

Minutes for the Town of Ticonderoga's Regular Town Board Meeting held on December 10, 2015 commencing at 6:00 p.m. with Public Hearings for the 2016 Chilson Vol. Fire Dept. and 2016 Ticonderoga Emergency Squad's Annual Contract and also Litter Law Violations for 128 Burgoyne Road and 43 Myers Street

Present: R. William Grinnell, Supervisor
Wayne Taylor, Councilman
Fred Hunsdon, Councilman
Chattie Van Wert, Councilwoman
Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Absent: David Iuliano, Councilman

Others: Dick Holroyd, Jody Belden, Ann Dolback, Chief Mark Johns, Patty Cook, Code Enforcement Officers Danielle Drinkwine-Holman and Bill Ball, Nancy Archer, Holly and Dick Dixon, Richard Stonitsch, Dr. Steve Tyrell and Supervisor Elect Joe Giordano

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

Presentations

Dr. Steve Tyrell came to the meeting to brief the board on the current status and direction of North Country Community College.

- Community College enrollment in New York State has dropped dramatically
- Looking at non-traditional aides
- What do people need for job training, 25 years of age and older
- Most colleges deliver liberal both arts and science degrees and technical degrees
- Offer Certificate program or Associates Degrees
- College bound students today is different than 10 years ago
- Associates Degree - not necessarily earn you more money than no degree
- Greater concern, what employment is there with a degree
- Student debt is huge concern
- Predominately a transfer institution, finish here and go on to other institutions
- Looking at degrees that we do not offer and should
- Lowes project is a feasibility study, NCCC, Hudson Valley, Adirondack, Clinton
- Bring more studies that are viable in the Adirondack Park Region
- Should have some more information by late spring semester
- Shifting our curriculum from traditions to new technologies
- Private investor to purchase Lowes and Colleges will lease from the investor (if site is purchased prior - other sites are available to pursue)
- IT programs, Micro businesses, training and certificate courses (electrical)
- Trying to attract international students
- More information will be forthcoming - things are going to shortly.

Supervisor Grinnell thanked Dr. Tyrell for updating the board on the progress.

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Public Hearings**

Public Hearing - 2016 Chilson Volunteer Fire Company - Annual Contract

A Public Hearing will be held at the Community Building, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, NY on the 10th day of December at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the proposed contract between the Town and the Chilson Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. and Opportunity to be heard in regard thereto will then and there be given to the public.

Supervisor Grinnell explained that the Department was given a 2% increase on their budget. This is keeping with most of the Departments increases.

No Public Participation

Public Hearing closed at 6:20 p.m.

Public Hearing - 2016 Ticonderoga Emergency Medical Services, Inc - Annual Contract

A Public Hearing will be held at the Community Building, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, NY on the 10th day of December at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the proposed contract between the Town and the Ticonderoga Emergency Medical Services, Inc. and Opportunity to be heard in regard thereto will then and there be given to the public.

Supervisor Grinnell explained that the Department has a Town Budget Item of \$20,000.00, no change from last year.

No Public Participation.

Public Hearing closed at 6:25 p.m.

Public Hearing - 128 Burgoyne Road (Russell) - Violation of LL #5 - Regulating Litter

A Public Hearing will be held at the Community Building, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, NY on the 10th day of December at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to Local Law 5 of 2003 Regulating Litter, and by the Town Board acting as the Local Board of Health concerning property located at 128 Burgoyne Road, Ticonderoga, NY regarding the accumulation of garbage, attraction of vermin and infestation at said property as possible public nuisance all warranting possible action under the Public Health Law and for the order and clean-up of said property pursuant to Section 7 of Local Law 5 of the year 2003, or such other action as may be permitted law. Persons wishing to be heard on this matter must appear at said hearing.

Nance Archer questioned what happens if it goes onto their taxes and they refuse to pay that.

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Supervisor Grinnell explained that they will lose the property and it will go up for auction. Depending on what the property sells for, if there is enough in the sale of the property to cover the unpaid taxes and the cost to the Town, then we will be reimbursed. If there is not enough, then the Town will be out the money; however, they will be out the eye sore and we have someone that will pay the tax bill.

Public Hearing closed at 6:29 p.m.

Resolution #411-2015 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor directing the Codes Department to notify the property owner responsible for 128 Burgoyne Road that that they hereby have five (5) days from the date of this notice to clear the above referenced property of all litter and debris. In the event such litter and debris are not cleared from the above property within five (5) days from the date of this notice, the Town will have the litter and debris removed and bill the cost thereof to you. In the further event that you fail to pay such bill, it will thereafter be assessed to your tax bill in accordance with Town of Ticonderoga Local Law 5 of 2003. The Codes Department is to work with the Highway Department and the Beautification Department to clear any debris on the property that has not been cleared by the deadline on this notice. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Public Hearing - 43 Myers Street (Brown) - Violation of LL #5 - Regulating Litter

A Public Hearing will be held at the Community Building, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, NY on the 10th day of December at 6:00 p.m. pursuant to Local Law 5 of 2003 Regulating Litter, and by the Town Board acting as the Local Board of Health concerning property located at 43 Myers Street, Ticonderoga, NY regarding the accumulation of garbage, attraction of vermin and infestation at said property as possible public nuisance all warranting possible action under the Public Health Law and for the order and clean-up of said property pursuant to Section 7 of Local Law 5 of the year 2003, or such other action as may be permitted law. Persons wishing to be heard on this matter must appear at said hearing.

Supervisor Grinnell explained that a good deal of the debris in this notice is now on Town Property - the former CP Rail property that we have purchases.

Councilwoman Van Wert inquired if these properties are abandoned. (Answer - No)

No further Discussion.

Public Hearing closed at 6:35 p.m.

Resolution #412-2015 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor directing the Codes Department to notify the property owner responsible for 43 Myers Street that they hereby have five (5) days from the date of this notice to clear the above referenced

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Councilwoman Van Wert would like to share contact information of salvage yards to these property owners.

Resolutions for the Board to Consider

Resolution #413-2015 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Chattie Van Wert to accept the Minutes from the Regular Town Board Meeting on November 12, 2015, the Minutes from the Monthly Financial Meeting on November 24, 2015 and the Minutes from a Special Town Board Meeting on December 3, 2015. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Resolution #414-2015 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Chattie Van Wert to Pay the Bills in Abstract #12 of 2015. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Abstract #12-2015

<u>Account</u>	<u>Debit</u>
General	\$262,552.45
Highway	95,313.55
C/P Ticonderoga Airport	1,821.56
C/P Chilson Reservoir Replacement	7,522.62
C/P Chilson water Main - FEMA	19,193.46
GIGP Daylight Streaming Grant	3,226.22
C/P WQIP WWTP Disinfection	5,109.52
The Portage Stormwater Bumpout Program	2,616.42
Clean Water Main Project	874.26
Claymore Sewer	43.50
Park Avenue Sewer	64.06
Alex Avenue Sewer	7.42
Homelands Sewer	71.94
Central Sewer	74,136.32

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Commerce Park Sewer	1,106.45
Delano Point Sewer	177.80
Baldwin Road Sewer	212.79
Black Point Rd Sewer	130.50
Hague Road Sewer	12.03
9N & 74 Sewer	221.25
Route 9N & Rt 73 Water	10.93
Street Road Water	10.93
Central Water	66,109.01
Shore Airport Rd Water	21.03

Totals	\$540,566.02
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Resolution #415-2015 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Chattie Van Wert authorizing the following Training and pre-payment vouchers for Registration, and meals. Via the Federal Per Diem rates; Amy Quesnel, Training School, Albany, January 13 to January 15, 2016. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Resolution #416-2015 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Wayne Taylor appointing the following persons to serve on the TRA Board of Directors for a three (3) year term; Donna Wotton, Vincent Smith and Sandy Morhouse, Vice Chair - all reappointments and Pam Nolan, new appointment, Ticonderoga Federal Credit Union. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Resolution #417-2015 brought by R. William Grinnell, seconded by Wayne Taylor to table the reclassifying of Dale Quesnel from the position of Police Officer to Police Sergeant for discussion to be held in Executive Session tonight. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Resolution #418-2015 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Chattie Van Wert approving AES to complete a Feasibility Study to move the control panel to the Grinder Pump Station on Baldwin Road. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Report of Committees

Public Works - R. William Grinnell, Supervisor

Supervisor Grinnell started by telling everyone that we have had a tragedy in our Public Works Committee. We have lost our clerk to a very serious stroke, he believes that she

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has been moved just today to rehab and she has a long road ahead of her and we wish her nothing but the best and we miss her desperately and hopefully at this time next year we will see a big change in how she is doing.

**Town of Ticonderoga
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting
November 24, 2015 – 8:30 am**

Present: Bill Grinnell, Wayne Taylor, Greg Swart – AES, Derrick Fleury, Tracy Smith and Sue Huestis

Absent: Matt Fuller

Others: Dick Holroyd, Rin Fraize, Fred Hunsdon, Sr., Tom Morhouse, Jill Cunningham, John Bartlett, Chattie Van Wert, Joe Giordano

Pledge

The Supervisor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Comment

Tom Morhouse

Tom and Jill Cunningham attended the meeting to question the \$25,000 expense to the Black Pt. Sewer District towards the purchase of a new truck.

Details explaining this expense are as follows:

1. If not for the Black Pt. Sewer District this truck would not be needed.
 - a. The cost of the truck is \$41,200.93
 - i. Sewer District #5 will contribute \$16,200.93
2. The original truck was purchased with grant monies.
3. Other equipment that was needed to maintain this district was also purchased with the grant funds to include a flushing pump, portable mini-vac, extra grinder pumps and cores.....
4. All maintenance and insurance for this truck is paid by Sewer District #5
5. The expense of this truck was included in the 2015 Budget .
6. The 2016 Budget reflects a line item for equipment for the Black Pt. Sewer District. These funds will be accounted for separately and be used as equipment is needed in this district.

Items for Discussion

1. GIGP Daylight Streaming Project
 - a. There is one section on the Community Building lawn that does not have a clear title.
 - i. The town is working with its attorney, AES and International Paper to get clear title to this property by a Quit Claim Deed.

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- ii. A construction easement may be needed for an adjoining property near this lot
 - b. AES is completing probe tests for ledge for The Portage from Cannonball Path to Alexandria Avenue
 - c. This project to date has a \$500,000 grant in place.
 - d. The project is due to be bid in the Spring 2016.
 2. WQIP/Clean Water Main
 - a. AES is putting together an application for a 1.5 Million dollar grant on behalf of the Town.
 - b. This project to date has a 2.5 Million DEC grant in place.
 3. FEMA/Chilson Water Transmission Main Project
 - a. The contractors are making great progress and will begin directional drilling today which is the largest piece of the project.
 - b. Restoration will not take place until Spring 2016.
 4. Water Supply Project
 - a. Representatives from the Town, DOH, EPA, AES, and Essex County Planning and IDA met last Thursday.
 - b. During this meeting the OCR project for Street Road was discussed.
 - i. Due to these grant funds being allocated to benefit the Street Road residents only this project will be isolated from the Water Supply Project.
 - c. The water main from the PRV that runs along Rte 74 and down Rte 9N is significantly stressed due to Hurricane Irene.
 - i. This too is being addressed separately and an HMGP grant has been sought to finance this portion of the Water Supply Project.
 5. Bulger – Baldwin Road
 - a. The control panel to the Baldwin Road Pump Station is on Mr. Bulger's property and he has requested that it be moved to a different location on the other side of the pump station.
 - b. Discussions have been held on how to finance this relocation and it has been decided that bonding the expense would be the best option.
 - c. The Wastewater staff can complete this relocation in house to limit the cost.
 - i. The Water/Sewer Committee recommends that the Town Board approve AES to complete a Feasibility Study to relocate the Baldwin Road Pump Station Control Panel.**
 - d. Once the Feasibility Study is complete a Public Hearing will be held to inform the residents in this district of this expense and to approve the financing.
 6. **Mary Lamb**
 - a. Mary Lamb has sent a letter to the Supervisor and this matter will be discussed in Executive Session at the next Town Board meeting.**
 7. **EDU Audit**
 - a. The Water/Sewer Committee recommends that the Town Board schedule a Public Hearing on the EDU Audit.**

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- i. Two parcels require the Town Board to assess an EDU charge that they feel is equal to other parcels.**
 - 1. Anthony Mazzotte – 174 Lake George Avenue**
 - a. 7 Apartments and 4 Businesses.**
 - i. Current EDU charge is 7.5**
 - 2. Former Wicker Ford Building – 1080 Wicker Street**
 - a. At least 4 Businesses**
 - i. Current EDU charge is 1.5**
- 8. Matt Connery – Fr. Joques Place**
 - a. Matt has forwarded an email concerning issues related to flooding on his property.**
 - b. This matter will be discussed in Executive Session at the next Town Board meeting.**
- 9. George Cox**
 - a. The town has received notice from NYMIR that they have denied Mr. Cox's claim for damages to his home that occurred due to a water main break that occurred during the middle of the night but was not discovered until early morning hours.
 - i. Mr. Cox's furnace and foundation wall were damaged.**
 - ii. Damages to the driveway and the neighbors were cleaned up by the Water Department.**
 - b. Mr. Grinnell will call the town's insurance company to dispute this denial of liability.

Water/Wastewater Supervisor's Report

- 1. Storm Water Tank Flushing Valves**
 - a. There are 16 of these valves and they have been problematic since the WWTP opened 40 years ago. They currently do not work.
 - i. The valves are obsolete but an alternate valve can be purchased at a cost of \$3,980 each and would require plumbing modifications.**
 - b. Tracy suggests that this automated system be changed to a manually operated gate valve.
 - i. Parts can be purchased by the town and a contractor can be hired to complete the installation.**
 - c. The storm water tanks have to be washed 6 or 7 times a year and what is in place makes this task very difficult.
 - i. The committee approved Tracy to work with AES to move forward on resolving this issue.**
- 2. DEC Maintenance Program**
 - a. Tracy received a call from the DEC and they are recommending that the town apply to be a part of this PILOT program.
 - i. Only 20 communities in New York State will be chosen as a part of this PILOT**

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- b. Eventually an Asset Management Program will be a requirement of the state and if the town is selected as part of the PILOT Program it will be in the town's best interests.
 - c. The PILOT Program is free and will last 3 years. At the end of the program the town will have a complete Sewage Asset Management Plan and the tools to implement the plan.
 - d. The committee approved Tracy to complete the application and if he is unable to complete it to request the assistance of AES.
3. Wet Testing
- a. As a part of the new SPEDES Permit the town is obligated to complete toxicity testing quarterly in 2016.
 - b. The cost is estimated at \$1,000.

Deputy Water/Wastewater Supervisor's Report

1. Street Road Water District
 - a. A water leak occurred on Street Road yesterday.
2. Chilson Water Reservoir
 - a. The reservoir has leaked for many years but due to the excavation around the reservoir for the Chilson Water Main project, the loss of water has become significant.
 - b. Expediting the bid for new water storage tanks has become a necessity.
 - c. The Supervisor has contacted Matt Fuller to make him aware of this situation and that bonding needs to take place very soon.

Adjourn

The Water/Sewer committee adjourned at 9:35.

Building, Grounds, Parks, Recreation, Historical Lands, Monuments, Beach and Cemeteries - David Iuliano, Councilman (reported by Chattie Van Wert, Councilwoman)

Town of Ticonderoga
Buildings & Grounds/Parks & Rec. Committee
Meeting 11/17/15
Community Building Meeting Room

The meeting started at 10AM with the following Committee Members in Attendance: Tonya Thompson, Sharon Reynolds, Dave Iuliano, John Bartlett, Chattie Van Wert.
Non-Committee Members: Fred Hunsdon, Mike Parent, Sal Barnao and Joe Giordano.
Sharon:

- On the CDBG Grant for ADA modifications to the Armory and Community Building: The environmental process was completed by Anna Reynolds of Essex County Planning. We should be authorized to spend money on the project in about two weeks and anticipate a 2016 completion.
- On the grant to expand the LaChute River trail to connect with the trestle bridge: The project is moving ahead with the RFP for land surveying being finalized, anticipating a

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surveyor and engineer to be identified in winter, work to start in spring and a 2016 completion.

- Regarding Alfandre Architecture's recommendations for the Community Building: RFP for the recommendations near completion, anticipating AES will respond to manage/oversee the project. Sharon will also pursue the \$100K grant application with Sharon Henderson in Betty Little's office for use on this building.

John Bartlett: Marge Hurlburt (Youth Coordinator) would like to paint the After-School Program's space in the basement of the Armory. The Town will buy the paint and volunteers will paint it. Marge is also working with the Seniors on their space adjacent to the kid's space.

Tonya Thompson:

- No one has responded to the advertisement to maintain the skating rink this winter, paying \$700 for the season. Tonya will ask if the Ticonderoga Fire Dept. would be willing to do it. If not, the Committee recommends to the Town Board that the Town hire the Beautification Crew to maintain the rink as well as put up the Christmas decorations each year.
- There are still some lights in the park that are not working.
- Library: Tonya will follow-up to see that Northern Mechanical fixed the zone control problem with the HVAC system. Another sink hole has developed on the side of Carnegie Place not far from the one in the old Rite Aid parking lot. Mike will talk with the Fort about the Rite Aid lot. Tonya will also ask the Codes Officer to make the owners of Rite Aid aware of the worsening sink hole in their parking lot.

Dave Iuliano: Will contact National Grid about installing a street light in the public parking area behind the Pocket Park.

Mike Parent:

- Highway Dept. put down new millings near the little walking bridge along the LaChute River Trail but cars have already torn them up. Ti PD will be requested to install a portable camera in that area to identify the offender(s).
- Highway Dept. will put up holiday wreaths and banners later in the week.

There was some discussion regarding moving the meeting room upstairs to the auditorium.

The next meeting will be 12/15/15 at 10AM. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

The Committee will work on a list of job duties for the Beautification Crew.

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**Black Watch Memorial Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Oct. 22, 2015**

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 am

Members Present: John McDonald, Steve Boyce, Cheryl O'Connor, Susan Peters
Linda Cunningham

Others Present: Heather Johns, Director
Chattie VanWert, Town Board

Review of the Minutes: Steve Boyce moved that the minutes be accepted;
Cheryl O'Connor seconded; all were in favor.

Report of Director:

- There will be a Halloween party for children on Friday, Oct. 23rd, at 3:30 with games, stories, snacks and crafts. The Library will participate in the Town's Trick-or-Treating on Friday Oct. 30th. The Friends of the Library will supply the candy.
- The Library will be closed on Election day, Nov. 3rd, and on Veteran's day, Nov. 11th.
- The new shelving work is going well. There is a question about what should be done with the wood from the old shelves. Heather will ask Tonya if it needs to be listed for surplus or if it can be given to patrons.
- Heather has asked Amy and Karla about the \$2500 from Betty Little but has not heard back. She would like to purchase a copier in 2016 with this money. She was told that the CEF money goes into account A-2760 but does not know what this account is and if it just holds money for the library. She will try to get more information about this account and what happens to the library money.
- We have received a renewal for the Junior Library Guild. This provides 12 children's books a month. The Friends of the Library will cover this renewal.
- The display case has been repaired, but we have not received an invoice.
- The CEF Library Board needs more Trustees. This involves going to Plattsburgh once a month. Susan Peters is tentatively interested.

Report of the Town:

- Evan Glading is coming to repair the fireplace hearth.
- A depressed area is developing on Carnegie Street, which the Town may want to look into before it develops into a sinkhole.
- When the furnace was serviced this summer, it was turned off. It is on now but not circulating.
- The door on the circulation desk has not been fixed

Report of the Friends: none

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:18 am.

**Ticonderoga Cemetery Board
Hancock House
October 15, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by William Dolback at 4:45 PM.

In attendance were William Dolback, Dick Connors, Sandra Trepanier and Lois Gunning.

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Minutes of the April 23, 2015 were read and Bill made a motion, seconded by Lois to approve the minutes as read.

Motion Carried

Financial report: Bill was informed that the town's accounting software isn't working, so there was no report for today's meeting. In lieu of, Bill was provided a summary report in the form of a Revenue/Expense Control report dated Sept. 15th, that was provided to him to assist in preparation for FY16 budget proposals. The amounts reflected in this report were not up to date; however, they were used as a guideline for the cemetery and beautification budget proposals as requested.

He was scheduled to give a presentation and to answer questions from the town board next week at their budget review hearings for both budgets.

The second phase of establishing a data base recording system for the town's cemeteries has just begun. In this phase Mount Hope cemetery will have additional surveying done which will be incorporated into the development of cemetery wide burial mapping plan. To begin this initial mapping plan additional surveying is required for the LaPointe lots and the adjoin section at the "Old Fort Grounds" section.

Bill made a motion, seconded by Sandra to proceed with the computerized mapping of Mt. Hope.

Motion Carried

Motion made by Lois, seconded by Dick that the unencumbered funds for 2015 be used for cemetery paving at Mt. Hope to maximize use of the funds.

Motion Carried

Motion made by Lois, seconded by Dick that the unencumbered funds for 2015 be used for cemetery paving at Mt. Hope to maximize use of the funds.

Motion Carried

Cemetery entrance signage has been completed for all cemeteries except for the Vineyard Cemetery

(Mission). The FY16 budget proposal includes funds to have a new sign made and erected for this cemetery.

It was voted to add to the Town Cemetery Board's Rules & Regulations, under E: "To Be observed by Visitors"~ #3 No Dogs Allowed."

After the Ticonderoga Historical Society's WW II 70th anniversary for commemoration of the ending of the war much interest has been shown concerning the military history of the of the Town of Ticonderoga outside the fort grounds. The Society will be establishing a Military Heritage Advisory Committee. Bill would like to have this committee in its assessment, review the lands at Mount Hope Cemetery to assist them in further

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identification of its military heritage and suggest ways to preserve and promote this site as a historical town landmark.

Motion made by Lois Gunning, seconded by Dick Connors, that Bill will investigate if placing Mount Hope Cemetery, if qualifies, on the National Register has any merit. He handed out a new brochure for Mt. Hope Cemetery citing its military history and veteran's burials that was designed to promote the site.

Motion made by Lois, seconded by Dick to reelect Sandra Trepanier for another term.

Motion Carried

Lois made motion, seconded by Dick to adjourn at 6:45PM. Next meeting will be Nov. 19th.

Our meetings are 3rd Thursday, March, June, Sept. & November.

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Airport - David Iuliano, Councilman (reported by Fred Hunsdon, Councilman)

TICONDEROGA AIRPORT 4B6

1 December 2015

The meeting started at 0900 in the Town Hall. Karla Vigliotti, Jon Hanna, Fred Hunsdon and Dave Iuliano were in attendance.

A question on if we are responsible for planes tied down over night at the airport, Karla will check with our insurance provided.

The dirt behind the hanger has not been molested since our last meet, Dave with check to see when it will be moved back.

Jon will set up a table in hanger two for airport use. It will be placed on the North wall just inside the door.

Dave and Karla will set up a meeting, with all involved parties, on the runway taxiway extension.

Dave and Jon will look into setting up the phone lines into the hanger and a camera system next week.

The fuel installation is now complete and is now on schedule for a 1 March delivery of 4000 gallons of fuel, which will allow us to start selling fuel by the middle of April 2016.

Next meeting will be 0900 Tuesday, 2 February, at the town hall.

Submitted by Jon Hanna

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Town of Ticonderoga
Highway Committee Meeting
November 19, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Committee Members in Attendance: Councilman David Iuliano, Highway Superintendent Mike Parent, Deputy Superintendent Mitch Cole, Committee Member John Deming, Confidential Secretary Karla Vigliotti

Others: Councilwoman Chattie Van Wert, Councilman Fred Hunsdon Sr., Councilman Wayne Taylor, Union Representative Fred Hunsdon, Superintendent of Highways Elect Sal Barnao, Supervisor Elect Joe Giordano, Town Attorney Matt Fuller

Public Wishing to speak:

- Town Councilman Fred Hunsdon inquired about damage done to the bob cat. Councilman Dave Iuliano would like to wait to discuss this once Mike Parent is present.

Report of Current Expenses:

- The available balance of repair budget as of November 18, 2015 was \$931.31. The Improvements Budget has an available balance of \$61,549.05. The Snow Removal Contractual Account has an available balance of \$133,757.39. The General Improvements over time Budget is over by \$2,035.81. The Snow Removal over time is over budget by \$360.12.
- Budget Adjustments will be given to the town board for approval.

Superintendent's Report:

- The employee that damaged the bob cat has been verbally reprimanded. A written notice will be put in the employees file.
- One worker is at the transfer station on Wednesday's and Thursday's from November to April. Mike feels that this is not safe. Much discussion was held.
- The logging company has been contacted in regards to logging on Warner Hill Road. Mike needs to post the weight limit signs on Warner Hill Road. John Deming will see if the Peasley Road is the towns. Bonding or a letter of credit can be requested. Mike will get the name and address of the company and forward it to Matt Fuller.
- The new truck will be taken to Arrowhead for completion next week.

John Deming:

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- Currently working on Burgoyne Road property. His surveyor noticed that there is a culvert that has been blocked.
- Easements for Sagamore Drive have been sent to the property owners.
- A corrected deed is needed for the Dave & Shirley Woods on Lonergan Lane.

New Business:

- Supervisor Grinnell has submitted the paper work to Essex County to reclassify two vacant positions of Motor Equipment Operators to Heavy Equipment. Much discussion was held. The committee's recommendation is to advise against the creation of Heavy Equipment Operator at this time.
- Discussion was held on putting a backup camera on the sweeper.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

- Thursday December 17, 2015 8:30 A.M.

Adjourn

- The Highway committee adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

Resolution #419-2015 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Fred Hunsdon scheduling a Public Hearing on January 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Offices of the Town of Ticonderoga, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, New York, to discuss the proposed Ordinance Modifying an Order Prohibiting Overnight Parking Adopted July 14, 2005.

All in Favor R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
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ORDINANCE PROHIBITING OVERNIGHT PARKING

Section 1. Legislative Intent and Authority.

The Town Board (the "Board") of the Town of Ticonderoga (the "Town") has the authority, pursuant to Vehicle and Traffic Law section 1660, to enact an Ordinance restricting parking of vehicles on public highways, streets, sidewalks and roads within the Town.

Board has determined that it is necessary to prohibit parking of vehicles on any public highway, street, sidewalk or road within the Town from 1:00 a.m. until 6:00 a.m., during the entire calendar year from January 1 through December 31, in order to enable the Town to clear public highways, streets, sidewalks and roads within the Town, and to

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Section 2. Parking Prohibition.

No owner or operator shall allow a vehicle to be parked on any public highway, street, sidewalk, or road within the Town of Ticonderoga, from 1:00 a.m. until 6:00 a.m., during the entire calendar year from January 1 through December 31.

Section 3. Penalties.

A violation of this Ordinance shall be deemed a traffic infraction as defined in New York Vehicle and Traffic Law section 155. Convictions for a first offense shall be punishable by a fine of fifty dollars (\$50). Convictions for a second offense, both or all of which were committed within a period of 18 months, shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100). Convictions for a third offense and for each subsequent offense, all of which were committed within a period of 18 months, shall be punished by a fine of two hundred dollars (\$200). In addition, for any violation of this Ordinance, the Town may arrange for the removal and storage of the offending vehicle, and require reimbursement to the Town for the costs incurred by the Town for same, before returning said vehicle to the owner or operator thereof.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after publication and posting, or immediately upon personal service as provided by Section 133 of the Town Law.

Public Safety - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

Public Safety Meeting
11/30/2015

Committee Members present: Commissioner Margaret Laumen, Don Paige, Councilman Fred Hunsdon, Councilman Wayne Taylor, Chief Mark Johns, Bill Ball, Dave Woods, Ross Kelley and Kortney Bessett

Guest: Supervisor Grinnell, Sergeant Hurlburt, Danielle Drinkwine and Joe Giordano
Councilman Wayne Taylor welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 5:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pictures were passed around the room that were taken of an abandon property on Lord Howe Street, Ross Kelley drove by and insulation was blowing across the roadway. Ross Kelley and Dave Woods went to Bill Ball to complain about this property. Since this meeting occurred progress has been made with this property and the majority of it has been removed.

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Supervisor Grinnell came to this meeting to discuss with the committee that since the meeting on October 26, 2015 Mr. Ball and Supervisor Grinnell have met with one another over problem properties. A misunderstanding of how these matters were handled had occurred between the two parties. Since then they have been discussed and resolutions have been made. In the last few weeks the number of notifications and order to remedy's have increased and progress is being made. They have made the decision to start with properties that will cost the least for the town to clean up. The Town Board has two properties that they will be holding public hearings for in the next few weeks. In recent years local laws have changed so that the Town Board has more power to take action against these properties.

Ticonderoga Police Department Report (see attached)

Ross Kelley and the rest of the committee would like to see more public information given out about what the K9 has been doing. The committee would also like to see more press releases on stats for the Police Department.

A discussion was held about the K9 in the Ticonderoga Schools

A discussion was held about "Thank You's" for the recent grants received

Chief Johns showed a breakdown for the 2015 budget and the estimate of the remaining expenses. He is requesting that any surplus be put into the capital reserve account for equipment for 2016. Commissioner Laumen made a motion that a recommendation be made to the Town Board that the surplus be put into the Police Capital Reserve Account. Ross Kelley seconded that motion, no discussion, no opposition. Motion carried.

Chief Johns would like to start the discussion about the 2nd Sergeant position with the 3 commissioners. There are two options a provisional or permanent position. There is a candidate that is currently on the list that has passed his test, this person is Patrolman Quesnel. The provisional option would be to promote someone that is not on the list, but the promotion would not be finalized until the test results come back.

There was a discussion on the provisional vs. permanent position for the 2nd Sergeant. Councilman Taylor has opted to abstain from voting on this matter due to a conflict of interest. Councilman Hunsdon made a motion to recommend to the Town Board that we promote the 2nd Sergeant based on the permanent position. Dave Woods seconded that motion, no discussion, no opposition. Motion carried.

Chief Johns requested that the bills be paid for the month of November, Councilman Hunsdon made a motion to pay the bills, Ross Kelley seconded that motion, no discussion, no opposition. Motion carried.

Codes Enforcement Report

A lengthy discussion was held on problem properties, processes to clean these properties up and how long these matter should take.

Mr. Ball brought a problem to the committee concerning parking for a resident on Amherst Ave. Chief Johns will take responsibility for handling this complaint because it is a Police matter rather than a Codes Enforcement matter.

A discussion was held about on-street and off-street parking especially during the winter months when the highway crew needs to be plowing the streets. Supervisor Grinnell sees this as a problem all year round because of the street sweepers that need to do their job

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when there is no snow. There were ideas discussed about how to handle the parking problems some of which were warning tickets issued and more signs displayed.

Other Business

Councilman Taylor spoke with an individual who is requesting a plan of action for snowmobiles riding on the sidewalks on Lake George Ave this winter. There was a discussion about what has happened in the past and what could be done for the future. Councilman Taylor recommended that the Public Safety Meeting be canceled for December 28, 2015 due to conflicts for the holidays. Councilman Hunsdon made a motion that the December meeting be cancelled. Commissioner Lauman seconded that motion, no discussion, no opposition. Motion carried.

The next Public Safety Meeting will be held on January 25, 2016

Councilman Taylor adjourned the meeting at 6:05

Minutes prepared by Kortney Bessett – Ticonderoga Police Department

Councilwoman Van Wert asked if Councilman Taylor would be working on the snowmobile issues. She would like to reach out to other towns to see how they work through this issue.

Councilman Taylor is hoping that the police and the Snowmobile Club will be able to work on the problem and come up with solutions.

Supervisor Grinnell agrees that the snowmobile club needs to sit down with the Police and the Buildings and Grounds Committee. We have purchases that property from CP Rail that could be utilized - this can be a coordinated effort. The feeling is that the snowmobile club members are not the offenders as it is others trying to find trails.

Board of Health - R. William Grinnell, Supervisor

No Report

Insurance - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

No Report

Contract Negotiations - R. William Grinnell, Supervisor

Executive Session Discussion

Transfer Station - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

Still waiting on International Paper Co.

Economic Development, Library, Ti TV, IT - Chattie Van Wert, Councilwoman

Library - new shelving looks wonderful - hearth work needs to be done - issues with Carnegie Place (sink hole in blacktop)

Signs- new parking signs have been ordered (Received)

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Think Local Campaign - TACC, think local, shop, spend, support your community and your future. Promote the importance of spending locally and supporting the local economy. By supporting locally you are supporting Ticonderoga area entrepreneurs, local businesses, organizations who are your friends and fellow community members. The money you spend locally re-circulates in your community.

Ticonderoga Montcalm Street - new website, timainstreet.org

Cycle Adirondacks - 2016 Tour, first stop will be in Ticonderoga.
(www.cycleadirondeacks.com)

Ti Festival Guild - Christmas Play "A Christmas Carol" December 17 - 20 at the Community Building.

CFO Grant - PRIDE has received \$300,000.00 in main street grants.

Other Committee Report's for Record

TAS Activity Newsletter Nov / Dec. 2015

Nov, 26/27 CLOSED for Thanksgiving

29 th Holiday Train 3:15 - 3:45pm Senior bus will pick up around 2 pm. (Don't forget your Food Pantry donation)

Dec. 2 nd 2 pm Kiwanis Christmas Lunch @ Ti Middle School Cafeteria. Senior bus will be running, so sign up with Darleen @ ACAP.

5 th 12 noon Trekonderoga - Holiday Open House with a show -" Christmas Aboard the Enterprise" with a screening of " The Voyage Home" and sneak peaks of " The Holiest Thing" and " Into Darkness".

15 th " Albany Lites" a Hayfield Quality Tours Trip \$ 68.
A visit to St Paul's Episcopal Church to see the Tiffany Windows and hear a Concert., then to The Underground City of Albany for lunch on your own. A visit to the New York State Museum and gift shop, then to Grandma's for supper , then on to Washington Park to see the Christmas Lites and displays, and a Champagne Party on the way home.
(your money covers church, museum, supper at Grandmas and the Christmas Lites , the Party home and the Bus)

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the Park and the Party home)
17 th ACAP Supper @ 5 pm Call Darleen @ 585-7682.**

I've come up with a list of 25 reasons you should visit or join the Ti Area Senior Center that I will share with you next month.

I've always said HAPPY HOLIDAYS, but so no one will be offended, I'll also say MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!

Ticonderoga Youth Commission Report
October 19 – November 16, 2015

10-19-15	After School Program	10 youth
10-20-15	After School Program	11 youth
10-21-15	After School Program	12 youth
10-22-15	After School Program	11 youth
10-23-15	After School Program	11 youth
10-24-15	Pumpkin Carving	30 youth
10-26-15	After School Program	16 youth
10-27-15	After School Program	Early Dismissal
10-28-15	After School Program	13 youth
10-29-15	After School Program	13 youth
10-30-15	No Program due to Halloween at Businesses	
11-02-15	After School Program	14 youth
11-03-15	After School Program	16 youth
11-04-15	After School Program	11 youth
11-05-15	After School Program	13 youth
11-06-15	After School Program	11 youth
11-09-15	After School Program	no program
11-10-15	After School Program	16 youth
10-11-15	After School Program	no school Veterans Day
11-12-15	After School Program	18 youth
11-13-15	After School Program	16 youth

1. The Biddy Basketball program started Sunday the 8th in the Teen Center
2. The Ski Program application is available at the schools, monies need to be turned in at the town offices either to the town clerk or the Supervisor clerk, checks should be made out to the Town Of Ticonderoga, any questions contact Helen Benedict.

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3. The After School Program is picking up, soccer and football has ended thus we have more youth signing up for the program.
4. The Basement of the Armory has been painted twice, now can myself and a couple helpers paint the walls that agree with the youth and the seniors, we would like to have one shade of color not grey, white, green, blue, ect. We would need to get the paint from Aubuchon Hardware and possibly 2 coats will be needed, we can paint over the Thanksgiving Holiday, there is no program for myself or the seniors.
5. We are having our youth Holiday Hay Ride November 29th from 6-8 at the Heritage Museum, many thanks to the Sawyer family for donating their time for this annual tradition.
6. We are hoping to plan a dance for Christmas if the DJ is available if not then possibly a Fun Spot Trip in December; I hope to have an answer by Monday night.
7. The budget clerk and myself will be checking the budget for 2015, and see if we have monies available to purchase items for the program, The one item that if possible would like to purchase a movie ticket for the students who have attended the after school program this year. The students that attend our program are lower income students that would enjoy a day at the movies but can't afford this, type of activity, this is just one of the ideas I was thinking about.
8. I would also like to thank Tonya for putting my tally list of students in alphabetical order, thus allowing faster attendance for the students to get their homework started and then they can start the fun.
9. I would like ideas for all about homework issue at the after school program, at this point the students who attend tell me if they have homework and others have none, so should we all have a quiet time for the 1st half hour so the students can have their homework done without distractions then after this they can move on to the games. I have the ability to touch base with the K-5 teachers and I can communicate this to them, I know they have no homework on Fridays. What do you al think?

Respectfully Submitted,

Marjorie J. Hurlburt
Recreation Supervisor

Report from Department Heads

Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney

IT - The Town has gone through some critical IT infrastructure crashes. This is an emergency situation and the board can proceed with entering into a contract with a company, Stored Tech.

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

Resolution No. 420 of 2015
Adopted December 10, 2015

Introduced by Fred Hunsdon
who moved its adoption

Seconded by Chattie Van Wert

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH STORED TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS INC. FOR COMPUTER NETWORK SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

WHEREAS, the municipal computer system of the Town of Ticonderoga and its departments has suffered catastrophic failures and disruptions within the past 2 years whereby critical municipal information technology infrastructure including that servicing the police department, billing, personnel and related departments of the Town was disrupted, inoperable and unavailable for significant periods of time; and

WHEREAS, the Town's information technology systems including networks, wiring, computers, software and hardware (hereafter "IT system") is at the end of its useful life and with the latest failures, the Town, with the assistance of consultants, was able to patch its computer network with a short term repair which could suffer failure at any time; and

WHEREAS, in today's society, sound and consistent computer functions are critical to the Town's police, personnel, Town Clerk's office, water and sewer departments, highway departments, and other critical departments; and

WHEREAS, in light of the recent IT system failures and potential imminent failures, the Town Board has considered the critical nature of these IT systems and believes that the Town Board must immediately address the age and inadequacy of its IT systems; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has adopted a procurement policy in accordance the General Municipal Law; and

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WHEREAS, most often, the acquisition of goods and services including information technology services, computer upgrades or replacements, and similar items, would be subject to the requirements of the Town's procurement policy; and

WHEREAS, due to the critical nature and significant impact to public health, safety and welfare that another IT system failure could cause to the Town, the Town Board has reviewed the situation with the Town's IT system and finds that the Town cannot suffer a failure of such systems; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 103(4), the Town Board believes that a failure of the Town's IT system would have the potential to cause significant harm to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Town of Ticonderoga warranting emergency action; and

WHEREAS, Town staff have worked to obtain a quote from Stored Technology Solutions, Inc., a business located locally in Queensbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has been presented a copy of a proposal for IT services including for a Complete IT System Rebuild a copy of which is supplied with this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board does not believe that delaying action on the Town's IT system would be in the best interests of the residents of the Town of Ticonderoga; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board believes that the proposal from Stored Technology Solutions, Inc. constitutes a reasonable and appropriate response to the emergency situation posed by the Town's IT system and the Town Board wishes to approve the proposal and authorize the Supervisor to execute them.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT:

RESOLVED, that upon due consideration and reflection, the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga finds that submitting the need for IT system rebuild will not be subject to competitive bidding under General Municipal Law Section 103 or the Town's procurement policy due to the emergency posed by the threat of failure of the Town's IT systems; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby approve the proposal from Stored Technology Solutions, Inc. titled "Proposal for Complete IT System Rebuild" dated November 10, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the Supervisor to execute same in the name of the Town of Ticonderoga; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.**

PRESENT:

R. William Grinnell, Supervisor	Aye
Wayne Taylor, Councilman	Aye
Chattie Van Wert, Councilman	Aye
Fred Hunsdon, Sr., Councilman	Aye

ABSENT:

David Iuliano, Councilman

{Seal}

Tonya Thompson, Town Clerk
Town of Ticonderoga

Supervisor Grinnell feels before the Town enters into an agreement for support from this company, the new board should be present. He would like to let the next board decide what they want to do with support. He understands from their discussions that the first two months after the install are free?

Discussion was held.

Councilwoman Van Wert would like to thank Paul Burns and Fred Provoncha for all the work that they have given us over the years. They have spent a lot of time with us, some that they didn't even bill us for. We would like to thank them publically. (The board agrees.)

No word from EPA on water project, but we are moving forward.

Mr. Fuller made the board aware that he has spoken with the Comptrollers Office on the question from the Multi-Purpose Building Committee on having a joint project between the Police Department and the Fire Department. (New Building). There is a mechanism in the general municipal law that we could use to do this, not everything but he will meet directly with the committee to discuss this further. It is an option, but it will be a board decision on what way they want to go.

Discussion on other litigation will be in Executive.

Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Bid Award - F450 Utility Truck (Geraw's high bid)

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Miscellaneous Notes

Supervisor Grinnell made the board aware that we have had the opportunity to secure a contract with First National Bass Tournament - this will generate a good deal of publicity for our little Town, the short term impact should be about \$200,000.00. Hopefully, this is a good reader of things to come, if we are going to push towards tourism which is what the state is turning us into - we have a bonafide jewel sitting to our east as well as one to our south. Lake George is well known as one of the most beautiful lakes in the country and Lake Champlain is becoming known as a premier bass fishery in the country. It is a good day for Ticonderoga.

Invitation for the Public to Address the Board

Mrs. Dixon asked about this proposal from Stored Tech - can someone fill in the figures for this contract - \$60,000.00 for the rebuild and \$30,000.00 for support? (the answer was yes, approximately) We are doing this with no bid? Do we have any idea what a competitive rebuild for our entire IT system would cost? Where are they in the market place in terms of what they are charging? This seems like a lot of money.

Councilwoman Van Wert explained that because this was an emergency we did not have to go through the bidding process. They didn't just pull this out of the air, they came here and spent over a day and more than once to survey everything. They surveyed everything, the hardware, the software so they have invested a fair amount of time and they have the expertise to say that this is where you are and this is where you should be. They are very proficient, they support other municipalities. It is not as if we are the only municipality that they are working for, they have offices in Plattsburgh and Glens Falls and Albany and they have a great staff. We are at that point where we can't say let's study and study and study some more, we could be in another bad position where our services are compromised. We made this decision that they come (and highly recommended), we need to make this decision and go with it.

Councilman Taylor added that they stated that some of the pricing that they used in the proposal was bid pricing used in other places. It was not exurbanite pricing, it was used in other competitively bids.

Supervisor Grinnell also added that they reason we are doing this in an emergency basis is because the equipment that we have is both very old and very fragile. It could go down again in any minute. We went down in our budget period and we were very nearly in jeopardy of being in violation of the laws of the state because we couldn't prepare

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materials that we needed to get done. It was the board's determination that we need to do this now.

Mrs. Dixon understands this need and certainly does not want to cast dispersions on the company, it just seems like tens of thousands of dollars is a lot.

Councilman Hunsdon explained that we right now have a 'band aid' on our system and we can go down at any time.

Supervisor Grinnell also explained that we have equipment at the Highway Garage, we have equipment at the Police Department, equipment at the Courts, equipment at the Sewer and Water Plants, Police Cars. It is a whole lot bigger system than what you are probably picturing in your mind. This is pretty extensive.

Mrs. Dixon would like to know if when you build a sidewalk and where it meets the street there are these orange things.....

Councilman Taylor explained that this is for the visually impaired, it is a transition from the sidewalk to the street. They can feel that with their stick.

Mrs. Dixon then asked if a snowmobile rides over that what happens?

Mr. Fuller explained that there are three different options, steel based, cement based and rubber based. The cement based do not generally last as long, the rubber doesn't generally do as well up here because of the weather.

Mrs. Dixon asked what was on the Tower Avenue sidewalks (the board did not know).

Mr. Fuller mentioned the article in the Times Union talking about the possible proposal that the Governor has to use some of the bank money for infrastructure that the billions that the state is due to get from the bank settlements. It was not a very long article, but the example that was given in it of why this money is needed is the Town of Ticonderoga's water system.

Resolution #422-2015 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to exit the Regular Town Board Meeting and enter into an Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. inviting Supervisor Elect Joe Giordano and Chief Mark Johns to discuss contract negotiations and particular personnel matters. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Resolution #423-2015 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to exit the Executive Session at 8:39 p.m. and re-enter the Regular Town Board meeting. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

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Mr. Fuller wanted to follow up on a letter that was received by the Town from the Employees Mutual Association in regards to the Town being a conduit for grant funds. They need to realize that this is public money so bidding and all the other factors will kick in.

Supervisor Grinnell is concerned about the perception, the perception is going to be that the Town of Ticonderoga is putting a new roof on the EMA building. The EMA wants us to be a conduit for the funds that are coming from Senator Little's office, the problem is that Senator Little's Office doesn't describe it that way. It is described as a grant to the Town of Ticonderoga and we spend that grant putting a roof on the EMA.

Councilman Taylor stated that we have done this before.

Supervisor Grinnell does not like to leave grant money, but he believes that this is a poor place to put the Town in. He does not want to turn the EMA down, but he does not want to put the Town in a bad place. They will be asked to come in to the next meeting.

Resolution #425-2015 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to schedule a Special Town Board meeting on December 22, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. to consider the appointment of two (2) part-time clerks. **All in Favor** R. William Grinnell- Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. David Iuliano - Absent. **Carried.**

Councilman Taylor wanted to make a statement on the vote for the Sergeant position, because he was under the impression that he could not vote and has stated so in several public meetings. At the advice of counsel today, he could have in fact voted; but chose not to on the basis of what he has stated previously.

Councilman Taylor also mentioned that the TRA is willing to help us act as a clearing house for properties that are coming potentially into foreclosure or are in foreclosure.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

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Town Board Meeting Agenda – Thursday December 10, 2015 @ 6:00pm

As of 12/9/2015 1:22 PM

Opening and Pledge to the Flag

Public Hearing

2016 Chilson Fire Department annual contract
Shannon Russell property located at 128 Burgoyne Rd
William Brown property located at 43 Myers St

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION to Accept/correct minutes of Regular and Special Meetings

RESOLUTION to Pay the bills

RESOLUTION authorizing the following Training and prepayment vouchers for Registration, and meals. Via the Federal Per Diem rates;

Amy Quesnel, Training School, Albany, January 13 to January 15, 2016

RESOLUTION appointing the following persons to serve on the TRA Board of Directors for a three year term;

Donna Wotton, reappointment

Vincent Smith, reappointment

Sandy Morhouse, Vice-Chair, reappointment

Pam Nolan, new appointment, Ticonderoga Federal Credit Union

RESOLUTION to reclassify Dale Quesnel from the position of Police Officer to Police Sergeant effective

January 1, 2016

RESOLUTION approving AES to complete a Feasibility Study to move the control panel to the grinder pump

Station on Baldwin Rd

Committee reports:

Public Works WG

Building Grounds Parks Rec DI

Airport DI

Highway DI

Public Safety WT

Board of Health WG

Insurance WT

Contract negotiations WG

Transfer Station FH

Sub Committee Economic Development CVW

Sub Committee Library & Ti TV CVW

Sub Committee IT CVW

*Attorney, Matt Fuller – IT contract with Stored Tech

*Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Supervisor Grinnell – Miscellaneous Notes

Invitation for the public to address the Town Board – Please Stand and State Your Name

RESOLUTION to Exit the Regular Town Board Meeting

RESOLUTION to Enter & Exit Executive Session

RESOLUTION to adjourn the Town Board Meeting