

**Minutes for a Ticonderoga Budget Workshop held on September 12, 2023,  
commencing at 8:00 a.m. with any Other Lawful Business**

**Present:** Mark A. Wright, Supervisor  
Dave Woods, Councilman  
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman  
Tom Thatcher, Councilman  
Tom Cunningham, Councilman  
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

**Others:** Rebecca Norton and Amy Beeman from Finance Chief Hurlburt, Sgt. Belden, Judges LaPerle and O'Bryan and Heather Johns

Supervisor Wright opened the meeting with discussion on the Police Budget with the Chief and Sgt.

Judges LaPerle and O'Bryan were back in front of the board providing a bit more information on the Court Clerk-Exempt position. It will still be paid hourly and can accrue Over-time.

Heather Johns presented the Library Budget.

The board discussed other departments as shown in the agenda.

After much discussion, the board has decided to do another review of all budgets and will ask the Department Heads to re-evaluate their budgets again on items that can be reduced or excluded to get closer to the tax cap.

Workshop closed at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Workshop #5: 09/12/2023 0800-1100
Workshop #6: 09/19/2023 1300-1500
Workshop #7: 10/19/2023 1300-1500
Workshop #8: 10/25/2023 0800-1000

**AGENDA**  
**Budget Working Group**

**Budget Workshop #5** (09/12/2023)

- **Police Budget**
  - Budget reflects latest union agreement.
    - + \$0.25/hr with 3% officer increase
    - + \$0.25/hr with 15% Sgt increase
  - Town Benefits, Line 72-73: Why would Stop DWI and GTSC have pension and SS taken out?
  - Overtime costs – how has new Sgt and officer reduced?
    - Projections?
    - Currently budgeted for 1600 hrs OT.

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- **Library Budget**
  - Budget review.
  - Copier status.
- **Tax Summary Status Review**
  - Awaiting some PILOT numbers for solar.
  - Fluid until final carry over amounts are finalized.
- **Water and Sewer Rates**
  - With and without carryover.
  - With and without use of fund balance.
- **Miscellaneous**
  - A8510 Community Beautification.
  - A6989 Economic Development: PRIDE estimated costs to aid Town in DRI work.
  - Court Clerk.
  - DA Capital Reserves: Finance coordinate w/Hwy on \$181K value.