

**Minutes for a Town of Ticonderoga Special Meeting with a Public Hearing regarding the Town's Long Term Control Plan held on January 28, 2026, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** James F. O'Bryan, Supervisor  
Dave Woods, Councilman  
Laura Best, Councilwoman  
Tom Thatcher, Councilman  
Heath Towne, Councilman  
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk  
Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney

**Others:** Water/Wastewater Superintendent Derrick Fleury, Wastewater Deputy Superintendent Eric Blanchard and Jennifer Weeks, Wright/Pierce Engineer.

Supervisor O'Bryan opened the meeting with the Reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga on January 28, 2026 at 6:00 pm at the Offices of the Town of Ticonderoga, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga, New York, to discuss the Town's updated Long Term Control Plan which provides for compliance with the Town's New York State Pollution Control Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) permit, and includes provision for improvements to the Town's wastewater collection system to mitigate combined sewer overflow discharges to the LaChute River and other matters as relevant, and at which time and place the Town Board hereby calls a special meeting for any business that may be brought before the Town Board at that time and place. A copy of the draft updated Long Term Control Plan is available at the Town's website: <https://townofticonderoga.gov/>.

Town Attorney, Matthew Fuller gave a brief overview of the Town's Long Term Control Plan and the procedure it entails to update it. He explained that the Town still has some combined systems which is why this is needed, the Portage project involved the separation of the wastewater and storm water and has helped tremendously with overflows. There were none last year.

There was no public present to speak.

Public Hearing was closed at 6:20 p.m.

Other Business

**Resolution #12-2026** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher to send Derrick Fleury to the Pesticide Training in Cicero on February 4<sup>th</sup> and February 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>. The cost for the training is \$412.00; cost of the hotel is \$109.00 (February 10<sup>th</sup> only) for a total of \$521.00, plus travel and meal reimbursement. **All in Favor** James O'Bryan – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Laura Best – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

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**Resolution #13-2026** brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Heath Towne accepting from Wright-Pierce the proposed scope of work and fee for engineering services to support the SPDES permit requirements which includes: Annual CSO Report, Post Construction Compliance Monitoring Report, Sensitivity Analysis and Long Term Control Plan for a total of \$11,500.00. **All in Favor** James O'Bryan – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Laura Best – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Town Clerk Tonya Thompson explained to the board that we currently have a Law on the books providing for a partial real property tax exemption for people 65 years of age or older. The state has updated their income numbers and it is proposed the Town stay at that same level to offer our Seniors this same rate. The Town needs to repeal it's existing law and adopt a new one with the new income levels. This will need to be done before March 1<sup>st</sup> and we have to hold Public Hearings.

**Resolution #14-2026** brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Laura Best to schedule a Public Hearing on February 26, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. concerning a proposed Local Law repealing Local Law 3 of 2021 which provided for a partial real property tax exemption for persons 65 years or older. **All in Favor** James O'Bryan – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Laura Best – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

**Resolution #15-2026** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Laura Best to schedule a Public Hearing on February 26, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. concerning a proposed Local Law providing for a partial real property tax exemption for persons 65 years or older. **All in Favor** James O'Bryan – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Laura Best – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Supervisor O'Bryan explained that he would like to have a brief discussion in Executive Session regarding Personnel matters.

**Resolution #16-2026** brought by James O'Bryan, seconded by Tom Thatcher to exit the meeting to enter into an Executive Session at 6:28 p.m. to discuss Personnel Matters. **All in Favor** James O'Bryan – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Laura Best – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

**Resolution #17-2026** brought by Heath Towne, seconded by Tom Thatcher to exit the Executive Session at 7:08 p.m. **All in Favor** James O'Bryan – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Laura Best – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk