

Minutes for a Ticonderoga Town Board meeting held on November 9, 2023, commencing at 6:00 p.m. with Public Hearings on the 2024 Ticonderoga Budget, 2024 Water/Sewer Rates and Commercial District Boundary lines.

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

Others: Donna Wotton, Alan Densmore, Laura Wright, Joe & Alicia Vilardo, Chris Facticeau, Alex Swajger, Kierra Bechard, Connor Beldon, Isabella Stacy, Health Towne (arrived a bit late)

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

Preliminary budget was completed on 10/27/2023 and was filed with the Town Clerk. We have held eight budget workshops that were open to the public, no public attended. No presentations tonight but we do have three public hearings. First is on amending the zoning in the commercial district of town, second is on the Proposed 2024 Town Budget and third is on the Proposed 2024 water and sewer rates.

Boundaries for the Commercial Zone

This public hearing will only address the information behind what we are trying to do. This hearing will be tabled until the December meeting while we wait for the draft of the language that will accompany this. Right now, there are areas that the Town should review when it comes to our zoning law and we will get to those when we revise our Comprehensive Plan. Right now, it makes no sense to do a whole lot of that, but we do have one issue that was discovered during the DRI process. It became apparent that several portions of many parcels along Montcalm street that were being divided into two different zoning areas, central commercial and high density residential, which absolutely makes no sense and we do not know how this happened, but it does affect certain parcels that are in the business district from Moses Circle down Montcalm Street to Champlain Avenue and that is the section that we are going to address first. These parcels housed commercial activities for decades, some of them for 100 or 200 years and unfortunately the way it is divided affects several of these commercial business operations and our future economic development, so it has to be corrected. The Town began the effort recently to address this, we have received zoning maps from the county that will identify the tax map numbers affected. We referred the issue to the Ticonderoga Planning and Zoning board and they did review the issues and agreed with Resolution #58-2023 that night recommending that the boundary lines of the Commercial District be re-located to the most southernly boundary of those affected properties in the Commercial District. They also provided the tax map numbers of those affected parcels. What we will do in the next month is continue this public hearing and draft an amendment to the zoning boundary. Again, there are other areas in this Town that need a similar correction, but we will not do those until we have a Comprehensive Plan done. At this time the public hearing is open for public comment.

Joe Vilardo wanted to be clear, this will be next month before anything is voted on. Yes

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Public hearing is continued until next month.

2024 Ticonderoga Town Budget

Essex County Board of Supervisors had some interesting comments as they are also going through the budget process. One of the comments by the County Manager was interesting, he had stated that the State tax cap was meant to be exceeded. There was just no way that municipalities can continue to stay under a 2% tax cap, when everything else is going up. The purpose and goal of the tax cap is to keep municipalities in check when they come up with their budgets and we certainly understand that. The reason that the tax cap comment was made was the sheer fact that we can't keep the costs under that type of control. Along with the tax cap there is another tool that does allow municipalities to exceed the tax cap, that is what we have done in this particular budget cycle. Another statement that was made and has been made here was that any municipality that continues to use its fund balance to stay under that cap will go bankrupt. A few things that occurred in our budget is that we had a 6.2% inflation rate increase, 44% in our workman's comp, 11% in our health insurance, 7 ½% in the Chilson Fire Budget, so, with all of these things going on, we just can't stay underneath that cap. Despite these increases, the board has done a good job to either cut or reduce approximately \$650,000.00 from the budget, that is a pretty good job. We are 6.9% over last year. He is proud of what we have accomplished, he thinks we did a good job, it is not a crazy budget, we cut a lot out this year. With that the floor is open for public comment on the 2024 budget.

No Comment – Public Hearing closed at 6:10 p.m.

2024 Water and Sewer Rates

The water and sewer rates are determined by the costs of what it takes to provide those services. No other monies are moved in or out of those funds to pay for any other funds such as the general or highway funds. The revenue and the expense have to balance, so if it costs less or more in any given year to provide those services then those quarterly rates will adjust accordingly. This year was kind of interesting as we are reducing the amount of health care plans that the Town is offering to its employees from four plans to two and a lot of employees, some in the water and sewer department changed their plans and some took buyouts so that significantly decreases the cost the Town has to pay for their insurance and because of that the sewer rate remained the same as last year. There is a lot that goes into those rates, the cost of supply lines, sewage collection costs, health insurance, workman's comp, a bunch of things go into what those final rates end up being for your water and sewer. So, for 2024 the sewer rates will remain unchanged at \$154.00 a quarter, the 2024 water rates will increase \$8.00 a quarter to \$128.00 a quarter for district users, the 2024 water rates for Chilson and Eagle Lake contract users will remain at \$112.00 a quarter as it was this year and that is where we are. Public comment is open.

No Comment – Public Hearing closed at 6:12 p.m.

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Report of Committees

Airport – Tom Thatcher, Councilman

TICONDEROGA AIRPORT 4B6

8 November 2023

The meeting was called to order at 0830 in the Town Hall followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Present:, Alan Densmore, Dave Woods, Gary Vosburg, Mark Wright, Tom Thatcher, Bryan Duros, Ash Alexander and Jon Hanna
Guests: Dave I. and Terry Smith

Mark asked about the number of based planes at the airport.

Jon said that we sold 2,103 gallons of fuel last month.

lighting has to be completed. Bryan will check on this.

We will need a sign for the new gate code and a flap to cover it on the door. Dave W. to work on that. The new sign for the Airport has arrived but, printed on one side, Tom will get it done on the back side.

We talked about the purchase of additional land; this will allow us to own the runway protection area and add to our base so we can add hangers. Mark said that we should invite Passero to an upcoming meeting.

We talked about the lack of taxi service in Ti, which is not a plus for the airport. Jon then mentioned that we could hold a Fly-In next spring, this would bring in planes from all around the area to show all our improvements and what Ticonderoga has to offer, maybe get a food truck to come in for the day. Much talk on the subject. Mark said that we could get the chamber involved. A date prior to Memorial day would be best.

Fire extinguishers need to be inspected for the next year. Tom will follow up with Tonya.

Meeting adjourned at 0852.

Next monthly meeting will be 0830, Tuesday, 5 December, at the town hall.

Submitted by Jon Hanna

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Building & Grounds – Dave Woods, Councilman

- Commtty Bldg Generator is up and running – a test run will happen at 8:00 a.m. Mondays
- New Wiring in the basement of the Cmmtty Bldg for an additional three outlets

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

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2023

Committee members present were James Chauncy, Jerry Cooper, Fallon Jordan, Nancy Kelley, Grant Spaulding, Tonya Thompson, Joyce Cooper, and Dave Woods. Also present were Eric Blanchard, Tom Thatcher and Mark Wright.

Trestle Bridge:

Eric Blanchard of the town's Sewer and Water Department was present to talk about the structural condition of the bridge. Following a public report of the poor condition of some boards on the bridge, Eric was asked to take a look and possibly do some replacement of damaged boards. Five boards have been replaced by him and others have been replaced in the past. Because the bridge is used by many people including the school's Cross-Country team and other school children, the condition of the bridge should be an ongoing concern for the town. Moreover, with the anticipated replacement of the Alexandria Bridge in 2024, the Trestle Bridge will be the only walking route available for school children. The committee decided that a more detailed look at the Trestle Bridge must be taken, and an RFP issued for more extensive needed repairs.

Town Christmas Tree/Arborist:

Joyce Cooper reported that she had received a call back from a state certified arborist in Wilmington. Although southern Essex County is not part of his business territory, he has agreed to come and take a look at the town Christmas tree and other park trees showing signs of distress. Sal and the Highway crew will come to the Community Building to straighten the star and check the strings of lights on the tree. There are presently 4 strings of lights with 1000 bulbs on each string.

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Beach Playground:

Fallon Jordan reported that the beach playground is almost ready for use. Two metal platforms to allow handicapped accessibility are awaiting installation. The old swing set is being repainted with lead-free paint. Making the new play area ADA compliant has been the top priority. Playground rules will be displayed on a sign naming the new area Cooper Playground. This name was chosen by PRIDE.

Nancy Kelley expressed some concerns about making sure the beach play area is truly ADA accessible. Although the new piece of equipment is ADA compliant, it appears that the rest of the beach access is not. Councilwoman Cooper noted that the town handicapped access needs to not only include the entrances to the beach building and the picnic pavilion but also from the beach parking lot. An ADA compliant path from a parking lot handicapped parking space should run behind these 2 structures all the way to the new play area. The Highway Department will be asked to recommend materials for this pathway and consider taking on construction of the path. This will be a high priority in 2024 before the beach opens. Highway will also be asked to rake the beach and remove any pieces of concrete that may remain. New trees for the beach were also suggested.

New Photo Kiosks in LaChute Trail Corridor:

Work on these kiosks has been completed and 11 new photo panels have been installed. This work was the result of a grant received by PRIDE to refresh and update these panels displaying photographs of the town's past, especially its industrial history. The town's Groundskeeping Crew worked in cooperation with PRIDE, removing the old panels, repainting the stands, and installing the new panels. Thank you, PRIDE and Groundkeepers, for making these needed updates available for town residents and visitors.

2023 and 2024 Budget Monies:

November and December Parks and Rec Committee meetings will be used to discuss needed purchases and projects in 2024. Public safety and ADA compliance projects will be a high priority,

The next Parks and Rec Committee meeting is Tuesday, November 21.

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Economic Development – Mark Wright, Supervisor

Town of Ticonderoga

Economic Development Committee (EDC) Minutes (10/18/2023)

Attendees: Mark A. Wright (Chair); Tom Cunningham (Vice-Chair); Matt Courtright (TACC); John Bartlett (TMSP); Donna Wotton (TRA); Nicole Justice Green (PRIDE); Beth Hill (Fort Ticonderoga Association).

Excused: Heath Towne (Business)

Guests: Carole Calabrese (ECIDA); Ticonderoga High School Seniors

Mark Wright opened the meeting (1500).

DRI Updates

- Mark Wright provided an update regarding the latest DRI status. LPC#5 meeting occurred and brought the project totals to within the required margin. 4 of 7 municipal projects have been removed to date from the overall project list during this process. The Town is currently examining a zoning issue that affects one project, but also affects several other commercial businesses along the Montcalm and Wicker Street areas.

Miscellaneous Topics

- Town Microgrant: Wright stated 6 applications are in work for the microgrant. Carol Calabrese provided more detail on the upcoming actions. Parties will receive applications and have one week to return. Donna Wotton inquired as to the number of members on the review panel (5).
- Field Mowing: Wright stated that the TACC/Town/Fort Ti meeting regarding mowing Ft. Ti fields for bass fishing competitions will not occur. TACC and the Town will discuss funding. Matt Courtright stated they expect more contests this year as some national tournaments will be coming to Ticonderoga as part of a rotation process.
- Childcare: Donna Wotton stated the RFP for a St. Mary's project provider closed last Friday. Matt Courtright offered TACC services to distribute information through their contractor list. Donna added all classroom components must be certified. Nicole Justice Green stated Katie Alexander is completing an electrical upgrade at Punky Noodles. No open slots but there is a waiting list.
- Fort Ticonderoga Association: Beth Hill reported a strong Fall at the fort.
- TMSP: John Bartlett reported a successful Fall Fest. Wright stated it was one of the best he has seen.

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- 2024 Eclipse: Matt Courtright updated the group and provided materials related to the 2024 eclipse which will be visible in portions of Adirondack Park. The EDC will use its November meeting to host ROOST for a public information meeting on this event and what to expect.
- TACC: Matt announced and provided materials for National Job Action Day. There are several ribbon cuttings coming up on the schedule.
- PRIDE: Nicole reported on the beach playground and new La Chute trail historic information signs which Town Parks crews installed. There is now a roof on the PRIDE building. PRIDE is adding 2 new positions (construction manager, grants manager).
- The Committee introduced themselves to the visiting Ticonderoga High School seniors and had a short discussion with them.

ACTION ITEMS:

- None

Meeting adjourned: 1556.

Highway/Transfer Station – Dave Woods, Councilman

**Town of Ticonderoga
Highway and Transfer Station
October 31, 2023, minutes of Meeting**

Present:

Heath Towne, John Deming, Mark Wright, Dave Woods, Mitch Cole

Others:

Public Discussion

Said the Pledge of Allegiance

Public discussion

End public comment.

Committee Discussion

- Mitch – We have gotten the trucks prepped for winter. Making sure everything is serviced and ready.
- Dave – Sidewalks, we are pouring on Morehouse today and Lake George Ave Thursday.

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- Mitch – we are still working on getting the sidewalk plow fixed.
- Mark – is the stripping machine working?
 - I (Mitch) will check to see if it's operational.
- Mitch – we still have more paving we would like to complete but we are running out of time. We will do what we can until the weather stops us.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:26am

Minutes were taken and prepared by Rebecca Norton

Municipal Facility Evaluation – Tom Cunningham, Councilman

No Meeting was held – waiting for inform from the financial advisors on the evaluation between a purchase and a lease. Hoping to have answers for the Financial Meeting.

Public Safety – Dave Woods, Councilman

Public Safety Meeting

October 31, 2023

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

Guests: Supervisor Wright.

Councilman Woods starts the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

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

CODES DEPARTMENT:

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

Dave Burrows asks if this can be discussed at the next zoning board meeting, Dave states his concerns and asks if we want to revisit the zoning laws for the Long term battery storage needed for the Solar panels, knowing that there is an issue with the equipment and the fires that are related to them, Dave Woods asked what happened did they explode? Dave Burrows said no they overheat, malfunction and then create a huge fire that last a couple days because the fire departments don't have the equipment to extinguish the fires, they basically just let them burn.

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The meeting ends at 8:19am

Next meeting is November 28th at 8:00am

The following is a summary of the activities of the Ticonderoga Police Department from September 26th, 2023 – October 30th, 2023.

<u>Patrol Statistics</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Approx. Calls to Service:	246	3751
Incident reports:	65	382
Arrests:	61	298
Uniform traffic tickets:	69	567
DWI arrests:	3	23
Accidents investigated:	15	98

10/16/2023 - Sergeant Budwick and Officer Bush traveled to Illinois to pick up Jason Gacel on a Felony Drug Warrant. Upon return Gacel was remanded to the Essex County Correctional Facility.

10/18/2023 – All officers successfully passed the annual firearms qualification course.

Congratulations to Officer Scott Cook for successfully passing the zone 9 police academy. Officer Cook graduated the Academy on 10/6/2023 and completed his field training on 10/29/2023.

Reminder that Montcalm Street will be shut down from the intersection of Lake George Avenue to the Bicentennial Park for the Annual Downtown Trick or Treat Event. The road will be closed off to all traffic starting at 3:15PM and remain closed until 5:00PM

The following is a summary of the activities of the Building Inspection / Code Enforcement Department.

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Building Inspection:

(September)

YTD

Building Permits Issued:

12

179

Safety Inspections:

0

40

Pass/Fail:

0/0

37/2

Permit & Inspection Notes:

- 6- Alterations/Repairs Permits → NYS Rt 9N, Father Jogues, The Portage, Putts Pond Rd & Baldwin (2)
- 3- Shed Permits → NYS Rt 9N (2) & The Portage
- 1- New Residential Construction → Baldwin Rd
- 1- New Garage Permit → Putts Pond Rd
- 1- Re-Roofing Permit → Black Point Rd

Code Violation Notices:

(September)

YTD

Order to Remedy:

1

42

Remediated:

0

26

Clean-Up Contractor:

0

4

NYS DFS

0

0

Condemned:

0

0

Do Not Occupy:

0

2

Appearance Tickets:

0

2

Code Violation Notes

- OTR- Garbage & Rubbish Violation → Park Ave (No Response from Owner)

Miscellaneous:

(September)

YTD

*Complaints:

1

40

Resolved:

0

6/21

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Misc. Complaint Notes:

- Complaint from Neighbor on Park Ave about Garbage & Rubbish at a neighboring property, we have sent two OTR Certified, and both were returned. Spoke with the Post office and they stated they are no longer delivering mail to the Residence due to all the garbage on the porch where mailbox is located.

Trainings:

No Trainings this Month!

Safety & Resource Grants (YTD):

N/A

Noteworthy Highlights / Achievements:

- Discuss 8 Park Ave issue.
- Questions on Battery Storage for Solar Fields.

Public Works – Mark Wright, Supervisor

**Town of Ticonderoga
Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes
October 31, 2023
10:00 am**

Committee Members Present: Mark Wright, Derrick Fleury, Tom Cunningham, Eric Blanchard, Matt Fuller (Town Attorney), Sherry Veneto

Others: Shannon Vogt (AES-Architecture, Engineering, & Land Surveying), Kristin Darby (AES), Jennifer Weeks (AES), Robert Seissen

Pledge to the Flag

Public Comment: None

Items for Discussion:

2751 NYS Route 74 (Blanchard)

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1. Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard submitted their request for water service termination but altered the agreement by crossing out lines in the document. It was brought to the Town Board for discussion. The Town Board did not accept the agreement with the alterations.
2. Matt has drafted a letter that will go out to Mr. & Mrs. Blanchard about the agreement not being acceptable and they will continue to be billed until the unaltered agreement is agreed upon and signed by them.
 - i. The letter will be sent out to the Blanchards in hopes they will come in to sign the unaltered agreement.

Account Changing Discussion

1. Discussion was had if there was a way to change the way the billing accounts could be corrected when need be. When a building is removed, apartments are removed from the property/residence, etc..
2. Right now, corrections are made by what the tax roll states. If a property change happens after March 1 the account cannot be corrected until the following year's tax roll.
 - i. After the discussion, it was decided that the current process will remain.

Lead Service Line replacement Project

1. Mark received the answers he was looking for prior to the meeting. No need for further discussion.

Homelands Sewer

1. One pump at Homelands is not working very well. The last storm Derrick had to call haulers in again. The station needs one pump replaced; parts are obsolete. AES was asked if they could come up with a better suited pump. Derrick will gather estimates and bring them back to the committee.

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Black Point Pump Station

1. Not many people are up there now, and there was no smell the last time Derrick in Eric were up there.
2. Derrick would like to install the peat moss beds in the Spring.

Superintendent's Report

Trees near Gooseneck need to be cleared/cleaned up along the trail. He will work on getting a TRP.

Still waiting on Bellamy for parts and pricing for the leak in Aaron's parking lot. If it's too much longer, the hole will be filled in.

Iannuzzi property now has a permit from the APA for the lot that was deemed unbuildable. Derrick is working with Dave Burrows to keep track of this subject.

The last couple of weeks 2 sewer taps/connections have been done.

The Town has a couple loads of grit to be removed. Franklin County cannot take anything until after the 1st of the new year. Derrick is going to contact Cassella to see if they will accept it.

The pump station has a main pump that is wearing out. He would like to look into replacing that pump.

Siding on the filter plant at Steamboat Landing is in rough shape. It seems to be shrinking and leaving gaps. Maybe ask Dave Ross for a roundabout quote.

Chief Wastewater Operator's Report

They've been winterizing the plant, covering vents, and draining lines. Today is the last day for running UV for the year.

Eric built a canopy roof over the septage receiving control board.

Fall land spreading is happening this week.

The EFC visit went well. They were impressed with the plant and the updates so far.

Town Supervisor discussions

None

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AES Report

October 31, 2023, 10:00:00 AM

Town of Ticonderoga Public Works Meeting

AES Northeast, Town of Ticonderoga

1. Water

I. Chilson Eagle Lake (Required by DOH)

- Update from EPA/EFC - EFC will supply funding for Test Well Drilling
- IUP 2023 was posted for DWSRF/BIL - Chilson was awarded \$14,000,000.00.
- AES provided the Town with estimated costs for Test Well Drilling at both the Porter and Williams Properties
- Next Steps?
 - i. HydroSource perform Geophysical Survey on Porter & Williams Properties
 - ii. Go out to RFP for Well Drilling
 - iii. Develop MPR
 - iv. District Vote

II. Water Meters (Required by DEC)

- Town elected to move forward with ultrasonic meters in a drive-by system to later be upgraded at the Town's discretion.
- NEXT STEPS:
 - i. Provide DEC with an updated schedule. - waiting to hear back from Albany DEC
 - ii. NEED TO ESTABLISH RATES – Baker Tilly?
 - iii. Funding June 2024
 - iv. Design Finalize Dec 2024
 - v. Agency Review 2025
 - vi. Bidding Fall 2025
 - vii. Construction 2026-2027

III. Water District Consolidation (COMPLETE AND SUBMITTED TO TOWN)

- Need to Audit District
- **Awaiting approval from Board to file maps with County Clerk**

IV. 4852: LSLRP

- Project is complete, final close out and paperwork is in process.
- AES will provide a record of completed properties, Contractor Field Reports, and costs.

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V. Proposed Project 5262: Lead Service Lines

- AES has submitted a proposal to the Town for assisting in completing Lead Service Inventory on **10/24/23**.

VI. Additional Water System Upgrades

- **4975**: AES has provided the Town with three (3) quotes for transient pressure loggers on **9/6/23**.
- **Quote expired 10/30/23**.

2. Wastewater

I. AES #4394 Portage

- AES has pulled together documents in response to Reale's Claim
- Upon request from Town AES will provide documentation following review by our attorney

II. Treatment Plant

- AES has completed Engineering Report for WPCP (AES Project #5052 WWTP Phosphorous Removal). It was submitted to DEC/EFC on 9/8/2023 and was supplied to Derrick/Eric on **10/11/23**.
- EFC walk through 8:30 AM **10/31/23**.

III. Collection System

- The Updated Long Term Control Plan Draft Permit extended due date to August 1, 2024
- AES has finalized a presentation of priority service areas for whenever the Town is ready to review.

IV. Funding

- Engineering Contract executed, need to identify next steps.
 - i. 5004: Town signed acceptance of BIL January 2023
- Waiting for the announcement of WIIA Awards – Essex Co applied 2023.

V. Additional Permitting Requirements

- None at this time

VI. Additional Wastewater System Upgrades

- Sewer District Consolidation
 - Committee would like to start consolidation following Water District Consolidation

3. Additional Items

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I. Fiscal Advisors

- a. Baker Tilly has provided updated report of Town's Financial status.

II. St Clair Storm Culvert

- a. AES put together Proposal for Report on St Clair and sent to Town for Review
- b. Waiting to hear back from NYS DEC on NOV response.
 - i. Connor Cincotta reached out last week requesting missing signature page.
- c. Lowes performed some maintenance on the Bio-Retention Pond, but this only included mowing and not dredging the Pond.

III. Fireman's Field

- a. Escrow set up and LOA processed.
- b. Waiting on proposed plans from EP Land Surveying

IV. Golf Course

- a. AES drafted a letter responding to Golf Course and sent to Town on **9/8/23**.
- b. Any response from Golf Course?

V. Well Field Building

- a. Status of Well abandonment?
- b. Cyber Security Report due to NYS DOH – AES to populate.

VI. OTHER

a. Homeland Sewer

- i. Jen has reviewed alternatives with Derrick on **10/30/23**.
- ii. AES has drafted an LOA for work associated with evaluating the pumping needs and alternatives.

b. Black Point Sewer

- i. Michael Metcalf provided information on peat moss beds at the last meeting.
- ii. Derrick/Eric installed carbon bags on outlets to manage odors.

The meeting was Adjourned at 11:13.

Next Committee meeting is November 28, 2023, at 10:00.

Minutes submitted by Sherry Veneto Water/Wastewater Clerk

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Human Services: Youth - Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman

There are approximately 31 children attending the After School Program so far, James Chauncy is doing a great job. Activity Attendants are working out well. Very optimistic that things are going well. He has everything under control. He did adjust the outside play area a bit where the road gets closed down. It starts at the gate coming into the road and one just before the garage out back.

Resolution #453-2023 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher to offer employment to Jennifer Charlton and Alexis Towne as Activities Attendants at \$14.20 per hour, no benefits. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #454-2023 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Joyce Cooper appointing Ash Alexander as Skating Rink Attendant for the 2023 – 2024 winter skating season. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Human Services: Seniors – Tom Cunningham, Councilman

**TI AREA SENIORS
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MINUTES
OCTOBER 25, 2023**

IN ATTENDANCE: Sharon Mitchell, President, Joan Kay, Vice President

ABSENT: Patty Reid, Secretary/Treasurer

Marlene Charboneau, Activities Director

Tom Cunningham- Town of Ticonderoga Representative

Guest Speaker: Brooke Dubuque – Alzheimer’s Association

Members: Rosemary Matte, Aileen Rafferty, Sandy Urban, Sara Guyette

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by the President, Sharon Mitchell.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was recited by the membership.

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MINUTES: The minutes of the September 27th meeting were read by Joan Kay. Motion by Aileen Rafferty to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Sandy Urban. All in favor. Motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKER: Brooke Dubuque - Alzheimer's Association

Brooke reviewed the 10 warning signs to look out for Alzheimer's and dementia.

- 1) Memory loss that disrupts daily life.
- 2) Challenges in planning or solving problems.
- 3) Difficulty completing familiar tasks.
- 4) Confusion with time or place.
- 5) Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships.
- 6) New problems with words in speaking or writing.
- 7) Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps.
- 8) Decrease or poor judgment.
- 9) Withdrawal from work or social activities.
- 10) Changes in mood or personality.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report was given by Sharon Mitchell. The beginning balance for September was \$14651.68. The ending balance is \$13949.37.

OLD BUSINESS:

MEMBERSHIP DUES: The increase in membership dues to \$15.00 per year was passed at our last meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

PARKING BUMPERS: Sharon stated that the town approved the parking bumpers. They will install them when they get a chance.

2024 BUDGET: Sharon stated that the budget for 2024 was submitted to the town. The town did not approve the \$500.00 increase.

DRAWING FOR A FREE LUNCH FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AT THE ACAP KITCHEN:

The 2 winners are: Cindy Gunning and Beth Iuliano

TOWN REPORT: Tom Cunningham

Tom stated that there is an election coming up. This is for the Supervisor and Town Council.

Tom also stated that the town hopes to have the bumpers in before the end of the year.

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The Budget is ready for approval. We are over the tax cap. There will be a public hearing. The town did not approve of the \$500.00 increase requested by the Senior Center.

There is going to be a daycare center in the old St. Mary's School. The mill and others have donated money toward it.

The town is still looking into the police department building and the Chilson Water problem.

BIRTHDAYS: Aileen Rafferty read off the birthdays for the month of November.

ACTIVITY DIRECTOR:

SENIOR SUPPER CLUB: Marlene reported that everyone had a fantastic time at the Burgoyne Grill. The food was excellent.

The senior dinner for November 2nd will hopefully be at the Trail Break in Schroon Lake. I have notified Barry Pitkin many times and I have not heard back from him for the entrees.

I will let everyone know as soon as possible.

BINGO: The senior center held their first day of bingo on Tuesday, October 17th at 10:00am. There were only 4 people playing, but we had a great time. We are hoping that more people will attend in the future. The days for bingo for November and December will be the second Tuesday at 10:00am. This is because of the holidays in both months.

RAFFLE: Winner of the free milkshake or sundae and free coffee or hot chocolate at Stewart's is Sara Guyette.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Sandy Urban to adjourn the meeting at 2:25pm. Seconded by Aileen Rafferty. All in favor. Motion carried.

Health Insurance – Mark Wright, Supervisor
No report

Contract Negotiations – Mark Wright, Supervisor
No report

I.T. / Cable – Mark Wright, Supervisor

This letter will serve as notice that on or around November 27, 2023, Spectrum Northeast, LLC ("Spectrum"), will launch carriage of Lifetime Movie Network (LMN) in standard definition, channel 31, 52, 56, 61-69 or 71 and high definition, channel 630 on SPP Select on the channel lineup serving your community.

Resolutions for Consideration

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Resolution #455-2023 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Joyce Cooper authorizing a creation of new account: A.0691.000 General Deferred Revenue (to receive funds for Escrow Account). **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #456-2023 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Dave Woods authorizing the purchase of Belt Press Pump repair parts, from Emerick Associates. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #457-2023 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Tom Thatcher authorizing the creation of a purchase order to Emerick Associates for Belt Press Pump repair parts. Total purchase price will be \$10,992.00. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #458-2023 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher authorizing the following budget transfers:

A.1989.400	Contingency	(\$3,738.67)
A.8510.464	Community Beautification Motor Fuel	\$52.68
A.8810.464	Cemeteries Motor Fuel	\$89.23
A.8810.463	Cemeteries Repair & Maintenance	\$70.04
A.1110.191	Justices Overtime	\$910.52
A.1650.453	Central Communications Internet	\$53.43
A.1660.411	Central Storeroom General Supplies	\$347.50
A.3120.412	Police & Constable Copier Supplies	\$228.79
A.3120.464	Police & Constable Motor Fuel	\$386.42
A.3120.477	Police & Constable Education & Training	\$800.00
A.6772.464	Programs for the Aging Motor Fuel	\$800.06

Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$18,083.94).

DA.1989.400	Contingency	(\$1,684.99)
DA.5130.465	Machinery Highway Lubricants	\$259.37
DA.5130.467	Machinery Highway Small Equipment & Tools	\$910.46
DA.5142.463	Snow Removal Highway Vehicle/Equip Repair & Maint.	\$515.16

Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$4,293.53).

SS05.1989.400	Contingency	(\$946.05)
SS01.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$31.60
SS04.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$54.69
SS06.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$53.39
SS07.8130.405	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$454.17
SS07.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$75.97
SS08.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$92.83
SS09.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$79.74
SS10.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$8.38
SS11.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$95.28
SS05.8110.477	Sewer Education & Training	\$175.00

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SS05.8110.491	Sewer Town Attorney	\$665.00
Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$4,728.78).		
SW06.1989.400	Contingency	(\$1,134.27)
SW06.8310.411	Water Office Supplies	\$162.00
SW06.8310.451	Water Administration Telephone	\$49.78
SW06.8310.491	Water Admin. Contractual Legal Services	\$315.00
SW06.8320.479	Water Filtration Plant	\$607.49

Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$12,041.20).

A.2389	Other Government	(\$50,000.00)
A.6989.405	Economic Development TIME Program	\$50,000.00

Transfer ROOST monies received to the expense line for TIME Program disbursement.

A.1440.493	General Engineer	(\$766.97)
A.1420.491	General Attorney	766.97
A.7310.470	Youth Ski Programs	(\$868.07)
A.7140.400	Playgrounds & Rec. Contractual	\$310.00
A.7140.472	Playgrounds & Rec. Meals	\$558.07

Transfer funds to cover increased and additional costs.

SS05.0450.020	Capital Reserve – Sewer Infrastructure	(\$1,673.66)
SS05.8120.220	Sanitary Sewers Equipment	\$1,673.66

Transfer funds from Capital Reserve to purchase additional equipment for skid-steer.

All in Favor Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #459-2023 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Cunningham authorizing the following budget adjustments:

A.5132.464	Garage Dyes Diesel & Gasoline	\$12,774.72
A.5182.499	Street Lighting	\$6,906.06
A.1620.421	Buildings Electric	\$1,199.25
A.1620.461	Buildings General Cleaning Supplies	\$1,963.02
A.1310.861	Finance General Employee Benefits	\$2,185.79

Funding accounts by General Fund Balance for increased & additional costs.

DA.5110.464	Highway Motor Fuel	\$4,219.07
DA.5142.466	Highway Road Materials	\$1,720.58

Funding account by Highway Fund Balances to cover increased costs.

SS04.8130.405	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Contractual	\$1,106.67
SS05.8130.421	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Sewer Electric	\$3,264.64
SS05.8130.499	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Lab Medical Testing	\$3,192.00
SS05.8130.195	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Pager Pay	\$580.00

Funding account by Sewer Fund Balances to cover increased costs.

SW06.8320.421	Source of Supply Power & Pumping Water Electric	\$3,597.21
SW06.8320.465	Source of Supply Power & Pump Chem & Additives	\$7,887.62
SW06.8340.195	Transmission & Dist. Water Pager Pay	\$1,120.00

Funding account by Water Fund Balances to cover increased costs.

All in Favor Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

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Resolution #460-2023 brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Dave Woods authorizing the following Inter-Fund Transfer:

A.9950.900	General Inter-fund Transfer	(\$2,860.75)
H61.5031	Chilson / Eagle Lake	\$2,860.75

Transfer funds from General to Eagle Lake Water Project.

All in Favor Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #461-2023 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Joyce Cooper authorizing the following Inter-Fund Loans:

A.0391	General Due From Other Funds	(\$24,165.60)
H18.0630	Airport Pavement Management Due To Other Funds	\$24,165.60

Transfer funds from General to Airport Pavement project until funding is received.

All in Favor Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #462-2023 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Dave Woods to accept the 2024 Ticonderoga Preliminary Budget as the 2024 Ticonderoga Adopted Budget. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #463-2023 brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Tom Thatcher to award the annual fuel bid to Avery Energy, Inc. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #464-2023 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Dave Woods to award the annual bid for Transfer Station construction and debris (C&D) roll off containers to Serkil, LLC. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #465-2023 brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Tom Cunningham authorizing the Supervisor to execute an engagement letter with Mastropietro Law Group, PLLC. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #466-2023 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher authorizing the Supervisor to execute an engagement letter with Whiteman, Osterman and Hanna. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #467-2023 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher authorizing the Supervisor to sign an agreement between the Town of Ticonderoga and Essex County for lease of space in the Armory garage for County Weights & Measures at the rate of \$1500 per year for the period of October 1, 2023, until September 30, 2026. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave

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Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

Resolution #468-2023 brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Joyce Cooper authorizing a letter of support to the Eagle Lake Property Owners (ELPOI) from the Town of Ticonderoga for the study of the milfoil in Eagle Lake. The Town understands that invasive species can have a significant impact on the environment and the local community, and Ticonderoga appreciates efforts to address this issue. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

Resolution #469-2023 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Joyce Cooper to adopt the changes in the Employee Handbook, revised October 23, 2023, to reflect changes in NYS harassment policy, sick leave donation policy, and prohibited conduct. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

Resolution #470-2023 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher to schedule a Public Hearing for the Chilson Volunteer Fire Department annual contract for 2024 on December 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

Resolution #471-2023 brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Dave Woods to schedule the End-of-the-Year Meeting on December 29, 2023, at 9:00 am. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

Resolution #472-2023 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Tom Cunningham to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2023, Regular Town Board Meeting; October 19, 2023, 2024 Budget Workshop #7; October 25, 2023, 2024 Budget Workshop #8, and October 26, 2023, Finance Meeting. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

Resolution #473-2023 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher authorizing a Pre-Pay of a Voucher for 2024 NYS Local Retirement System annual invoice in the amount of \$202,537.00. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

Resolution #474-2023 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Tom Cunningham to pay Abstract #11-2023. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed – none. Carried.**

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Board Meeting Date 11/09/2023				
Gross Payroll # 22	112,418.78			
Gross Payroll # 23	111,570.34			
Gross Payroll #				
Trust & Agency Total	\$223,989.12			
Pre-Pays:	\$0.00			

ABSTRACT # 11	11/9/2023	Cash Transfers	YTD Revenue	YTD Expenses
General (A)	208,893.16	208,893.16	4,800,803.62	3,551,263.54
CD20 LaChute Trail Connector	-	-		
CD21 LISC Zombie		-	-	-
CM Library Trust Special		-	940.26	-
Highway (DA)	85,091.09	85,091.09	1,758,502.14	1,167,424.12
H17 - Ticonderoga Airport Improvements		-	-	-
H18 - Airport Pavement Management	24,165.60	24,165.60	31,350.37	845,109.40
H19 - Airport Apron Reconstruction / Taxiway Rehab	-	-	58,486.93	850,548.37
H20 - Airport Environmental Assessment	-	-	42,492.47	64,006.96
H36 - C/P Chilson Res. Replacement	-	-	41,700.81	612.50
H45 - C/P Equipment Purchase		-	-	-
H48 - FEMA Chilson Water Main		-	0.14	-
H49 - GIGP Daylight Streaming	-	-	-	-
H50 - C/P WQIP WWTP Disinfection	-	-	10.16	455.00

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H51 - Res & Design French Sawmill	-	-	7.29	-
H53 - Clean Water Main Project	-	-	19.28	15,740.50
H54 - LaChute Signage Grant		-		-
H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know		-	1.79	-
H57 - Parking Lot Cannonball Path		-	0.46	-
H58 - WWTP HVAC Project		-	-	-
H59 - LCBP Storm Water Sewer Separation	-	-	29.30	-
H60 - Veterans RD Culvert/Bridge NY Project	-	-	120,184.19	30,499.83
H61 - Chilson/Eagle Lake Water Exploration	2,860.75	2,860.75	90,968.54	93,829.29
H62 - Lead Service Line Replacement Grant	-		291,113.57	70,903.62
H63 - Water Meter Project	-		-	-
H64 - WWTP Ventilation Project GIGP	-		-	840.00
H65 - 5052 WWTP Phosphorous removal EPG	-		20,312.81	35,312.81
H66 - NYS DEC EPG #104867	-		-	7,072.04
H67- Wet Weather Operating Plan	-	-	0.12	-
H68 - Black Point HVAC 5099	-	-	5,138.38	5,138.38
PN - Permanent Fund Mt. Hope Cemetery			758.41	-
SF01- Ticonderoga Town/Village Joint Fire District	-		557,108.00	557,108.00
SF02 - Chilson Fire Protection District	-		96,415.00	96,415.00
Claymore Sewer District (SS01)	31.60		6,094.30	1,644.51
Park Ave Sewer District (SS02)	17.05		51,636.67	49,266.64
Alex Ave Sewer District (SS03)	39.51		35,697.30	35,299.07
Homelands Sewer Dist (SS04)	1,161.36		19,515.45	24,082.45

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Central Sewer (SS05)	87,396.46	95,045.90	1,676,892.06	1,191,676.92
Commerce Park Sewer (SS06)	53.39		79,375.82	70,121.06
Delano Point Sewer (SS07)	530.14		25,775.75	19,986.66
Baldwin Road Sewer Dist (SS08)	546.99		45,407.28	45,233.52
Black Point Road Sewer (SS09)	5,165.74		273,784.01	289,289.41
Hague Road Sewer (SS10)	8.38		12,473.24	9,657.82
9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)	95.28		30,343.04	27,654.85
9N & 74 Water (SW01)	-		67,807.24	66,113.92
Street Road Water (SW02)	-		34,128.12	33,533.25
Alex Avenue I Water District (SW03)	-		27,918.49	26,880.00
Homelands Water District (SW04)	-		11,571.93	10,656.00
Alex Ave II Water District (SW05)	-		42,903.21	43,421.13
Central Water (SW06)	21,161.18	21,177.05	1,351,166.84	967,724.21
Park Ave Water Dist (SW07)	-		32,308.37	31,080.00
Shore Airport Water (SW09)	15.87		237,428.90	222,450.99
Multi Account Total	437,233.55	437,233.55	11,978,572.06	10,558,051.77
Total Expenditures This Abstract	\$661,222.67	TRUE		

Resolution #475-2023 brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Tom Thatcher to accept the Supervisor’s Monthly Report as submitted. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

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Supervisor's Report

11/9/2023

Account Title	GFNB	NYCLASS	GFNB ICS	Total
General	47,669.11	173,396.79	3,893,463.65	4,114,529.55
Airport	99,598.34			99,598.34
Highway	18,279.43	87,311.12	756,848.91	862,439.46
H17 - Airport				-
H36 - Master Drinking Water	100,089.04			100,089.04
Clean Water H49 H50 H53	160,863.49			160,863.49
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	1,100,151.83			
SS01 - Claymore				-
SS02 - Park Ave				-
SS03 - Alex Ave				-
SS04 - Homelands				-
SS05 & All Districts	595,587.13	711,638.53	1,042,220.58	2,349,446.24
SW06 - Central Water All Districts	583,608.75	524,891.33	67,934.93	1,176,435.01
C/R - Carillon Park		5,339.56		5,339.56
C/R - Liberty Monument		16,027.62		16,027.62

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C/R - Unemployment		31,558.00		31,558.00
C/R - Police Equipment		77,298.34		77,298.34
C/R - Senior Bus		31,321.95		31,321.95
C/R - Frazier Bridge		6,887.73		6,887.73
C/R - Forfeiture		1,804.38		1,804.38
C/R - Building Improvement		344,512.28		344,512.28
C/R - General Sidewalk Improvement		310,051.66		
C/R - Building & Grounds Equipment		14,633.42		
C/R - Airport Development		205,823.91		
C/R - Highway Equipment		351,623.10		351,623.10
C/R - DA Sidewalk Repair		51,340.11		
C/R - Sewer Equipment + Infrastructure		117,726.78		117,726.78
C/R - Sewer Repair		104,680.87		104,680.87
C/R - Water Equipment + Infrastructure		302,677.32		302,677.32
C/R - Water Repair		86,867.88		86,867.88
0				-
Library Trust		34,152.00		34,152.00
Mount Hope Cemetery		27,458.51		27,458.51
				10,656,433.20
Total	2,958,938.87	3,619,023.19	5,760,472.07	12,338,434.13

Councilwoman Cooper asked where we are with the charging station and where do we go from here?

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Mrs. Thompson stated that Ms. Beeman from Finance sent an email that she found paperwork on the charging station. Maybe a follow up with her would be appropriate to get this started.

Public Comment

Donna Wotton wanted to throw something in front of the board that she believes deserves your attention. There has been, over the last year or so, some escalation of serious drug activity in the Downtown area and she knows our Police Department is doing their due diligence; but she would like to see something done at the board level where we adopt a Town no tolerance policy and start to get a little more serious about enforcement. There is a lot of activity in and around Algonkin Street, she sees just sitting at her desk sometimes at the corner of Lake George and Montcalm some activity goes down there. We have had a escalation of the number of deaths from drug overdoses and she believes it is time at a board level that we have some initiatives that address this in open enforcement of any other agency that we could possibly use. It is going to be an issue that really affects the livability here and we are doing so much work to improve the Town in so many other ways, but drugs and drug crime ends up keeping us from improving, it is a shame.

Heath Towne understands that the budget was passed tonight which is absolutely great, but he would just like everybody know that the budget process is not an easy one. Twenty-five years of witnessing budgets for the Town and each one is always hard and he was able to show up to some of the workshops for the budget and he say five sets of ears pouring out ideas of where to cut without detrimentally harming the Town and you guys did the best that you could. He for one appreciates what you all did to get that to at least where it is. He appreciates everything that you tried to do, he knows that some stuff was cut out, some stuff was denied in order to get to that 650 figure. You are appreciated for what you are able to pull off.

Meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

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Pledge to the Flag

Opening Remarks

Presentations

Public Hearings

- Public Hearing # 1: Amending the commercial zoning.

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○ A.8810.463	Cemeteries Repair & Maintenance	\$70.04
○ A.1110.191	Justices Overtime	\$910.52
○ A.1650.453	Central Communications Internet	\$53.43
○ A.1660.411	Central Storeroom General Supplies	\$347.50
○ A.3120.412	Police & Constable Copier Supplies	\$228.79
○ A.3120.464	Police & Constable Motor Fuel	\$386.42
○ A.3120.477	Police & Constable Education & Training	\$800.00
○ A.6772.464	Programs for the Aging Motor Fuel	\$800.06

Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$18,083.94).

○ DA.1989.400	Contingency	(\$1,684.99)
○ DA.5130.465	Machinery Highway Lubricants	\$259.37
○ DA.5130.467	Machinery Highway Small Equipment & Tools	\$910.46
○ DA.5142.463	Snow Removal Highway Vehicle/Equip Repair & Maint.	\$515.16

Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$4,293.53).

○ SS05.1989.400	Contingency	(\$946.05)
○ SS01.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$31.60
○ SS04.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$54.69
○ SS06.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$53.39
○ SS07.8130.405	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$454.17
○ SS07.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$75.97
○ SS08.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$92.83
○ SS09.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$79.74
○ SS10.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$8.38
○ SS11.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$95.28
○ SS05.8110.477	Sewer Education & Training	\$175.00
○ SS05.8110.491	Sewer Town Attorney	\$665.00

Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$4,728.78).

○ SW06.1989.400	Contingency	(\$1,134.27)
○ SW06.8310.411	Water Office Supplies	\$162.00

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- SW06.8310.451 Water Administration Telephone \$49.78
- SW06.8310.491 Water Admin. Contractual Legal Services \$315.00
- SW06.8320.479 Water Filtration Plant \$607.49

Funding increased costs from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$12,041.20).

- A.2389 Other Government (\$50,000.00)
- A.6989.405 Economic Development TIME Program \$50,000.00

Transfer ROOST monies received to the expense line for TIME Program disbursement.

- A.1440.493 General Engineer (\$766.97)
- A.1420.491 General Attorney 766.97
- A.7310.470 Youth Ski Programs (\$868.07)
- A.7140.400 Playgrounds & Rec. Contractual \$310.00
- A.7140.472 Playgrounds & Rec. Meals \$558.07

Transfer funds to cover increased and additional costs.

- SS05.0450.020 Capital Reserve – Sewer Infrastructure (\$1,673.66)
- SS05.8120.220 Sanitary Sewers Equipment \$1,673.66

Transfer funds from Capital Reserve to purchase additional equipment for skid-steer.

RESOLUTION authorizing the following budget adjustments:

- A.5132.464 Garage Dyes Diesel & Gasoline \$12,774.72
- A.5182.499 Street Lighting \$6,906.06
- A.1620.421 Buildings Electric \$1,199.25
- A.1620.461 Buildings General Cleaning Supplies \$1,963.02
- A.1310.861 Finance General Employee Benefits \$2,185.79

Funding accounts by General Fund Balance for increased & additional costs.

- DA.5110.464 Highway Motor Fuel \$4,219.07
- DA.5142.466 Highway Road Materials \$1,720.58

Funding account by Highway Fund Balances to cover increased costs.

- SS04.8130.405 Sewage Treatment & Disposal Contractual \$1,106.67
- SS05.8130.421 Sewage Treatment & Disposal Sewer Electric \$3,264.64

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- SS05.8130.499 Sewage Treatment & Disposal Lab Medical Testing \$3,192.00
- SS05.8130.195 Sewage Treatment & Disposal Pager Pay \$580.00

Funding account by Sewer Fund Balances to cover increased costs.

- SW06.8320.421 Source of Supply Power & Pumping Water Electric \$3,597.21
- SW06.8320.465 Source of Supply Power & Pump Chem & Additives \$7,887.62
- SW06.8340.195 Transmission & Dist. Water Pager Pay \$1,120.00

Funding account by Water Fund Balances to cover increased costs.

RESOLUTION authorizing the following Inter-Fund Transfer:

- A.9950.900 General Inter-fund Transfer (\$2,860.75)
- H61.5031 Chilson / Eagle Lake \$2,860.75

Transfer funds from General to Eagle Lake Water Project.

RESOLUTION authorizing the following Inter-Fund Loans:

- A.0391 General Due From Other Funds (\$24,165.60)
- H18.0630 Airport Pavement Management Due To Other Funds \$24,165.60

Transfer funds from General to Airport Pavement project until funding is received.

RESOLUTION to accept the 2024 Ticonderoga Preliminary Budget as the 2024 Ticonderoga Adopted Budget.

RESOLUTION to award the annual fuel bid to Avery Energy, Inc.

RESOLUTION to award the annual bid for Transfer Station construction and debris (C&D) roll off containers to Serkil, LLC.

RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to execute an engagement letter with Mastropietro Law Group, PLLC.

RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to execute an engagement letter with Whiteman, Osterman and Hanna.

RESOLUTION authorizing the Supervisor to sign an agreement between the Town of Ticonderoga and Essex County for lease of space in the Armory garage for County Weights & Measures at the rate of \$1500 per year for the period of October 1, 2023, until September 30, 2026.

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RESOLUTION authorizing a letter of support to the Eagle Lake Property Owners (ELPOI) from the Town of Ticonderoga for the study of the milfoil in Eagle Lake. The Town understands that invasive species can have a significant impact on the environment and the local community, and Ticonderoga appreciates efforts to address this issue.

RESOLUTION to adopt the changes in the Employee Handbook, revised October 23, 2023, to reflect changes in NYS harassment policy, sick leave donation policy, and prohibited conduct.

RESOLUTION to schedule a Public Hearing for the Chilson Volunteer Fire Department annual contract for 2024 on December 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION to schedule the End-of-the-Year Meeting on December 29, 2023, at 9:00 am.

RESOLUTION to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2023, Regular Town Board Meeting; October 19, 2023, 2024 Budget Workshop #7; October 25, 2023, 2024 Budget Workshop #8, and October 26, 2023, Finance Meeting.

RESOLUTION to Pay the Abstract.

RESOLUTION to accept the Supervisor's Report as submitted.

Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Attorney, Matt Fuller

Public Comment

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting