuller

Public Comment (time limit 2 minutes per speaker)

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting