

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga Town Board meeting held on October 13, 2017
commencing at 6:00 p.m. with Public Hearings regarding Solar Installation in the
Town, LL #1 of 2011 regarding Residential in the Commercial Zone and also the
Consideration of a LL Overriding the Tax Cap.**

Present: Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Fred Hunsdon, Councilman
Wayne Taylor, Councilman
Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman
Dave Woods, Councilman
Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Others: Joe Vilardo, Peggy Armstrong, Tim Ryan, Laura & Mark Wright, Karen Crammond, Greg Swart, Dick Holroyd, Steve Patnode, Danielle O'Mara, Stu Baker, Chief LaVallie, Herb & Maria Tedford, Dean Cook, Mike Doud, Chris Huestis, Garrett Lee, R.B. Crammond, Bob Porter, James Backus and others.

Supervisor Giordano opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the Reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks

Supervisor Giordano wanted to highlight the receipt of two Comment Cards that have been received regarding our Officer Michael Mawn. The cards commend Officer Mawn specifically on his promptness, professionalism and courteousness, and they thank him specifically for his work along with the entire police department.

Supervisor Giordano also highlighted the Town of Ticonderoga's award of the Round 3 Infrastructure Grant Funding. 1). \$2,879,104.00 for the Clean Water Improvement (Improving our WWTP and Daylight Project through the Park) Project and 2). \$1,000,000.00 for the Drinking Water Supply Project.

Presentation

Danielle O'Mara - Tobacco-Free: Clinton, Franklin, Essex explained that she is a mom to a five (5) year old daughter that has a higher likelihood of being a smoker just because she was born and raised in the North Country of New York. Statistics back this up, Adirondack Health Institute shares this data of the trends here in the North Country. Smoking rates are at 22.6% in the North Country compared to New York State wide which is at 15.9% and the U.S. rate which is at 16.8%. No doubt that the North Country does have a high smoking rate. She has a higher likelihood of seeing women smoking. In Essex County the male smoking rate is at 15.5% and female smoking rate is at 17.9%. Even though she comes from a non-smoking family and an educated family she is seeing this in other parts of her life. Just walk out the door. Imagine if you would, you are with your daughter, your son, your granddaughter, your grandson and you are taking a typical trip out to a convenience store. You get to the counter and what is the first thing that you see? You will see the cashier, but you might also see the big wall. The 'Power Wall'. Big tobacco companies spend millions of dollars on marketing to youth. According to our statistics the average age of a new smoker in New York is 13. If you know someone

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right now who is a smoker, ask them when did they first start? Many times you will start to hear those early teen years, 90% of adult smokers say that they first tried smoking by the age of 18, 96% by the age of 21. There is all kinds of indications that the big tobacco companies are doing their jobs by making sure that young people are replacing those who die from smoking. Although she wants her daughter to live long and well and be a non-smoker, there are going to be so many influences that will maybe help her go in that direction. At that time, because she works in this field, it becomes very difficult knowing what the consequences are. We are making progress. She is the community engagement coordinator here at Tobacco Free - Clinton, Franklin, Essex. We work on four different initiatives. Two of the ones that she talks about the most is what we call Point of Sale. Places where tobacco is being sold. The other one is tobacco free outdoors. This is one she has made a lot of progress with over the last few months. She has covered Clinton, Franklin and Essex county, since beginning a year ago, she started off in Franklin and moved over in this direction. Since that time she has had municipalities like this start a TFO policy. Some of those of the first ones that began was Moira, they made all of their parks and vehicles and any property that they own tobacco free. Let her make a distinction between what we know of a smoke free versus tobacco free. Tobacco free includes E-cigarettes and Vaping. If you are familiar with those terms you are going to see that there are a lot of youth right now that are partaking in this type of activity. There was a large spike in that type of smoking which they (the tobacco companies) are marketing as safer ways to smoke because they have less nicotine. That is not necessarily true, there is not a lot of evidence right now of how addictive they can be, but it just leads to traditional combustible smoking. There are other information that she is finding out that leads to using those vap. machines leads to the use of drugs also. Besides Moira, the Village of Malone has done a TFO in all of their parks, also the Town of Champlain, the Village of Rouses Point, the Town of Plattsburgh. If you partner with us on creating new policies what usually happens is we work together and you will receive new signage from us. We work on a grant with NYS tobacco control and we can provide them. Most municipalities are looking for tobacco free parks including E-cigarettes and Vaping. Currently, the clean indoor act does not include that and it is currently being work on to include it, but if you do have a current policy in place it probably doesn't include it either because it was probably old enough that it doesn't include those two things. This is a very exciting time that we have municipalities and leadership who are willing to work on changing the culture in the North Country through policy development and she knows that you have probably heard some of this, but these are the things that she works on in particular with her agency in Plattsburgh and we make sure that we cover as many different Towns in Clinton, Franklin and Essex. So she can answer any questions the best that she can.

Councilman Hunsdon asked what is the new deal where they do puff on these electrical type of situation.

Ms. O'Mara explained that E-cigarettes shops are showing up in a lot of places in small town's like this. There are a few now in Plattsburgh. It is an electronic device that takes a liquid (nicotine) and it channels it through it. What happens is that it doesn't smell like

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traditional smoke or tobacco, but they are also getting away with it not smelling like anything you put in there. Just think of what they can do with something like that where the liquid changes the form. When you are seeing this big puff, it is a cloud of vapor that doesn't have a smell, so it is a way that they are currently in taking tobacco. What is crazy about this is that the industry are making flavors that are more interesting for young people to want to try - cotton candy, bubble gum, gummy bears. They want you to try this and they want it to be sweet and easy to use so that you are getting more and more used to it and the nicotine and then the need for more will increase. A lot of people will say that it is a way of cutting down on smoking and in a way it doesn't really work - there is still nicotine. There are different methods to stopping smoking, this is not the best way to go. There is more information that she can communicate about if anyone is interested.

Public Hearing

Local Law #1 of 2011 - Residential in the Commercial Zone

The board was waiting on a recommendation from Montcalm Street Partnership, they agree with the area starting at the Montcalm Street - Schuyler/Wiley Intersection down to the 1888 Building and including the two buildings behind the Black Watch Library and the Corner of Lake George and Algonkin.

Public Hearing closed at 6:20 p.m.

Ordinance regulating Solar in the Town of Ticonderoga
(Concerns about commercial installations in Town)

Bob Porter noted that his main concern on the big commercial projects is, should 10 years, 20 years from now what is going to happen if this company goes belly up, what is going to happen. These things can still be operational in 20 years but that is the end of the contract. What if the land owner says they don't want to do this anymore or whatever it may be. One of the big concerns is having something bonded for the removal of these installations 20 years from now or whenever this company stops operating this array whatever it may be. There has to be something in place. If the money is bonded for their removal, we won't have to worry about it. The Planning Board meeting that we were at, they said the Code Enforcement officer can put something out to these guys that this has to be removed, but what is the hammer on these guys for removal. There is none, no one is going to jail, there is no fines or anything. If the money is put aside so that in 20 years if it needs to be removed it gets removed so it is not an eye sore. Especially on a project that you are talking 10, 20, 30, 40 acres, this is substantial and with this being a multi-million dollar project, whatever the numbers may be probably not even a fraction of that would be needed for the removal of them. This needs to be part of the law. He and quite a few of us here feel that needs to be in there.

Joe Vilardo agrees that this is his concern, you have these panels, where are you going to take them, how do you dispose of them. There should be a bond in place or something to

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that effect. Have the money there so if they do walk away from them they can be taken care of and it is not up to the property owner to have to dispose of them.

Dean Cook agrees that this is the right track, you can see the results of having no bond with the 120,000 square feet issue you have at the four corners, that Lowes building just sits there. Bonding should be applied to every big commercial project whether solar or not solar in this Town. This will protect the Town, past is past and it is time to do things right this time.

Garrett Lee from Hudson Solar agrees with all of you. We do community solar along with Borrego. We would like to eventually when these laws are passed submit for a building permit for a half acre array. We would sell those panels to you, Joe down the road and in our contract with the land owner whom we will lease the land from, we will have a decommissioning plan of our own. He does encourage the Town to put some decommissioning ordinances in there so you are covered. He would like to warn, if you are in favor of solar and you want it to be real, you keep it to the level where it is still viable for the company to come in. Solar is competitive, we try to make a little bit of money, but he has seen at some town meetings that it is usually the bonds that secure the decommissioning that make it unviable to come to the town. Hopefully, you can find a happy medium. That is just something to keep in mind.

Councilman Hunsdon asked what is done with the panels once they are no good.

Discussion was had on how to dispose of these arrays (ie: recycling).

Councilman Taylor asked if these companies do have bonds with these towns and they are still viable.

Mr. Lee, Hudson Solar, stated yes.

Councilman Hunsdon asked what the companies do with their panels that have problems and are not working correctly.

Discussion was held on the workings on solar arrays, how they are recycled, how long they last, etc.

Mike Doud, Borrego Solar assured the board that his company is in agreement and support doing a decommission bond.

Councilman Woods asked how long a bond is for and what is to ensure you keep the bond.

Mr. Doud, Borrego Solar, stated that they are renewed annually and if they let that bond go then you can go out and shut down the system so the company can't make the money

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on their multi- million dollar investment. It will be part of the contract. The Town will be the Loss Payee.

James Backus stated that he is worried about the future of how many solar panels can be put so close to the Town. It has been said that there will be some where are 20,000 panels put there, he has a piece of property that is fairly close and aesthetically he is worried about that also. If another company wants to come in and set up next to the Village, how do we manage the distance coming into the Town is. He doesn't believe that this should be put so close to the village especially when the sunlight that they are looking for goes down where they want to put this set up, the sun goes down sooner than anywhere in between that mountain the lake. His feeling is being so close to the village is one of concern and if the zoning is put so that this can't happen where it wants to be put, then what is the impact in the future of more coming in our vicinity to the people that live here. The hospital is right there, the glare from it... there are a lot better places for this to be put than right there at the foot of the mountain.

Discussion was held on the technology of the solar and how they function, especially concerning the glare. More glare comes off from water than the panels - they absorb.

Discussion was held amongst the public on solar.

Mr. Cook mentioned that it is always a good thing to have the zoning board take a look at this solar law to see what are appropriate sites for solar.

Mr. Holroyd asked about the neighbors or people around it, what happens to their property values, does it add to it or detract from it?

Councilman Taylor stated that any installation with need a special use permit will be subject to Site Plan Review and would warrant going to the Planning Board to be reviewed and the neighbors will have an opportunity to speak on it. Special conditions can be attached.

Supervisor Giordano stated that the concerns brought up are certainly ones to be addressed, bonding seems like something that even the solar companies agree to and can obviously be added to this. Giving this to zoning is ok, but our codes and site plans reviews are not really strong and don't really mirror our comprehensive plan so that is why it is hard for the board to make a decision. That is why we rely on the public to give us input as to what they want for the town so that we can help guide that process and help figure out where the installations would be best suited.

Councilman Woods asked how close to the Town would you put panels.

Discussion was held on what solar needs to work - it is aesthetics along with location to 3 phase power, the APA is also looking this in regard to the numbers of systems, location, and in addition there is a natural limitation of what you can put it. Further discussion was

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held on why this area was chosen and further detail of how the solar would work for the community.

Mr. Cook suggested speaking with National Grid on where they feel these arrays can be put.

Councilman Taylor asked if this array would be in the Ag District and would that change?

R.B. Crammond stated that it is and it would be taxable if the project went forward.

Mr. Doud stated that this is a great revenue for the Town.

Mr. Cook did want to mention that this array will take up some of our Ag Land. It should not be routinely stated that Ag. Land is the place for this to be.

Steve Patnode asked if someone should be appointed to monitor this process. There are a lot of people involved here and a lot of opinions in this room.

Supervisor Giordano stated that we need to come up with a plan and feels that this suggestion of bonding is something we can implement into our law. He does believe that there should be some Public Informational meetings set up regarding how this solar will work for our community.

Local Law to Override the Tax Cap

Supervisor Giordano explained that he would like to put to bed any concerns that the town wants to override the tax cap. We do not. We have entered into a different means of going through the budget process - a reality budget. In getting a better handle on our expenses last year we dropped our tax rate on the general taxes by 7% and highway by 3%, so we are applying that same process to this years. As it stands right now we are at 3% over the tax cap and in the event that the board cannot agree upon the necessary adjustments and changes that we need to lower that rate to 1.78%, we would need to have a local law to override the tax cap. The county does it every year, this is just a formality for us. It is not in the favor of this town board to override the tax cap.

Councilman Taylor stated that we are 3% over the cap right now, how much of unappropriated fund balance has been appropriated.

Supervisor Giordano stated that we have not used any fund balance as of yet.

Mr. Porter asked what our fund balance is.

Supervisor Giordano stated that we have a very healthy fund balance, unfortunately we do not have an exact number for that, but the Town has been working on trying to get a

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handle on our actual costs per year. Every year the Town has to do an Annual Update Document and the Town is actually behind for several years. We just completed our 2015 AUD at the beginning of the summer, but because of the federal monies that the Town receives we are required to do an audit of the AUD, in terms of how we used those federal monies and that has been going on. Some of the problems that we have had in our bookkeeping, our reconciliations between the bank and our own software system have not mirrored each other like they should. You are dealing with a Town that has upwards of eight million dollars appropriated to operates all the different aspects combined of water/sewer/highway/general. Since he has been on, he has been trying to get his head around on why the AUD's have been routinely late and some of the discrepancies that the OSC has given back to the Town. We have hired a CPA and are going through the process of cleaning things up. Getting back, the Town has a pretty healthy fund balance, more than we actually need, but we don't have an exact number.

Mr. Porter asked if there was a recommendation from the state as to the maximum that we can have.

Councilman Taylor stated that it is 7%.

Mr. Porter believes it should be high, sometimes you don't know what comes up. We see this at the school - they want 4% which is ridiculous. Something over 10% isn't unreasonable. You hear things from your opponent saying this and this and certain things about the fund balance and you don't know what is try and what isn't. What is the real story.

Councilman Taylor asked in terms of what we are facing in terms of fines, is that going to be factored in as to whether we will have to go over the tax cap.

Supervisor Giordano stated that this would be outside of our budget. The fund balance has built up, either the town has been appropriating more money and not spending and this is part of our new reality budget.

Mr. Cook asked what were the road blocks to getting these real numbers and what are you doing to fix them?

Supervisor Giordano stated that he has asked for the department heads to put together their budget and to provide substantiation, so a lot of this was taking time and educating the departments. Health care is going up 8% and this is a challenge, and there were issues with the bookkeeping, making sure what was being spent was being entered into the computer on a routine basis. We have made changes in our practices some of payments being made prior to the abstracts. Having a CPA as a resource now to help us make sure we are abiding by the latest and newest practices has been a help.

Mr. Cook understands how frustrating it can be to not have real numbers.

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Supervisor Giordano agreed and added that it has been a challenge for some department heads who have wanted to purchase certain things and not knowing where they stand with their fund balance and it is just as frustrating for us sitting here trying to make decisions about expenses we have to determine and the needs of everyone. We know that we probably have a fund balance that is 40%?? it is high and part of what we do if you have a high fund balance is you put it towards a one time cost. We have plenty of infrastructure that needs it, we need a highway building a police building, we have talked about using that fund balance when we finally get things buttoned up to use it towards something beneficial to the Town. The town has been looking to bring on someone with an accounting background to help us moving forward.

Mr. Holroyd asked if you can do this learning curve without having to pass this law? What is the reason you have to repeal this law to do this learning curve.

Supervisor Giordano explained that this is just a formality and we won't adopt this law until the very latest possible and that is only if we need to, but we have articulated the necessity to come under the tax cap and not pass this law. However, in the event that we need to, this is part of the process. As mentioned, we can stay under that tax cap if we use the fund balance, but if we use that we are taking away from our nest egg. If we get used to constantly using that fund balance that will impact how we operate. Right now our expenses are over the cap. We will meet with department heads and hone in on what is needed for that department to operate, every department has a wish list and some of those items will not get funded.

Mr. Holroyd asked if there were any particular expenses that are causing this to occur.

Supervisor Giordano stated that 8.2% health insurance rate increases is a big factor, and we have 2% increases with contractual raises, and it has been said that the town has given raises these arbitrarily inflated raises. The town has not looked at it's non-union staff like it has it's union staff at least in terms of having a contracted arrangement because there is no contract for non-union. This year he would like to continue with the process of making market adjustments for certain positions. We need to make sure we are paying an appropriate wage - Equal work is equal pay, that has not been done before. We also eliminated the way in which we pay people. He has had people come up to him and say make the budget more legible, more understandable to read. The way we did it in the past, if he asked what someone was making and you just pointed to a salary you would be wrong because there is a number of stipends also included in some of those cost and they are not always obvious to the public. The budget needs to be more up front and articulate how your money is being spent and what projects it is going towards.

Mr. Cook asked how soon do you decide you need to go over the cap? Is there a time frame.

Mr. Fuller explained that just because you have this public hearing on the local law, it does not mean it will get adopted. If the budget does exceed the tax cap, you cannot

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adopt the resolution to adopt the budget before you adopt a resolution to go over the tax cap. We actually have to the 20th.

Mr. Backus asked what the actual cost is this year over last years budget as a percentage compared to the percentage you want to raise to the tax cap.

Councilman Taylor stated that it is at a 3%, the total increase which would be about 4.8% roughly.

Supervisor Giordano explained that as of right now this is tentative, we have to go from the tentative budget which has a lot of work to be done to it, through the preliminary process in the budget workshops and finally to the adoptive stage where we hope to pass it under the tax cap and move on to 2018,

Councilman Taylor stated just for reference we have never overridden the tax cap, since it has been in place and everybody in town got check from NYS Taxation and Finance in varying amounts, and that is because we have never overridden that tax cap.

Mr. Porter stated that you only need to do it if you have to, if don't every one reaps the reward.

Mr. Cook expressed his appreciation for the board's efforts to say under the tax cap.

Public Hearing closed at 7:30 p.m.

Public Comment

Mr. Patnode stated that he is hearing a lot of things tonight about spending money and doing this and that and he is still in a daze about the property next door to his house. He knows it is under deep thought and question about the laws and how we are going to handle taking it, but he also wants to remember that in most instances places and deals like this are regularly being taken care of and even though the homeowner hasn't, it still hasn't been made a public nuisance and health issue. The Town seems to want to take care of all the large things and he doesn't think his problem or the Town's of cleaning up these homes are such a big deal as everybody thinks it is. He thinks there is room in budget money to start taking care of some of these things because he sat here at the last board meeting and saw people raise their hand to raise the make up on this building almost \$200,000.00, but you won't spend money on cleaning up these homes. Now somebody has got to do something about where we are going to stop and where we are going to start again and he guess he is going to be one of the guys in this town that is going to start it again. Four years ago the old realm took over this house and because of the way people felt about him, it got cancelled while he was gone, being torn down and he really wished it was torn down, but it wasn't because people of the old realm stopped it. Things along the way have taught him that things have been story told, lied and bullied to him about this deal next to his house. He feels that the old realm needs to go

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and he is supporting the republican party. Our chairman is a republican supporting a democrat and we all want to know when we are going to start getting a little more out of this man to support us, as far as he knows, Mr. Grinnell would like to reinstate an independent and this gentleman over here that is supposed to be supporting our board is supporting him. He has caused a lot of problems and he has been to his house and harassed him and insulted his intelligence. It is very outspoken that he has to come and bring this out again because he sees a lot of things going on, but nothing to concern all the damages that were done around this town. It needs to be brought up and it needs to be taken care of and you may have laughed a few minutes ago when he said someone should be watching everybody else, well somebody should be watching all the little things that are going on and report back to somebody else. That is what is needed around here because the town has got so behind on everything. He is willing to stick his neck out for a lot of things that he probably never should but there is a drug problem in this town. He sees it every night, I have to go out and pick up the kids or do something else at 10:00 at night and he sees people and the houses need to be taken care of. There are still houses around here that need to be cleaned up. It is really getting sad that the neighbors and people that come to him because he is the guy that sticks out in front of all of you. Maybe he will stick around a little longer and help everybody out, but he wants to let you know that there are other people around that are concerned besides him in this town and he wished more people would come to the board meetings and speak about it because they don't. They like to say it, but they don't do it. He thinks the new realm needs to start and all this old stuff needs to be cleaned up and it really needs to be taken care of. He is sorry for bringing such a few minutes of down time to a good meeting but we have to spend money on our health and our core. Our core of our school is to protect and serve our kids, we have already failed that from letting the gentleman throw asbestos and lead out the window by his house and blow into school busses that in 20 years you might hear from so and so's kid or this neighbors kid that he's got it. Well maybe he drove by his house that day. You don't know that, this is why this has become such a problem with him. His health is very bad, he goes out of his house yesterday morning after that rain and he smells it. Not anybody in this room would have that next to their house. Including him (Councilman Taylor) or the ex supervisor and that is a quote, because he is telling you, they have caused more harm and damage to him on the Portage and the health of those people that you don't even know yet. He smells it, he is telling you right now and this place needs to be cleaned up. He doesn't care if you need a bylaw, any other town has that law, you must clean it up no matter what, he doesn't care if he spent the money or not. You are responsible for public health reason to clean this mess up. This has been held back from the last generation and he is sorry that you guys have to do something about this immediately. He will be back at the next board meeting and he would really like an answer. He doesn't care about the laws, it needs to be cleaned up. There are three other burned places within a half a mile of his house, same thing. He has three other people saying the same thing to him, but they don't show up. He is going to speak for the Town people because he is not scared to. You people need to know, step up. It is a serious thing, these kids are getting in and out of those houses. There are dogs and stuff in this house for the last year. No one hears it, because they don't live next to it. No one cares about it. The Town really needs to step up and take care of this. Whether

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there is a bylaw or not. These properties need to be overtaken, people need to be judged and punished for what they are doing. They all got insurance money. Two of the three, he knows for a fact that they got insurance money and didn't clean the place up. He really has other things to say tonight but he won't because the meeting has been so long, but he will be back and we need to very seriously take care of these few things. It has become a nuisance.

Mr. Porter asked if the property is still owned by the land owner or does the county own it?

Mr. Patnode stated that these people are trying to take it back, but the problem is and everyone needs to know, that there are a lot of houses and condemned places in this town that are in the same boat that these people are trying to help, but no one else knows about. The homeowner needs to step up and take care of stuff.

Mr. Porter would like to know who is responsible?

Supervisor Giordano stated that the home owner still owns the property.

Mr. Porter agrees that it is awful, he just went by it yesterday thinking you have to be kidding him. Are there laws in place at the county, this can't go on perpetually.

Supervisor Giordano explained that the Town passed a law to put a lien on a property that has been damaged by fire, in fact we have the one right on Burgoyne Road that been a rather lengthy process. Unfortunately, the ones that happened prior to this law was passed if they received the insurance money and didn't do anything with it to remedy the property the town is

Mr. Patnode stated that the law was after this house burned, that was during the old realm.

Mr. Backus asked why this can't be cleaned up.

Supervisor Giordano stated that it can be cleaned up.

Mr. Backus stated that he know exactly about this house, he knows most everything about that house and it cannot be cleaned up. The state will not release it, it has been inspected and it has no asbestos in it. An inspector went there and inspected the place, that was paid for. They said it has no asbestos, the state won't write off on it. Therefore, it can't be cleaned up in the State's eyes unless there is an asbestos crew and the cost of that asbestos crew is a lot. Now the inspector said there is no asbestos there, the state won't recognize it for whatever reason. That is my ex-father-in-law so that is how he knows all of this about that house. He knows what is going on there and believe him, that man has spent a lot of his own money trying to get that done. Pat Armstrong was there in his excavator to clean that up and Steven came and stopped it. So Steve it would have

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been cleaned up and asbestos siding is legal to be taken off and buried on your own property for one. Other asbestos internally isn't pipes and insulation from what he knows. So just to give you a little bit of understanding more than what some people know, money has been put in that place to try to get it cleaned up.

Supervisor Giordano explained that the way the law is now, if there is a fire then the responsibility of the land owner who has insurance is to take care of that first before the town incurs that cost. If the town has to go out and fix those properties, you can imagine what that is going to do to this tax base and all of you who don't have that property, that is not your property even though we all want it cleaned up it will be more than just your tax money..... this is part of the challenge in terms of trying to get a budget to handles this and the board has talked about doing just that, but in the same light that doesn't hold responsibility on the person who's property got damaged. If the town takes on the responsibility of every property that has been damaged prior to this law that basically means that no one is held accountable for the things that have happened on properties that they have owned. We are working will the different agencies and the legalities of how we go about doing this in a judicious way. It takes time. We are still working through the process. Even with the law in place as it is now, the property that burned in December on Burgoyne, we are still working through that process. We are trying to understand how this process is best suited to make sure it doesn't happen again and you try to remedy the ones that are. They should not be there as long as they are there, we are trying to work with our other elected officials, Betty Little and himself and the other supervisors have scheduled some meeting to talk about the asbestos situation and how to deal with it. It is very costly just to do the inspection and then it is more costly to do the remediation's. It is not as easy as coming to the board and saying take care of that building. The board cannot just do that. You have to provide the right structure and balance for the things that we have to take on in the town and then figure our what other avenues we have to remedy these unfortunate instances that have happened in the past. The law of 2014 is just one of those things. The Town is working on it..... but it works slow.

Mr. Patnode stated that the house next to his has been dug up two or three times over the last 22 years and there has been permits from this town to burn this place so he was there his brother was there, the town was there. There has been many previous things done to this house. If there was no asbestos in there they would have torn that building down. The reason that is not torn down is because the Department of Labor would not accept the report (of asbestos) because they are not certified and recognized by NYS. That is why this problem has been incurred all this time because it wasn't taken care of properly from the first time. It is not because he stopped it, he stopped it because of what was going on. Not just because of the lead and asbestos, that house has been dug up twice previously by two people of the town's employment. We can go back 22 years, but two employees were digging up that hole for Mr. Thompson so we can talk about many rules being broken in this room, so the main reason is, is that there is lead and asbestos and it is a nuisance to public health. You can say what you want about it, but

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Discussion between Mr. Patnode and Mr. Backus....

Supervisor Giordano interrupted and wanted to make a comment that the town is working very diligently on many issues. We have a water supply that is decades old and we are just now at the point where we can move into short term financing and alleviate those EPA notices that you are receiving on a quarterly basis. The Town is trying to fix the problems in the past that still linger. There is an issue on St. Clair and Grove Street and unfortunately every time it rains the residents over there experience flooding and that is part again of the planning effort that went into how to deal with the rain water/storm water in the area. Just as we are talking about these conversations regarding solar and the importance of having everyone feed into what this town would like to have, it is the same kind of situation with these other local issues. They really need to be delved into, understood and then find the right solution to move forward so it doesn't linger for years on end.

Mr. Porter asked if the Town could take ownership of that at some point because of.....if you could take ownership of it, then do a bond or whatever, go to the people and ask if you want to use the money to clean up these places they say yes, you clean the property and you sell the property and use that money to pay the bond down. We can't, place after place, especially burned out places, abandoned, places that are caving in. Go to the people, if they say no, they say no. But have a plan in place. Invest in your community. This is not in our budget. It is an idea.

Mr. Holroyd asked if there were any pending lawsuits against the town from the Police Chief or the other officer about the firings?

Mr. Fuller stated there are no lawsuits.

Mr. Holroyd asked if the Town is going to prepare a lawsuit against them to try to get any funds returned?

Supervisor Giordano stated that he can't comment.

Mr. Holroyd asked if the Town Attorney would handle a case like that or would we get an outside law firm, to get back the inappropriations of funds.

Mr. Fuller stated that he can sue somebody if we needed to.

Mr. Porter stated that the cost of the attorney would out weight any monies that you would get back probably.

Mr. Holroyd again asked if our Attorney would handle that case.

Mr. Fuller stated that it is a town board call.

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Mr. Holroyd stated that there is a \$41,000.00 item in your police budget for a new vehicle for the dog, so that means that you are going to keep the dog and you are going to have the officer trained. Can you give the tax payers an estimate as to what that is going to cost.

Supervisor Giordano stated that we are looking to do localized training, so part of that is rolled into the cost of being paid by the hour for a normal work week and some of that cost would be of them working with another handler to learn the necessary skills.

Mr. Holroyd stated so he is not going away for five weeks and we do not going to have to use overtime and we are not going to have to get temporary help.

Supervisor Giordano stated that we have not discussed it exactly but his understanding is that we are going to try to do locally as much as possible.

Mr. Holroyd stated that in the event they have to go, you will let the tax payers know the cost.

Supervisor Giordano stated that is has already been factored in the budget so there is not an occurrence of any additional monies.

Mr. Holroyd asked what the reasoning is that we can't use the existing car for that dog. That was just purchased wasn't it.

Supervisor Giordano explained that there are four vehicles in the police department and two of them are 2010/2011 and two are recent purchases 2015/2016 so just like anyone else when you are at the end of life of a vehicle you have to get a new vehicle. So it just so happens that the K9 vehicle is past or getting close to its useful life. The K9 vehicle was not a new vehicle, it was an old one that was converted to suit the K9.

Mr. Holroyd asked if it would have been more cost efficient to have the dog just released to the state police.

Supervisor Giordano stated that it would reduce our budget not having the K9, but we have already invested in the dog considerably and this is something that we decided that we could use in our town.

Mr. Holroyd asked if the dog actually paid for itself since we have had it. Has he helped solve any of the dope problems around.

Supervisor Giordano stated that the dog has been used and has had some successes and will continue to have successes as we move forward. There is no department that generates a profit more than what it costs to operate it.

Mr. Holroyd asked if the board has thought about disbanding the police department?

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Supervisor Giordano stated that this board has thought about a lot of things in the last few hours and he is sure this is something that has been thought about and you know better than he does the discussions on that, but no it has not been discussed recently.

Mr. Holroyd stated that as you know there are many people against giving up Gooseneck water system. Could you give us a possible projected cost at the next water meeting or the board meeting of keeping the new water tank full by pump as opposed to the gravity system? Is there going to have to be a separate pump to pump the water to that tank.

Supervisor Giordano stated that it pressurizes the system. When the homeowners are using the water it is not pumping it up to the reservoir it is actually pumping into your house and when you stop or when you are sleeping that might be the time when it is actually pumping it up to the reservoir, it is not a 24 hour constant pump to the reservoir, it will be distributing it throughout the town.

Mr. Holroyd stated that some of the things that can possibly be done by still utilizing the system that is in place is as long as that water is UV'd you could use solar panels up there, for electricity, you could also in that water line possibly a hydroelectric pump seeing that water is continuously running through there. That would generate electricity too, so that can offset any cost because you have to decide what you are going to do up there. He is just giving you some suggestions to add into when you start your discussions of what you are going to do up there.

Supervisor Giordano explained that our discussions of what we are going to do with Gooseneck center around the population that utilizing Gooseneck and that area and until we have that conversation and figure out whether we can form a district and would the Town be proposing a solution....

Mr. Holroyd stated that this is why he is bringing this up tonight because you haven't started any..... but when you do start, think of all the viables that are up there. Don't just say it costs too much to repair, because anything could be put down on paper.

Department Heads

Chief LaVallie wanted to let the public know that we have two subjects in custody for the vehicles that had been gone through on Baldwin Road.

Report of Committees

Highway/Transfer Station - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

Ticonderoga Highway Meeting

09/28/17 8:00 AM

In attendance: Sal Barnao, John Deming, Joyce Cooper, Fred Hunsdon Sr, Dave Woods, Marla Kohaut, Doren Rockhill and Wayne Taylor Sr.

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- The meeting was opened with the pledge to our nation's flag.
- Marla Kohaut addressed the committee with a concern about the condition of her lawn on Caldwell Circle after recent road paving by the town highway crew. Sal offered to remedy the concern.
- Doren Rockhill addressed the committee requesting road access to Lot 3 at the Ticonderoga Industrial Park. He mentioned that a local business is wishing to expand and utilize the area. It was explained to Doren that this item had been raised in 2016 and was on the to do list for the town attorney. Wayne said that he would once again raise the issue and get it moving.
- Fred reported that the handicapped door opening button didn't work at the Armory on the ground floor. He also mentioned an issue with the lock in washroom. Dave said he would see to the correction of the problem.
- Dave reported on the efforts to stop the littering on the McCaughin Rd. He said that he thinks that if someone is caught littering that they should be required to clean the area for 1 year.
- Wayne offered food for thought that in other towns without transfer station charges, the towns tend to be much cleaner. These towns do not appear to have a litter problem like Ticonderoga. He spoke of Minerva where the transfer station tipping fee is waived and that the costs are built right into the tax levy. Makes for less clean up along the roads and much less enforcement efforts by the police and code enforcement. With a much cleaner town being the result.
- John Deming mentioned that the Soil and Water Service has a program that would allow for each residence to dispose of ten tires per year free of charge.
- Joyce Cooper mentioned her previous request to make Amherst Ave parking one side only. Wayne advised her that due to the fact that this may create hardship on the neighborhood that a petition requesting that this be done be circulated first. If there is sufficient interest then to hold a noticed public hearing on the matter. He also suggested contacting county highway to ask for a traffic safety engineer to review the matter as well. The recent request to enforce the parking rules on Lake George Ave at the Calkins Place intersection was also mentioned as an item for review by the engineer.
- Wayne said that he would ask Chief LaVallie to speak to the school officials about the parking situation. Sal will look into the installation of the appropriate signage to designate this no parking zone.
- Joyce Cooper advised the committee about the Main St Partnership's continuing efforts to maintain patron parking for local businesses. She and Ken Engler had researched the necessary signage to enforce the current 3 hr parking limit. She said that a sign needed to be installed every 200 ft and would have to be erected on its own support. They cannot be attached to utility poles as had been done in the past. Sal will be working at obtaining a suitable mount for the signs possibly utilizing the old parking meter bases.
- Wayne went over some issues from prior meetings to see if any follow up was necessary.
- The issue of drainage at St Clair and Grove Sts once again was raised. Sal reported that during recent heavy rain storms that the overflow was coming from the drainage

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basin at the former Lowes store. The committee felt that an engineered solution was going to be necessary as many stop gap measures have not worked and a long term comprehensive fix is warranted here. Wayne will bring the issue to the Town Board to see if the necessary resources can be acquired to address this. Wayne will see if any support is available from Essex County DPW engineers Todd Hodgson or Jim Dougan. If not then seek a quote from Cedar Ridge Engineering out of Warrensburg for their help. Storm water abatement is not an exclusive highway function and has to be taken as a town general charge.

- Recapped the recent request by Larry LaPann to install no parking signs on Timber Lane. John and Sal reported on the survey of the current road structures and how there has been much encroachment on the town's road right of way over the years. It was suggested that the no parking signs be installed and that the neighbors be advised of the encroachment.
- Sal reported that the line painting machine is in the 2018 Highway Budget and that if the current fund balance information is correct that he expects to retire some BAN and Bond debt in 2018.
- Sal reported that he expects one new tandem plow truck to be delivered today with the second one due by mid December. This will outfit the department well for the winter storm season.
- Sal reported of the recent hiring of a laborer to fill a recent retirement vacancy. He announced that Tanner Wright had been hired as a laborer to backfill the spot created by Joe Foote moving from laborer to the fifth MEO position spot.
- Sal reported that veteran operators Mitch Cole and Jarrod French will be operating the new tandem plow trucks. John Porter will be moving into the orange Western Star tandem and will be assuming Chilson Hill plow route this winter.
- Sal reported that the red 2007 Western Star will be declared surplus along with the Bellows sidewalk machine. He said that the white 2007 Western Star will be kept as a hot spare and outfitted for the NYS plow route.
- John Deming asked if Sal or anyone else had looked into the surplus equipment being offered from Fort Drum. Sal said that he had but that he did not find any equipment that the highway department could use.
- Sal reported that the department had acquired a couple of different areas for spoils dumping.
- Sal reported on the installation of light fixtures in the paved area by the Sugar and Spice Shop. One fixture was going to be ok but that the second proposed installation was questionable. He was going to do further research.
- Sal reported that the paving was done for 2017. He went on to say that the Beautification crew was working out well with 5 members with an occasional court assignment being a big help.
- Sal reported that it is his intention to utilize the Moriah Shock workers to clear the brush and debris on Lord Howe St.
- Sal reported how the town had missed out on baseline hearing testing offered by Essex County. The town will have to make its own arrangements to have baseline audiometric testing done for its employees.
- Sal is preparing a list of seasonal roads for the November meeting.

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- Meeting adjourned 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Taylor, 10/12/17

Resolution #293-2017 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to surplus the following items for auction: 2-JD x700 Riding Mowers, 1-Demco TRL mounted Tank Sprayer, 1-JD 755 Tractor w/bucket/mower/plow, 1-2011 International Dump Truck w/ plow & sander, 1-2008 Bellos sidewalk tractor/snow blower, 1-S/S sander - 1 ton Dump, 1-2006 Western Star Dump truck/plow/sander. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

This equipment will be auctioned off per the county contract with Auctions International.

The Town received a letter from Jim Wells,

In the interest of safety, I am asking the Ticonderoga Town Board to contact the NYS DOT and any other agencies to investigate reducing the speed limit from the traffic circle to the Ticonderoga Country Club (Route 9N south) from the existing 55 mph to 40 mph or lower. I would also suggest that this entire area be a no passing zone.

This entire area is a commercial area with many businesses with traffic entering and exiting. There is an especially high volume of traffic at the intersection of Alexandria Avenue with the Windchill on the corner. Jim Wells

Mrs. Thompson will look into this request. The State will review requests, but the Town has already requested this area to be reviewed and we would have to wait at least three years.

Public Safety - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

Public Safety Meeting
Minutes
9/25/2017

Committee Members Present: Chief LaVallie, Councilman Fred Hunsdon, Dave Woods, Bill Ball, Don Paige, Kortney Bessett
Chief Watts excused from this meeting

Guest: Supervisor Giordano, Sgt. Quesnel, K9 Tusko, Ptlm. Belden, Ptlm. Mascarenas, Ptlm. Ruby, Ptlm. Towne, Ptlm. Bush, Ptlm. Overbeek, Laura and Mark Wright, R. Towne Family and Friends and Chief LaVallie's family.

Councilman Fred Hunsdon started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and then turned it over to Chief LaVallie.

Chief LaVallie addressed the audience and did a special presentation.

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Sgt. Quesnel & K. Bessett did a special presentation.

(All guest left the meeting except for Sgt. Quesnel, Tusko, Supervisor Giordano, Laura Wright and Mark Wright.)

Councilman Hunsdon started the regular meeting and asked for any Public Participation. No Public Participation at this time.

Ticonderoga Police Department Report

Monthly Statistics – 301 calls for service (busy month)

Academy Update – Recruits are doing well. Weekly updates about what they are learning are posted on the Ticonderoga Police Department's Facebook page.

Speed Trailer Purchase – Chief LaVallie would like to make a recommendation to the Town Board to approve the purchase of the Stalker Speed Trailer. \$6500 is funded through grants and approximately \$2000 is still needed to complete the project. Chief LaVallie has expressed that there is a need for this equipment in Ticonderoga and it is something that the Town has expressed interest in. For the past couple of weeks the county has placed their speed trailer out by the Windchill, but that was only for a short time and is now gone. There was a short discussion on the specifics of the Stalker Trailer. A recommendation will be made by this committee to request that the Town Board approve this purchase.

Chief LaVallie commended The Ticonderoga Police Department's Facebook page. We have recently started putting some warrants out on the Facebook page and out of four warrants, two people came forward and turned themselves in.

Large Cases – Docks – arrest made, Graffiti Cases – arrest made (juveniles, names will not be released). We are currently working on two Rape Cases which are labor intensive.

Chief LaVallie praised the officers for all their hard work.

K9 Handler re-assignment – Sgt. Quesnel has accepted the position of K9 Handler. We are going to continue training with Sgt. Quesnel. Sgt. Quesnel and Tusko will both be trained in Patrol and Narcotics. Chief LaVallie would like to thank the Quesnel Family for their support in this decision.

163 Lord Howe Street – Any subjects that are located on this property besides the homeowner who is in jail, an arrest is to be made. Bill Ball stated that if she gets out she really shouldn't be at the property either. She has to get permission before entering that property. There was a discussion on more cleaning at that property. Laura Wright asked if there was any policies in place for people who are going to that property to clean, she is concerned that there are needles throughout that property that could be very hazardous to individuals. There was a discussion about talking to the health department for suggestions and about the needle disposal sites.

Chief LaVallie thanked Sergeant Quesnel for his assistance with the arrest that was made for an individual who was stealing from the Firehouse.

Ticonderoga Fire Department Report

Chief Watts was excused from this meeting, no report

Ticonderoga EMS Report

Nothing to report

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Codes Department

Bill Ball states that they have been working on the 911 numbering on some of the larger buildings. Mr. Ball states that he is getting some “kickback on some of them”

The owner of 172 Champlain Ave. has really been working on complying and he has 3 units almost complete. Two of them will be rented this week.

They are currently waiting for the asbestos survey done for the burned out building on Burgoyne Road. Mr. Ball states that he is shocked at the price for that survey which was \$10,000.

Mr. Ball would like to prosecute the Smith property on Lake George Ave. He would like to take this to the Supreme Court.

Laura Wright asked if there was anything going on with the glass that was broken on the store front. Mr. Ball states that he has left messages for the owner of the building. Mrs. Wright stated that she is concerned with the way that it is held up with a garbage bag and what happens if that blows away. It would be a huge gaping hole of glass and she is concerned with the safety of that. Mr. Ball states that a piece of plywood will probably need to be put up. Chief LaVallie also stated so everyone was aware there was an arrest made for this incident.

Laura Wright asked what the status of 172/174 Champlain Ave. is she isn't sure what the exact address is but the one that was a store front but now an apartment. There was a discussion on the zoning laws.

Supervisor Giordano asked Dave Woods about the CPR training that they discussed to be offered to all town employees. A time and date needs to be set up.

Councilman Hunsdon closed the meeting.

Next Public Safety Meeting will be held on Oct. 30, 2017 at 5:00pm in the basement of the Community Building.

Minutes prepared by Kortney Bessett – Records Clerk Ticonderoga Police Department

Resolution #294-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor authorizing the purchase of a speed trailer (\$6,500.00 grant) and \$1,948.00 Town Contribution. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #295-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dave Woods approving the purchase from State Contract of a new Patrol Vehicle (2017 Police Interceptor AWD) for \$37,087.68 with funds to come from Capital Reserve and unallocated Fund Balance. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #296-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Fred Hunsdon approving the purchase from State Contract a New K-9 vehicle (2017 Police Interceptor AWD) for \$41,291.14 with funds to come from unallocated Fund Balance. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Councilman Hunsdon explained a ceremony that was held at the last Public Safety meeting to present Ryan Towne with an honorary Police Officer Badge and Coat.

Mrs. Bessett, Records Clerk gave Chief LaVallie a commendation for all the work that he has done, because he is doing this job in addition to his regular full-time job. He is helping us out tremendously.

Supervisor Giordano mentioned that there are conversations of bringing back the investigator position at the police department. This would be a civil service position. There is one on the list and would be an internal promotion. Currently, we have two platoons and we would go back to a unified structure with a sergeant for administrative and a sergeant for investigating.

Human Services: Youth/Seniors - Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman

Ticonderoga Youth Commission
August 21st, 2017 – September 18th, 2017

Expenses			
Where	Amount (\$)	Details	Date
Wal-Mart	15.20	Scotchgard [Grant], tools	8/26/17
Wal-Mart	18.51	Whistles (x12)	9/11/17
Yard Sale	5.00	Coffee table [Grant]	9/13/17
Yard Sale	5.00	Train set, puzzles	9/17/17
Total:	43.71		

Notes:

- 1.) Staffing:
 - a. Jen Bush: still waiting on resignation letter
 - b. Paige Bailey: in sports
 - c. Brenda Martin: new adult hire, need drug test
 - d. Tanya Gijanto: new adult hire, need drug test
 - e. Taylor Bolton: offered job, has not accepted yet, waiting to hear back
 - f. Gayle/Stephen: on call only
- 2.) Tonya/Pam available this week (Friday?) to go over folder with the hires during a staff meeting?
- 3.) Opening Day is Tuesday, October 3rd.
- 4.) Any news on if we are getting access to the upstairs gym?
- 5.) The AED now resides by the stairwell, just past the bathrooms.
- 6.) Need to set a date for pumpkin carving and put down reservations for pumpkins.
 - a. Sat, October 21st? 10-noon?

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- 7.) Halloween dance? Advertisement, use of space form, ages? October 28th?
- 8.) Monday, October 30th, we will be having a Halloween bash. The kids can wear their costumes, have special snacks, play games, watch Halloween movies, and bop to the witch doctor.
- 9.) Armory will be closed for Halloween, October 31st, 2017.
- 10.) Any news about the soundproofing from the buildings and ground meeting this morning?

Submitted,

Cassie Potter 9/18/17

Youth
October 2017

After School Program: The program started Oct 3rd and is going very well. Attendance yesterday was 52 students. Cassie has done a beautiful job of setting up the room, some new furniture and re-arranging makes it all very welcoming. However, we are still in need of more staff, Ian and Cassie has picked out two from the list of applicants. There was not time to conduct interviews before this meeting, but Cassie has done a phone interview with each of the two following and I would like to make a motion to hire. Cassie suggests that they each work two days a week, this would fill in very nicely with our present staff. Respectfully submitted, Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman

Resolution #297-2017 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Wayne Taylor to offer employment to Joe LaPeter and Brett Moore as Activities Attendants, no benefits, part-time at a pay rate of \$12.00 an hour. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Seniors
October 2017

New Officers: The Senior Center has elected and installed new Officers as follows:

President: Les Bilow

Vice President: Dennis Hunsdon

Secretary: Sue Allen

Treasurer: Joyce Barry

An AARP Driving Course is scheduled for Friday, October 20th 9:00 - 4:00, unfortunately this course is full, so another will be scheduled for November, the date to be announced.

A third night meal has been scheduled for the ACAP meal site this month on October 26th. At this meal, the Office of the Aging will hold their Annual Public Hearing. Krissy Leerkes will be the speaker.

A new activity of Line Dancing was offered this past Wednesday at the Center. It was well attended and enjoyed. It may become a monthly activity.

Looking ahead to February 9, 2018, a Basket Raffle and bake sale will be combined with Open House and Membership Drive, mark you calendars.

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The next monthly meeting will be Wednesday, Oct 25. Guest Jennie Lou Gunning will entertain everyone with a dance and she and Gayle will also show the members an easy line dance that they can join in on. Respectfully submitted, Dorcey Crammond

Airport - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

No Meeting.

The Reil Light has been fixed, Credit Card machine has not been fixed, the gate has not been fixed, and we are working on filling in the ravine.

Next Meeting is November 8 at 8:30 a.m.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Recreation, Historical Lands, Beach, Monuments, Cemeteries
- Dave Woods, Councilman

- Funds have been found from private donations to have a porta-potty at the dog park starting in the spring through the entire summer months/care will be taken to screen it as to not offend the neighbors
- Two Signs saying Ticonderoga Dog Park will be placed on the fence
- Issues at the Armory - egress door by the kitchen, wiring exposed, sound proofing
- Railing will be installed at the ramp to the entrance of the Armory
- Blue prints at the Armory need to be stored
- Recycling and trash receptacles were discussed - we are purchasing 24
- Survey for the LaChute trail has been done and we will be looking for an engineering firm
- Grant was discussed for work at the Armory
- Discussed Bicentennial walks being a priority
- AC Electric will be working on electrical issues in the park

Resolution #298-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dave Woods to approve a consultant to perform an engineering/design study on how to connect the LaChute Trail to the existing Pedestrian Trestle Bridge. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESSEX COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR
COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH M.J.
ENGINEERING & LAND SURVEYING, P.C. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO
EXCEED \$17,000.00, FOR ENGINEERING AND DRAFT FINAL DESIGN
SERVICES, FOR THE LACHUTE RIVER TRAIL STUDY (COMPONENT #8 OF
NYS DEPT. OF STATE GRANT C1000522 - ESSEX CO. WATERFRONT
IMPROVEMENTS) IN THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Giordano, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of Essex County, with the approval of the Town of Ticonderoga Town Council, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ticonderoga Town Council hereby authorizes a contract between Essex County and M.J Engineering & Land Surveying, P.C., in an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00, for engineering and design services including Site Reconnaissance, Schematic Design, one Public Meeting, Construction Analysis, and Draft Final Design.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Essex County Chairman or County Manager are hereby authorized to execute a contract for the above referenced.

This resolution was duly seconded by Dave Woods, and adopted, upon a roll- call vote as follows:

AYES: 5
NAYES: 0
ABSENT: 0

Resolution #299-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Wayne Taylor granting the use of the 2nd floor space in the 1888 Building to the Heritage Museum for further development into a youth cultural learning center. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

TMSP - received a \$15,000 main street grant to install three light fixtures and two of them will be placed in front of Sugar and Spice along with two trees. In conversation with the landscaper and TMSP and PRIDE - it was decided that the planned asphalt that was going to be laid was not appropriate. There is money left in our Building and Grounds along with the remaining money from this grant to put actual pavers in.

Resolution #300-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to cover the remaining cost after use of grant funding to install brick work in the area of Sugar & Spice. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Economic Development - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
No meeting

Public Works - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

**Town of Ticonderoga
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2017 – 9:30 am**

Present: Supervisor Giordano, Derrick Fleury, Tracy Smith, Matt Fuller (*Town Attorney*), Nancy LaVallie

Excused: Wayne Taylor, Sr.

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Others: Fred Hunsdon, Sr., Dick Holroyd, Jennifer Weeks (*AES*), Brad Noviski (*AES*),
Greg Swart (*AES*), Susan Kennedy (*NYS DOH*), Marlene Martin (*NYS DOH*)

Pledge

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

Items for discussion:

1. Properties currently charged .25 for water and sewer use
 - a. 93 The Portage, 9 Abercrombie and 9 Wiley Street
 - i. The properties are in the Village District and will be closing soon with new owners.
 1. The Committee recommends to the Town Board to increase the water and sewer charges to one full rate for each. The Town Board will address the properties at the October meeting.
2. Parkview at Ticonderoga LLC
 - a. The company owns vacant parcels and a model home on Cannonball Path.
 - i. A resident on Cannonball Path had inquired if the company was being charged for water and sewer.
 - ii. Upon initial review it was believed that they were not being charged, and the topic was placed on the Water and Sewer Committee Meeting agenda to be addressed. After further review, it was discovered that the company is being charged for both water and sewer.
 - i. No further action is required.
3. Status of FEMA time extension request for PW# 6009
 - a. Supervisor Giordano has not yet received a response from FEMA in regard to the current time extension that had been submitted.
 - i. Greg did receive an email from Harry Gough stating that it will take a while for the Town to receive the new Bluebook for the project.
4. Hague Road Pump Station
 - a. Greg stated that there is a crew on site today, and asked what next steps the Town would like to take.
 - i. Derrick would like to have the emergency fixes done, and would like to find a funding source first to finish the rest of the work.

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5. Rick Johndrow, 1625 NYS Route 9N
 - a. Greg will follow up with Mr. Johndrow in regard to his concerns over his well, and will report back to the Committee.
6. Number of phone lines needed for the new well building
 - a. Greg addressed the Committee in regard to the new well building and the number of phone lines that would be needed. However, Bill Ball will need to be involved with the decision as well.
 - i. There is the option to have a dedicated line for a fire system, but there would be an additional cost. There is already one line for the SCADA system, which can also dial out to emergency services.
 - ii. The Committee does not feel a dedicated line for a fire system would be necessary, but will talk with Bill Ball about it first before a final decision is made.

Water and Wastewater Superintendent Report - *Derrick Fleury*

1. Gayle Leather – Burgoyne Road
 - a. Derrick has placed a pressure monitor on the water line, and will discuss the results with Todd once he is available.
2. Land spreading permit
 - a. The renewal application needs to be sent in six months prior to its expiration date of April 30, 2018.
 - i. Matt will assist with updating the application, and Derrick and Tracy will submit the information.

Chief Plant Operator Report – *Tracy Smith*

2. WQIP project
 - a. Tracy asked Jen and Greg about placing diffusers in the aeration basins.
 - i. Jen responded that if there are funds available, that is on the list of things to be considered.
 - b. Tracy inquired about the need to have an inspector on site when there isn't much going on with the project at this time.
 - i. Greg will add the topic to the construction meetings, and a determination on when an inspector is needed will be addressed.

Attorney's Report – *Matt Fuller*

1. DOJ response is due by Friday and further discussion will take place after the meeting.

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Engineer's Report

1. GIGP
 - a. AES will add detail to the current report with updated costs, time estimates and protocols for handling the environmental findings, and send it to the Town and Matt for review prior to submission to the DEC.
 - i. Further discussion will take place after the meeting.
2. Well Control Building
 - a. Greg has progress prints to look over for the Well Control Building, and Brad has prepared a hand out with a summary of dates.
 - i. The building's location has been decided, and the project is in good shape and on track with the design schedule.
3. Chilson Tanks
 - a. The site is all set, and AES is getting details from the tank manufacturer and plans should be ready soon.
4. SPRTK Grant
 - a. The grant was briefly discussed and Chattie had a few questions in regard to documenting the Towns matching funds.
 - i. Brad commented that Rob will assist with reporting on the grant, and Derrick and Tracy will also connect with Rob so they know how to track their time.
 - ii. Greg will check on the MWBE component for the Town.

Public Comment

1. Dick Holroyd
 - a. Dick inquired about the digging of test wells along Street road, and if a production well has been located.
 - i. The Committee commented that the Town was successful in locating an exceptionally high production primary well-site in 2014 capable producing twice the maximum daily water demand for Ticonderoga. To meet drinking water standards, a second well must be located which is capable of exceeding the designed maximum daily demand if the primary well is out of service. The digging along Street road is the Town's efforts to locate that second well source.

Adjourn

Supervisor Giordano adjourned the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting at 11:30 am.

The next Water/Sewer Committee Meeting is set for Tuesday, October 31st at 9:30 am.

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Resolution #301-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Wayne Taylor to change the water/sewer assessment record for 93 The Portage, 9 Abercrombie, and 9 Wiley Street to reflect a 1 EDU charge. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Presentation from Greg Swart - AES

Discussion was held on where we are in the process and funding vs. costs.

Mr. Fuller explained that given our current grant funding for water and sewer projects we do need to look into our numbers, we need to re-evaluate. Our money to borrow may now be less. We are capped on what we are spending (14 million) so we can't add to the project but may have to borrow less money.

Mr. Swart agreed and in the next few weeks we should have better numbers of where we are, but we are within the overall water project.

Councilman Taylor asked about the Abercrombie tank.

Mr. Swart noted that this project is on the 'wish list'.

Resolution #302-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano authorizing Lane Christensen Company to develop a large diameter test well at S-6 and S-7 as a back-up. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Mr. Swart explained that the original well is a 20" diameter well, S-6 will also be a 20" diameter well, the third well will likely be much smaller than that as we will not be looking for as much water.

Councilman Taylor inquired if we are still monitoring levels, there has been some complaints about filters.

Mrs. Swart stated yes, we need to appropriate a couple things into our project to insure that there is nothing that happens to neighboring wells. We will be doing more monitoring at the next phase.

Mr. Swart also wanted to mention that his firm has looked into the problem at the St. Clair Street area and there were some options. He will send the information back to the committee.

Town of Ticonderoga Water System Evaluation

- October 12, 2017 Town Board Meeting



Town of Ticonderoga

Status: Well Source

- Small diameter test well drilling complete.
- Time to move to large diameter test well.
 - Location S-6
 - Provisions for 3rd well, S-7
- Design Prints nearing completion: Submission for review early November.
- Action Item:
 - Authorize large diameter test well (Lane under contract) at S-6 and S-7 as backup **Tonight**.

Town of Ticonderoga

Status: Well Source



Town of Ticonderoga

Status: Water Transmission Mains

- Water main from well source to the entrance to the commerce park.
 - 2700' completed in 2016
 - Design Nearing Completion: Submission early November
 - Partially funded with FEMA money
- Action Item: Nothing at this time, team working on FEMA paperwork

Town of Ticonderoga

Status: Chilson Water Tank

- Water storage tank to replace Chilson Reservoir
 - One tank near Fish & Game Club
 - Connecting to water main installed via FEMA funding in 2016
 - Design Nearing Completion: Submission early November
- Action Item: None at this time

Town of Ticonderoga

Status: Baldwin Road Filter Plant

- Work to retrofit filter internals to address existing SWTR violation associated with septum breakage.
 - Currently working on pilot study to determine best filter retrofit materials
 - Pilot study will help determine final repair scope.
 - Pilot study limited to internal filter retrofit.
- Action Item: None at this time

Town of Ticonderoga Cost Update

WELL INVESTIGATION/TESTING

Original plan: 3-test wells

Revised plan: 4-additional test wells

Layne Christensen			
Activity	Original Estimate	To Date	Delta Increase
Small Diameter Test Wells	\$ 69,800.00	\$131,118.00 (Final)	\$61,318.00
Large Diameter TestWell	\$284,810.00	\$0.0	NA
HydroSource			
Activity	Original Estimate	To Date	Delta Increase
Professional Services	\$ 134,850.00	\$69,804.18	\$0.00

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Multi-Use Building - Wayne Taylor, Councilman**

Questionnaire for the Public Education campaign has been sent out - and need to be compiled. Will need to look into the contractual obligations. Planning some committee meetings.

Health Insurance - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

Rate increase for next year is 8.2%. We are no longer experience rated but Community Rated, this allows us to offer multiple plans.

Contract Negotiations - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

We have held the 2nd of two police negotiations - we have come up with a tentative contract and will update the board further.

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

Looking into more broadband to the more rural areas.

Resolutions for Consideration

Resolution #303-2017 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Joseph Giordano to accept the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on September 14, 2017. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Fred Hunsdon - Abstain. **Carried.**

Resolution #304-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to accept the minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting held on September 21, 2017 and the Monthly Financial Meeting on September 28, 2017. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #305-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to accept the minutes from the Informational Airport meeting held on August 24, 2017. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** - none. Wayne Taylor - Abstain, Dave Woods - Abstain. **Carried.**

Resolution #306-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Wayne Taylor to reschedule the November Financial Meeting to November 30, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #307-2017 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Wayne Taylor to schedule Budget Workshops with any other lawful business on October 18, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. and October 25, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Resolution #308-2017 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Joseph Giordano to advertise for a part-time janitorial position - no benefits. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #310-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano to advertise the annual gas/diesel/propane bid for the Town's fuel. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #311-2017 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to pay Abstract #10-2017. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Abstract	Board Meeting Date 10/12/17	
9/15/2017	Gross Payroll PP#19	\$94,038.70
9/29/2017	Gross Payroll PP#20	\$87,603.02

10/12/2017	General (A)	\$107,191.07
	CD21 LISC Zombie	
	Highway (DA)	\$160,313.66
	H17 - C/P Ticonderoga Airport	\$22,371.95
	H36 - C/P Chilson Res. Replacement	\$182,070.39
	H45 - C/P Equipment Purchase	\$84,105.00
	H49 - GIGP Daylight Streaming	\$660.00
	H50 - C/P WQIP WWTP Disinfection	\$53,208.78
	H53 - Clean Water Main Project	
	H54 - LaChute Signage Grant	
	H49 - GIGP Daylight Streaming	
	H55 - DASNY/SAM Grant Comm.Bldg.	\$40,121.65
	H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know	\$2,060.00
	Claymore Sewer District (SS01)	\$50.98
	Park Ave Sewer District (SS02)	\$31.72
	Alex Ave Sewer District (SS03)	\$48.07
	Homelands Sewer Dist (SS04)	\$239.81
	Central Sewer (SS05)	\$35,635.73
	Commerce Park Sewer (SS06)	\$1,143.26

	Delano Point Sewer (SS07)	\$10,515.52
	Baldwin Road Sewer Dist (SS08)	\$99.77
	Black Point Road Sewer (SS09)	\$6,544.32
	Hague Road Sewer (SS10)	\$1,229.06
	9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)	\$3,641.16
	9N & 74 Water (SW01)	\$13,124.50
	Street Road Water (SW02)	\$5,665.88
	Alex Avenue I Water District (SW03)	\$5,208.00
	Homelands Water District (SW04)	\$2,064.60
	Alex Ave II Water District (SW05)	\$8,063.10
	Central Water (SW06)	\$17,136.97
	Park Ave Water Dist (SW07)	\$6,133.35
	Shore Airport Water (SW09)	\$17,458.39
	Multi Account Total	\$786,136.69

\$967,778.41

Resolution #312-2017 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Joseph Giordano authorizing conveyance to Essex County Industrial Development Agency. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Seconded by Joseph Giordano

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE TO ESSEX COUNTY
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Essex County Industrial Development Agency (the “IDA”) conveyed to the Town certain real property identified in a deed recorded in the Essex County Clerk’s Office in book 1280 at page 233; and

WHEREAS, the IDA has approached the Town about conveying a certain portion of said lands identified in the outline on the map attached hereto, and also as described in a deed drafted by counsel to the Town and submitted with this resolution, back to the IDA for IDA project purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Town has reviewed such request and finds that such property is not needed by the Town, but for a reservation of water and sewer and other utility easements, and does wish to convey said portion back to the IDA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law §64 and General Municipal Law §858, the Town is authorized to convey said property and the IDA is authorized to accept same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves of the conveyance of the portion of the lands identified on the attached map, and also as described in a deed drafted by counsel to the Town and submitted with this resolution, to the IDA subject to the terms of said deed; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents and to take such other and further action as he deems necessary to carry out the terms of this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

<u>Voting:</u>	<u>Ayes:</u>	<u>Nays:</u>	<u>Abstain:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Joseph Giordano , Supervisor	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Wayne Taylor , Councilman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Dorcey Crammond , Councilwoman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Fred Hunsdon , Councilman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
David Woods , Councilman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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We need to set a public hearing for next month if the Town would like to pass a local law to amend the existing Veterans Exemption Law to remove any implication of a 10 year limit. There was a 10 year limit on the exemption and a local law needs to be adopted 90 days before March 1st.

Resolution #313-2017 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Dave Woods to schedule a public hearing to amend the existing Veterans Exemption Law for November 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorsey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

It was brought up at the county that there will be a Ballot Proposition #3 on this elections ballot, it is to eliminate some of the time consuming process that goes on with in the Adirondack Park in the North Country for necessary road maintenance and utility installation. It is his understanding that there is a land account of so much acreage that would be used in swapping to make it easier to utilize the easements along those roads and having those projects done more timely.

Resolution #314-2017 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Joseph Giordano to support the creation of a land account to address specific public health and safety concerns for use by Towns, Villages, and Counties having no viable alternative other than using forest preserve land. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorsey Crammond - Aye, Dave Woods - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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

**Resolution No. _314_ of 2017
Adopted October 12, 2017
Introduced by Wayne Taylor
who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Joseph Giordano**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATEWIDE BALLOT PROPOSAL NUMBER #3
THAT WILL CREATE A LAND ACCOUNT TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC PUBLIC
HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS FOR USE BY TOWNS, VILLAGES, AND
COUNTIES HAVING NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE OTHER THAN USING
FOREST PRESERVE LAND.**

WHEREAS, the State Forest Preserve lands, in many instances, border local and state highways where local government needs to use a portion of that land to straighten a dangerous road, replace a culvert to prevent floods, create a safer bike path, drill a water supply well or install broadband and other critical infrastructure, and

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WHEREAS, the proposed Amendment will create a land account with up to 250 acres of Forest Preserve land eligible for use by towns, villages, and counties that have no viable alternative to using Forest Preserve land to address specific public health or safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, as in exchange for the land removed from the Forest Preserve, another 250 acres of land, will be added to the Forest Preserve, subject to Legislative approval, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Amendment also will allow bicycle trails and certain public utility lines to be located within the width of specified highways that cross the Forest Preserve while minimizing removal of trees and vegetation.

WHEREAS, the State Constitution has been amended to allow such projects in the past requiring approval by two separately elected state legislatures and a statewide referendum, and

WHEREAS, there exists currently a NYS DOT Landbank for State Road projects which has a long standing track record of success, and

WHEREAS, If approved by voters, Ballot Proposition #3 would eliminate the time-consuming and costly bureaucratic process for completing important road maintenance, utility installation and bicycle path creation projects in the Adirondacks and Catskills , a process not faced by communities in any other part of the state, and

WHEREAS, the Amendment has wide bi-partisan support from local governments, environmental protection organizations, business groups, recreational enthusiasts and others for two simple reasons: It's for the public good and it's rooted in plain old common-sense, and

WHEREAS, this Amendment represents the best possible solution to long standing or continuing issues, which local Government leaders have worked for many years to resolve, and

WHEREAS, Ballot Proposal #3 warrants the support of the voters of New York State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Ticonderoga Town Board does hereby support Ballot Proposal Number #3, which is deemed critically important to our communities, the Forest Preserve, the environment, and the People of the State of New York; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution shall forward NYSAC, Adirondack Inter-County, Western Inter-County, and all 16 Counties of the Adirondacks and Catskills.

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Joseph Giordano, Supervisor	Aye
Wayne Taylor, Councilman	Aye
Fred Hunsdon, Councilman	Aye
Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman	Aye
Dave Woods, Councilman	Aye

SEAL

Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Public Comment

Mark Wright would like to bring something to the board's attention, this is concerning the southeast corner of Montcalm Street and Champlain Avenue - the Sunoco service station. Vehicles are parking on the sidewalk on both corners obstructing pedestrian traffic. Not only is this a potential public safety issue to people walking out in front of vehicles and getting hit by cars coming in and out of the station but it is on a main street that is pretty predominant and it looks like a big parking lot basically. Just bringing it to your attention. He does not know if there is a vehicular law that prohibits these cars parking on public sidewalks, he would think there would be. This is a safety hazard.

Chief LaVallie stated that we can have a conversation with the business owner.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

AGENDA
As of 11/6/2017 5:16 AM

Pledge to the Flag

Opening Remarks -- Announcements:

PD Comment Card (Officer Mawn)

Town of Ticonderoga Awarded Round 3 Infrastructure Grant Funding

\$2,879,104 for Clean Water Improvement Project

\$1,000,000 for Drinking Water Supply Project

Board of Health – no report

Presentations

Danielle O'Mara – Tobacco-Free : Clinton, Franklin, Essex

Public Hearing

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- To Amend Local Law #1 of 2011 (open)
- To amend the Town's Local Ordinance regarding Solar
- on Local Law to override the Tax Cap

Public Comment – Please Stand and State Your Name (time limit 2-3 minutes)

Department Heads

Committee reports:

Highway / Transfer Station WT

Public Safety FH

RESOLUTION to approve the purchase of a speed trailer (\$6500 grant) and
\$1948 Town contribution

RESOLUTION to approve the purchase of a new Patrol vehicle (2017 Police
Interceptor AWD) for \$27,087.68 with funds to come from Capital Reserve and
unallocated Fund Balance

RESOLUTION to approve the purchase of a new K-9 vehicle (2017 Police
Interceptor AWD) for \$41,291.14 with funds to come from unallocated Fund
Balance

Human Services: Youth/Seniors DC

RESOLUTION to offer employment to Joseph LaPeter as an Activities Attendant
at the pay rate of \$12 per hour

Airport FH

Building Grounds Parks Rec Library DW

RESOLUTION to approve of a consultant to perform an engineering/design study
on how to connect the LaChute Trail to the existing Pedestrian Trestle Bridge

RESOLUTION to grant use of the 2nd floor space in the 1888 Building to the
Heritage Museum for further development into a youth cultural learning center

Economic Development JG

Public Works JG

RESOLUTION to change the water/sewer assessment record for 93 The Portage,
9 Abercrombie, and
9 Wiley Street to reflect a 1 EDU charge

Multi Use Building Committee WT

Health Insurance JG

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga Town Board meeting held on October 13, 2017
commencing at 6:00 p.m. with Public Hearings regarding Solar Installation in the
Town, LL #1 of 2011 regarding Residential in the Commercial Zone and also the
Consideration of a LL Overriding the Tax Cap.**

Contract negotiations JG

I.T. / Cable T.V. JG

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION to accept/correct minutes of Regular TB Meeting of September 14, 2017

RESOLUTION to accept/correct minutes of TB Special Meeting of September 21, 2017 and the TB Financial Meeting of September 28, 2017

RESOLUTION to reschedule November TB Financial Meeting to November 30th at 1pm

RESOLUTION to schedule Budget Workshop #2 on Wednesday October 18th at 9am and Budget Workshop #3 on Tuesday October 24th at 9am

RESOLUTION to advertise for the position of part-time custodian

RESOLUTION to advertise for the position of full-time wastewater operator

RESOLUTION to advertise for bids for the Town's gas, diesel, propane use

RESOLUTION to pay the Abstract

Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Attorney, Matt Fuller

Public Comment – Please Stand and State Your Name

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting