

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga Town Board meeting held on  
March 10, 2022, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

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

**Absent:** Tom Thatcher, Councilman

**Others:** Heath Towne, Tim Rowland, Mary Holroyd, Debbie & Jack Mulcahy, Terry Smith, Bruce Bruce, Donna Wotton, Jon Hanna, Jackie Fiore, Don & Marie Gijanto, Tammy & Jerry Smith, Dennis & Candy Towne, Dan & Kathy Blanchette, Megan Bambara, Nathan Belanger, Randy LaPann, Bill Grinnell, Marge Cross, Deanna DiPofi, Larry Perry, Dave Iuliano, Julie Trombley, Greg Swart, Chief Hurlburt and others.

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

**Presentations**

Terry Smith explained that about a year ago he was told about the Tower and Beacon that stands on the Ticonderoga Paper Mill property. This tower is very important to America and it is very important to Ticonderoga's history. The mill would like to take down and deliver the tower and beacon but want to do this when the ground is frozen. He has a proposal that he presented tonight to the board, he understands that no one has read it, so he asks that we do that between now and the next meeting. He is asking for permission for the mill to take this down and to bring it on to the property, just lay it down on its side on the property. Once we get permission, then we can erect it. If we don't do that then we will have to wait until middle of summer or even longer. We could also miss out on the opportunity of getting the tower. This tower is very similar if not identical to the one that is in the Smithsonian Institute, so it is important. You have that proposal in front of you, in 1939 the Federal Government developed and constructed an airport with a tower and auxiliary field during WW II, International Paper bought the land to build a new paper mill and the airport was located where it is now. IP, now Sylvamo, has offered to move the tower at no charge to the town. Once it is on the property, we will have the time to pour the footings, complete the paperwork from the APA, the FAA and after all of these are checked out, we will be able to put the tower up. From what he has seen so far, he has checked with the APA and have had people on the airport committee look into the FAA and what all of those requirements are. He doesn't see any problems at all and more than likely we will be able to put it up. Once it is up, he would like to see a plaque on it and he would like to see a little shed on its side which is similar to the shed that once sat on the side of it where they had the original airport back in the 1930's, 40's and 50's. Other people that fly in and out of the airport right now remember flying in and out of the original airport. Tonight, he is asking permission for the paper mill to bring it on to our property.

Supervisor Wright noted that one of the things he sees in the summary is there are contingencies. Some of those contingencies include that you get all of the federal administration requirements satisfied, all the Adirondack Park Agency requirements need to be satisfied, all Town of

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Ticonderoga insurance liability requirements are satisfied and any other requirements that are deemed necessary by the Town of Ticonderoga or any other required agency in addition to those mentioned are satisfied and also for the board's information here, if there for any reason any necessary requirements are not satisfied, which precludes the acceptance of the Tower by the Town of Ticonderoga and installation of the Tower begins, this group will remove any and all hardware and materials from the Town property at their expense and turn the affected property into its original state. There is a phase in here between when Sylvamo can remove the tower and move it when they get permission from the Town. So, you are looking for permission to store it on the property with the condition that you will remove it if everything falls apart.

Mr. Smith agreed. There will be no problem removing it, he will have no problem removing it. Say we don't get the permission; he will take it. He has talked with Macy museum and they say the Tower itself is worth 15 and 20 thousand dollars, they are out of Maryland and he has talked to Beacon and Tower, they are out of Tuscan, Arizona and they said the beacon itself is worth between 5 and 8 thousand dollars, so he doesn't think he will have any trouble at all removing it, if we don't want it. If we decide we don't want it on our property. He can guarantee it can get moved off if we don't get the permission. Like he said, there are very few here in the United States, most of them have been taken down, some of them were in the middle of desserts and things like that, he found three, four, five or six that are in museums now and like he said the Smithsonian has one that is identical to ours. Of course, theirs is a lot shorter than what we are going to do, we are going to go probably 30 feet up. Being 30 feet up then the APA really doesn't care as long as it is not over 40 and as far as the FAA goes, we had a couple of pilots look into this and they said there should be no problem. We really do not even need to report it to the FAA because it is going to be so short. We will report it so they know it is there, we will report it to the APA so they know it is there, the other thing that people are worried about is the safety of it. He has heard, been told that we really don't need a fence around it, but it is a tower and it has a ladder on it. If we take the ladder off from it, the kids will have trouble climbing it. He doesn't want to take the ladder off, but we probably should take the ladder off. Anyhow, even though we don't need a fence, we are going to put a fence around it for extra security.

Supervisor Wright stated that we will look at this proposal, will the committee be coming forward with its recommendations for it. How will you handle that?

Mr. Smith stated that he should have asked at the last committee meeting for a formal commitment, but he didn't. Right now, he does not know if anyone on the committee is against this. He has talked with people and they are all for it, as far as where it will be put, we have been checking into this with the FAA.

Jon Hanna is a pilot with a plane at the airport with hanger space. He feels that this tower is a nice asset for the Town as a historical piece. Everyone that he has talked to on the committee has been in favor of this. As Mr. Smith said, we don't have to notify the APA or the FAA because we are lowering the Tower down below any height restrictions.

Supervisor Wright again noted that the board will look at the proposal and get back to you.

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Opening Remarks

Corona virus update – Essex County Health Department is following the NYS Dept. of Health and CDC guidance to ensure everyone is safe. The numbers are coming down.

Broadband update – we encourage everyone to take the broadband survey, there is a link on the home page of the Town's website. This is part of what we need to get data to get broadband to more residents in the county and in the towns.

Childcare Survey – there is a survey on the Town's home page of its website, again this is a critical part of increasing our economic development, we have several cases where people have left the Town because they do not have any childcare. This is a serious issue in the Town and encourage everyone to take the survey if they have children and childcare issues.

Public Comment

Donna Wotton thanked the board and noted that you can go on the Town's website and the Ti Alliance Facebook page or website. If any of you have families that need childcare or even have childcare now that is good, we want to know about that so that we can see if we can help to solve the childcare problem that we have here, so we encourage everybody to take the survey and encourage the families and extended family and friends to do so too. The only other thing that she would like to talk about today was to see if the board could potentially take a look at downtown signage about parking. We have had several people working at Ti Works as well as a couple of other visitors and stuff who have either gotten tickets or notices that they are in violation of parking downtown and there is no signage downtown. Apparently, there is some outside of town, like as you come in on either end of Town, but nothing that says there are any restrictions downtown and one of the people that was working at Ti Works had to go and fight their ticket and there were 4 other people that were there who's tickets also got dismissed so it is pretty much a waste of all of their time, of the judges time if it is not really enforceable or understandable by people who visit or work here then she thinks we could probably use some signage downtown to say just where that parking limit is.

Supervisor Wright asked if it was a parking violation or other vehicular violation?

Ms. Wotton stated that it was a parking violation.

Councilman Woods asked if it was during a snowstorm – answer was no.

Councilwoman Cooper asked if it was an overnight? (one was overnight and the others were not) The overnight parking ban is posted on every entrance to the town.

Ms. Wotton stated that unless you went and looked for that, they would have no idea and those signs are on either end of the town, but you are driving into town and are parking downtown, you look for a sign where you are actually parking. So, the signs exist, but having a couple more made and attaching them to some posts downtown probably wouldn't be a bad idea. It is just a suggestion, keep from wasting everybody's time at the court level.

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Chilson/Eagle Lake Discussion

Supervisor Wright understands that there are a lot of people here tonight that would like to present some information regarding Chilson/Eagle Lake water issue. He doesn't need to tell anyone that this issue goes back quite some time, back to the 90's. The board is certainly open to hearing any new information that you want to bring tonight. Time will be limited, so he encourages you to focus on your main points that you would like to make tonight. He is a big proponent of communication, but he will remind you that we do have some town business that we need to also do this evening. We are more than willing to entertain a special meeting and meeting time to discuss this in more detail so you have the opportunity to present all of your information, you deserve the time to do that. He has placed a placeholder on the agenda tonight to make a resolution to set a such a meeting up. He was looking at March 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and we will finalize that at the end of our meeting. One thing that he would like to say, the comments about what was done or what was not done in the past have no place in this discussion and no place for any further discussion, that does not move us forward to a solution. So, he is asking that you please refrain from that. The town has applied for funding and met with various state and federal officials regarding the solutions for this issue in addition to discussing the options we have also sought help from those officials to gain funding to make options viable. The county was notified from the DOH that we are eligible for a drinking water state revolving fund in the amount of 3 million dollars of interest free financing and 5.3 million dollars for 40 years. The Town has made a promise to the residents to seek out funding and this is one benefit of that work. It is only a first step, but it is a step forward. The Town has encouraged residents and continues to encourage residents to contact their legislative officials regarding this matter, however, he will share with you all that we have been informed that some representatives have received conflicting information regarding the claims that the Town has not been forthright or truthful with those representatives. Communicating with our elected officials is great, however, communicating from a position of division or even the perception of division impairs the Town's ability to secure the confidence of these officials. It impacts the abilities to secure any support including financial support and weakens the ability for us to help you. We all have to be on the same page here. He worked with the Federal Government for 35 years and he can tell you that when officials are presented with conflicting information and evidence of non-solidarity or confusion among the petitioning party, they are going to be less likely to become associated with the effort or risk any involvement. So, he strongly encourages everyone begin to work together on this. With that we welcome you comments but the time will be limited.

Deanna DiPofi owns property in Eagle Lake and she has come here tonight, she has become the voice of the Eagle Lake and the Chilson Hill district – the affected water users and we are here and we are hoping that you still are looking at Gooseneck water, Gooseneck Pond as a water supply. For over 100 years it has been a very viable and clean source. It is forever flowing and it continues to flow down the mountain and we all know that water is gravity fed. We don't pump water uphill. We, the people of Chilson Hill and Eagle Lake are very aware of what the requirements are from the DOH and what they have demanded from the Town of Ticonderoga for many years and it hasn't been addressed. A couple of the issues were the covering of the Reservoir, we have a solution for that. Provide the users with adequate filtration or treatment to ensure that we have safe drinking water and maintain the dam at Gooseneck Pond, we have a solution for that. With that being said, the residents at this time are not willing to entertain a

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water district as proposed by the town. We would really like the Town to take a look at our option that we are going to present so we can keep this water flowing from Gooseneck Pond. So how do we solve this, she knows you guys are really wondering that right?

Supervisor Wright again stated that we are willing to listening to any solution you may have.

Ms. DiPofi stated that this is actually quite simple. She has formed a group and as you can see, how many people have you ever seen at a Town Board meeting? This was her, and she lives 100 miles away. This people came for her and they came for their neighbors, they want answers just like she does. The MPR that was proposed, that was, when you did that AES, the main purpose of that was the investigation of forming a water district, the MPR that was put in is cost prohibited, some people can't afford it, some people can't drill wells, some people are going to be without water, some people have put in notices to you that said, I am putting in my written notice that says, I will be providing my own water source. That fell on deaf ears. We were told....

Supervisor Wright interrupted to say we are not going to talk about the past here, if you have a proposal.....

Ms. DiPofi stated that she does and she still has some time in this and this all ties in together, this is all with the MPR.....

Supervisor Wright again stated that we are not going to re-hash the past.... If you have something

Ms. DiPofi stated that she is trying to present.....at some point common sense has to be used, at some point we have to stop throwing good money at bad. We have to start looking at another option. They looked at three options, we tried back in 2020 up at Chilson Hill Fire Department and she doesn't know how many of you (the audience) were there, but she knows she was there and she presented an option and it fell on deaf ears, no one even wanted to touch it. So, what she has done, she has been speaking to residents of Eagle Lake and Chilson Hill and they are here tonight. She had discussions with Bill Grinnell, a previous Supervisor who is knowledgeable in engineering, building contracting and what she discussed with him is exactly what he thinks should be done. So, he will present what our proposal is to you tonight. Bill please present, she noted that she is not an engineer.

Bill Grinnell stated that he is not an engineer either, but he has been fortunate enough in his career as a builder to work with some good ones. Some of the best ones he worked with were engineers for the Town of Ticonderoga, Todd Hodgson and Jim Dougan, part of AES when he was in office were very sharp young men. When we were discussing the Eagle Lake/Gooseneck/Lake George/Well situation at different times, one option that was discussed has disappeared from everything that is being discussed today, was very highly thought of and he will bring this up in two or three different scenarios where it could be used. The process is ultraviolet purification. Cost wise, it is cost effective or more cost effective than any other purifications system by far. One option for Eagle Lake would be to put a small household unit size in each of the affected people in that area. You can do that for a fraction of the cost of what

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is proposed in the Town's plan to get them water and they will have cleaner water, more pure water, without chemicals, without hardness, 18 grades of hardness in your current local supply, that is ridiculous, nobody can say anything other than the fact that that water is barely suitable for consumption, saying nothing about what it will do to the equipment and anything with a solenoid valve. A better option from his point of view, ok, the only reason he ever ran for office of this town was because of the well situation. He doesn't believe the well should be used for anything other than backup. You have two of the greatest water sources in NYS if not the whole country in Lake George and Gooseneck. There was a preliminary study being done on Lake George to use canister type filters for the turbidity issues and he doesn't know where that...the preliminary results were most favorable. We went to different communities, Granville, Whitehall and others to see how they were working out with their use of the cannisters, they are less expensive than the DT, they take up less space than the DT, they probably would eliminate the trespass on Lake George Steamboat if you went back to canister filters and he does not know where the results of that even went to. There were a lot of discussions about ultraviolet on Lake George to eliminate the chlorine and the chlorine taste in the water. It is a more economical way to purify your water than the chlorine he mentioned and you don't have the contact time involved with the chlorine and it goes through the ultraviolet, it is a done deal. That is another issue, with Eagle Lake users you have got the injection system at Eagle Lake now, he doesn't believe it would take much expansion to put in a single unit that is available for well under 100 thousand dollars, that can do 600 thousand gallons a day, which is more than Eagle Lake even produces. You could run that back down the hill and put your wells on standby, so you eliminate the pumping costs, you would eliminate the cost of pumping up the hill in addition to the cost you are burdened with now with the wells and you would have better quality water. It is a win, win. He really feels that the Town needs to address this particular type of system with the engineers that you have on board and find out why it isn't being discussed. There is no logic for him in that type of engineering design that would say don't consider ultraviolet and pump water over Chilson Hill. It is just not a workable solution. Those are the possibilities that we are trying to bring to the board.

Supervisor Wright asked if the group has an overall plan/discussion that can be shared with the engineers at another meeting?

Ms. DiPofi stated that she has a diagram, she has information and would be more than happy to meet with the engineer.

Mr. Grinnell added that he would be happy to meet with them himself. He knows when Jim and Todd were on board and part of AES, we had these discussions and he thinks Mr. Fuller was involved in some of them and he is sure that Mr. Fuller recalls that ultraviolet was something that AES hadn't thought of originally, but once it was brought to their attention both of those gentlemen seemed quite interested.

Supervisor Wright stated that we can talk about this in more detail, do you know why it didn't go forward.

Mr. Grinnell stated no, the first discussion about this was when he was in office and it got dropped when he got out of office and then we drilled another well and they claim it is

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redundant. You are supposed to have redundant water sources and you put two straws in one glass and you've got redundancy, not where he comes from. But if you go to Lake George and Gooseneck and you are looking at a pretty redundant system and a lot safer for the people of Ticonderoga.

Supervisor Wright noted that there are some issues with the Baldwin Plant that are starting to become expensive, but we can discuss.

Mr. Grinnell understands all of that, he was part of those discussions, that is why we traveled to the other communities to look at the canister filters. DT was outdated when they built that, not that the State of New York does anything that (inaudible) when it comes to the DOH and the DEC, we are rebuilding the sewer plant because they made us put the storm water and septic waste together, you know...he thinks we really need to sit with the engineers and say, come on guys, let's take a hard look at this and see if it isn't a much more practical way and a much more cost effective way for Ticonderoga to go forward and he would be happy to sit at those meetings.

Supervisor Wright asked if he could support a meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and you have other people, your own engineers and other people that can support that meeting. He doesn't know who you need...

Mr. Grinnell stated that he thinks it would be a good idea for Mr. Fuller to be there to .

Supervisor Wright stated that he would be there on behalf of the town. He doesn't know if you all have any kind of engineering support behind you to explain the principles or....

Mr. Grinnell doesn't think so, he feels confident enough to at least bring forward the ideas and see what the engineers have to say, if they stonewall, and he really doesn't see that happening, but if they should, then we can bring forward an engineer and the one he is thinking of specifically has written any number of pages of regulation use by DOH for potable water and DEC for wastewater. He is a hydrologist; he is very well respected by the state and he is sure that he can get him to attend if we need to.

Councilman Woods asked if there was any kind of cost comparison that can be presented.

Mr. Grinnell stated that he doesn't at this time, he knows it is fractional, but he can put together his best thoughts on it for the meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Supervisor Wright asked if Mr. Grinnell was the point of contact.

Mr. Grinnell stated that Mr. Blanchette is the point of contact.

Supervisor Wright again noted that we are willing to entertain any options at this point and you may have a valid one. He would like our engineers to hear your engineers and the proposal and if it somehow satisfies the Consent Decree then...

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Mr. Grinnell interrupted and stated that he is working on similar projects that he has been involved in, but as he stated, he is not a licensed engineer, but he is going off the experience of those contractors. He has had the opportunity to install ultraviolet and use it, he has the opportunity to do chlorine based systems, he has never done a DT other than his own swimming pool, but he has formed water districts on Grace Avenue, Homelands, sewer district to Homelands that he was involved with and that is other than what he had to deal with as supervisor here in this town.

Supervisor Wright asked the Town engineers of what other kind of data would these people need to bring to a meeting for everyone can get a picture as to whether or not this is a viable option.

Greg Swart has taken notes while this discussion was going on to make sure he was catching all of the points. He does not need any additional information as we have gone through this before, we have a lot of the answers. For him it would be making sure he has a list of all the points to look up the background of this. He will go through and do some research.

Nate Belanger would like to ask the board if it normally the responsibility of the residents to come up with a proposed fix for a problem.

Supervisor Wright stated that the Town did come up with a few proposed fixes for this problem. They weren't viable and they were too expensive, but they were options and that is why we are trying to get funding to pay for the options.

Mr. Belanger stated if those options were not viable and they were too expensive, then how come we are not looking for another option.

Supervisor Wright asked how many options do you.....where do you go when you run out of options?

Mr. Belanger stated that you have not run out of options, you were just given three more options. That is his question. You asked him to bring engineers and answers or propose a plan for the fix but, isn't that what we pay our taxes for and what the Town is supposed to do...

Supervisor Wright stated that it is their plan and we would like to hear the ideas, we have no idea what you all are thinking about for a project. He continued by saying we can come to a solution here tonight or we can continue to argue about this, but I think we all want water here don't you.

Mr. Belanger stated absolutely....., but again.....

Supervisor Wright said let's stop worrying about blaming the town about not coming up with this particular option and....

Mr. Belanger stated that nobody is placing blame on anybody, we are asking questions, these are all people that are affected by this problem and we are trying to get a solution....



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Supervisor Wright agreed that we are totally open to the communication and listening to the solution which has been brought forward and we are asking you to explain how this works. That is not unreasonable. Alright, we are done.

Ms. DiPofi stated that she will write the plan out, she has the diagram that was done on a napkin at the Fort View Inn last weekend. She will do it to scale and she will present it to you. It is not going to be, but it shows....

Supervisor Wright stated that we just need to get a concept as to how this works.

Ms. DiPofi agreed and continued that this is not going to look like Gooseneck, it is going to be a little circle, but we did this on a napkin and that is when they engaged Bill in this. She is not an engineer. All we want is clean, drinkable water and we don't want... (inaudible)

Supervisor Wright stated that this is what the Town wants. We understand..

Ms. DiPofi asked if she will be invited to this meeting?

Supervisor Wright stated that this will be on our Web and anybody can attend. We just need to make sure that we have all the data and someone will be able to look at it and see how it is proposed to work. We are open to any options.

Ms. DiPofi stated that we tried, unfortunately, the previous supervisor, we tried to present options and he would shut us off and he would stop and he didn't want to hear it and now we are facing this 2025 with our water being shut off.

Dan Blanchette stated that we have until July of this year to adopt one of these ideas and they are very cost-effective to the people.

Councilman Woods stated if you present it the 17<sup>th</sup> and it is feasible, then we will definitely go forward with this, I mean....

Ms. DiPofi appreciates that, this is the first time she is hearing someone from the board actually acknowledge the residents.

Councilman Woods added that we need to know all the facts..

Supervisor Wright agreed and it has to be a feasible solution before it can be entertained..

Mr. Grinnell added that he and Mr. Swart can talk between now and the meeting.

Mr. Swart believes he has a pretty good understanding of this.

Randy LaPann asked if Gooseneck still a viable source or was Gooseneck turned over to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation when you negotiated the fines and Lake George.

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Ms. DiPofi stated that she is very pro-Gooseneck. She has been on the phone with Warrensburg DEC, there is a constitutional amendment that gives the rights of Gooseneck Pond to the Town of Ticonderoga in perpetuity, meaning as long as the Town is using that as a water source....

Mr. LaPann stated yes, as long as we are using it. Mr. Fuller you helped negotiate this, right.

Ms. DiPofi stated that Mr. Fuller was at the Warrensburg office when this was brought up, are you talking about the Consent Decree?

Mr. LaPann is talking about when the Town of Ticonderoga was negotiating the fines, did the Town of Ticonderoga give up the rights to Gooseneck to NYS.

Mr. Fuller stated that the Town of Ticonderoga does not own the Gooseneck Pond. The State of New York owns the Gooseneck Pond. The Town has a permit dating back to the early 1900's under Article 15 of the Environmental Conservation Law. So, there is nothing turned over to the state. Those permits required that the applicant, the Town, come up with a project and the Town has to pay for the project, but any project of Gooseneck is under the direction of the Department of Environmental Conservation. That and Article 15 of the Environmental Conservation Law. So, part of the Dam is on a piece of Town owned property, so the dam is split roughly 2/3 to 1/3, 2/3 is on State Forest Land and 1/3 is a piece owned by the Town. The inlet is part of the piece owned by the Town. The actual pond and the permit that the Town has flowed from the Village under Article 15 of the Environmental Conservation Law. If You take that at the beginning basis, that is where the Town's permit is, it is not a Constitutional Amendment or anything like that. It is a permit under state law, that is the fact. When the negotiation with the DOJ was made, the Town at that time, that Town Board, and he remembers having meetings with them, many people were at them, they agree that as part of that settlement, unless a different project is proposed, the Town would abandon the Gooseneck supply as a drinking water source, not a water source, but that it would not be used as drinking water. They reason for that primarily, part of the issue with the cost is the cost that you are going to propose doesn't include the work that needs to be done at Gooseneck, right. The Dam, rehabilitating the Dam and the line down from Gooseneck is its own cost and that was one of the big cost prohibiting factors that the Town Board at that time, said, we can saddle not only the Gooseneck and Eagle Lake people, but we can't saddle the whole town with the cost to renovate that dam. There is a chart in this room showing that. So, there are all of those factors, it wasn't, Bill is correct, a lot of factors were talked about and ideas of different water supplies for up there including the possibility of a water plant up there. Bill would remember that, we were at the DOH and Mr. Fuller remembers when Bill threw the keys down on the table, he was there and that was brought up and that meeting that we were at and the costs coming out of that meeting are why the Town Board agreed to that at that time. So, that is just one of the things that Greg will get into next time with you, is you may solve one problem with a cheaper cost, but the legacy cost, you are not solving. There is no cost allocation for the dam. There is no cost allocation for that pipe coming down from Gooseneck, part of which is in Eagle Lake. To answer your question, the Town Board at that time, yes, approved the discontinuance by 2025 as a drinking water source. That pipe can still flow, DEC still has the obligation to either take down the dam or leave it there because that is under Article 15 of the Environmental Conservation Law.

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Mr. Grinnell asked if didn't in fact, in one of the meetings with DEC – we were in Warrensburg, didn't they in fact, read the Amendment to the Constitution that granted Ticonderoga.....

Mr. Fuller stated no, if you remember right, he is the one who brought the information that Todd put together from the early 20 or 30's when Ti got its Article 15 permit. You have a permit, but that is the idea of rights to the water, the Town has a permit for water. There are problems with that, such as the Town's compliance with that permit, which we won't get into, but the Town has a permit, that does not, necessarily satisfy they drinking water regulations. The right to get the water and the obligation to treat the water are two different things.

Mr. Grinnell wonders why DEC stated that there was an Amendment to the Constitution.

Mr. Fuller never heard that. Tonight is the first time he is hearing of a Constitutional Amendment.

Mr. Blanchett stated that it is not just for Gooseneck, it is for several bodies of water in the Adirondacks. This Constitutional Amendment is spanned out over a large body.

Mr. Fuller reminded that you must keep in mind too that the Article 15 of the Environmental Constitution Law somewhat predates and came into existence in the late 1800's with the Adirondack Park. The Adirondack Park wasn't designated throughout the history of NYS. They came in somewhat together.

Mr. Blanchett stated that he did a FOIL report for the last 6 years and there was a rough estimate cost of what was done in those 6 years and it was roughly around 18 thousand dollars. Knowing that we were up in Gooseneck 10 years ago, and this has been going on for 2 1/2 decades, why did we take the rest of the money, the 250 thousand dollars from the 109 users on Chilson and Eagle Lake, the remainder of the money would be 230 thousand, why didn't that money go into...

Supervisor Wright asked what good does this discussion do us now when we are trying to get to a solution...

Mr. Blanchett is just making a point that obviously there were people in the past that made some very wrong decisions....

Supervisor Wright stated that we can't go back and change those decisions, Dan, we are trying to go forward. Let's stop living in the past....

Ms. DiPofi asked if there was a reserve account with money put aside for the maintenance, repairs and improvements of Gooseneck and the water that is coming for Eagle Lake and Chilson Hill. You are collecting this money and you are only using 'X' amount, granted you have personal service costs, you have maintenance and you have overhead. For the last 6 years, you have collected over 240 thousand dollars, estimated cost for repairs and maintenance for 4 breaks in Eagle Lake and Chilson came to roughly 18 thousand, where is the other money. Was that put into a reserve account? So, that would help with the cost of taking care of this water solution.

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Unknown person speaking – it was probably put in a general fund. If you do general fund, just looking at your stuff here, you have a forfeiture for \$1,700, where does that 17 hundred go, where does that money go, what was that forfeiture in the first place. Was a seizure from the police department? If so, that cannot be put in the general fund, by law both federal and state.

Ms. DiPofi guesses what he is trying to get at, was there any contingency planning for this? Money put aside, we know you have reserve money, you know at the end of the year, you have money left over from the budget. Was that put aside, knowing the cost and everything involved with trying to get us drinkable, clean water and keeping Gooseneck Pond. That is the question and maybe she is putting you all on the spot and you can't answer that question, you are only in office 2 months, 3 months, but can we get an answer on that? She has another suggestion on who should be in on this meeting is Marleen Martin from Saranac Lake DOH, she is very involved in the project and the oversight from the DOH, Kelly DeVall from Warrensburg DEC, she is very knowledgeable as well. They will not come and speak to us unless the Town invites them. So, we cannot have conversations and present something to you unless it can be approved by the State and other agencies.

Mr. Blanchett stated that you need to get the DOH involved because that is obviously the biggest problems we have with Gooseneck and that is actually the easiest resolved with the purification.

Ms. DiPofi wants to ask one more question, Dan should bring this up as he showed her a video of a cap where the pumps are on Old Chilson Hill and they are not locked.

Mr. Blanchett stated yes, right across from his house on 134 Old Chilson Hill, he is the new guy on the block that had to find out, to not have any information disclosed when he bought his house that there was even a water problem. This hatch is six feet deep, a child could open it, it is not that heavy, the motors are running and you will have a kid dead on this pump if they get curious and go inside it.

This will be checked into.

Supervisor Wright stated that we will schedule this meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and we will invite the people from Saranac.

Dennis Towne wants to make one quick thing, he understands that you are under the gun with some really hard, lousy water on Street Road. He doesn't know how many million dollars was proposed for that, but 8 million dollars was give or take for running up on Chilson Hill. He was wondering if you couldn't purify Gooseneck and run it into the new Reservoir and augment that high quality water that you have there and come out costing less that it would to soften that water and do Chilson together. It is just something that was on top of his head right here, he didn't stay at a Holiday Inn, he is thinking people should be able to think of that.

Mr. Grinnell though that he made that clear when he said use one purifying device instead of one for each house. One at the chlorine injection station that would handle 600 thousand gallons.

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Deb Mulcahy asked about what was said tonight, she didn't hear it clearly. You said we were guaranteed 3 million dollars and the 5.3 million?

Supervisor Wright stated that we qualify and the 5.3 were a zero interest loan over 40 years.

Report of Committees

Airport – Mark Wright, Supervisor

**TICONDEROGA AIRPORT 4B6**

1 March 2022

The meeting started, with the pledge of allegiance to the flag, at 0830 in the Town Hall. Present were David Woods, Bryan Douros, Jon Hanna, Ash Alexander, Mark Wright, Alan Densmore, Dave Iuliano, Terry Smith and on the phone was Chris Kneppers.

Fuel sales for February were 632 gallons.

It was reported that the QTpod was off line for a few days, this noted in the upper left of the screen and needs to be checked with the fuel checks.

Particulates of carbon steel have been noted in the fuel sump system, as the fuel level gets lower condensation will build up on the walls of the tank and result in this condition. It is normal and OK for 100LL.

Nothing new on the night landing approach from the FAA, Mark will contact the FAA to obtain that information.

Jon will remove the old silt fence that is no longer required.

Alan gave an update on the old beacon, currently on the paper company property, It will need to meet the 20:1 landing approach, so the tower will be lowered from 60 feet to 30 feet to meet that requirement and this is lower than the power poles on the street. A fence will be needed around the base and foundation to mount the tower on. We will have an engineer review the plan so it meets all requirements. Terry will talk to the APA to see if any approvals are needed. Mark will review the proposal and get back to Terry.

Dave Woods talked to Sal about dropping off more fill dirt in the low areas, they should start in the spring.

Th gate has not been happy with the cold and snow. Bryan has been making repairs as needed. The gate is now working, but the snow brushes on the rail need to be replaced.

We currently have 20 tie down spots at the airport and only one is being used.

Meeting adjourned at 0920

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

Submitted by Jon Hanna

Economic Development – Mark Wright, Supervisor

Next meeting is the 16<sup>th</sup> of March

Building and Grounds, Parks, Recreation, Historical Lands, Beach, Monuments and Cemeteries  
Dave Woods, Councilman & Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman

Minor Building repairs at the Library and the Armory along with an ant problem at the Library.

**Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 15, 2022**

Committee members in attendance were Elisha Bartlett, Jerry Cooper, Nancy Kelley, Shawn Ross, Tonya Thompson, and Chairs Joyce Cooper and Dave Woods. Also attending were Clayton Messer and Supervisor Mark Wright.

**Proposed Marine Monument**

Clayton Messer of the Essex County Leathernecks spoke to the committee asking permission to erect a 6-foot tall and 42-inch-wide black granite monument engraved with “In Appreciation to All Adirondack Marines”. This monument would be placed near the main entrance to the Bicentennial Park. Because of its height and width, members were concerned about the staging of various large events and the views cape in the park. Its anticipated cost was between 20 and 30 thousand dollars.

Mr. Messer thought that other service organizations might want to erect a similar monument at other entrances to the park. Though not opposed to the idea of this monument, the majority of members present felt the best spot for this type of monument would be in Veterans’ Park. It was decided that committee members and Mr. Messer should walk through both Bicentennial and Veterans’ Parks to explore potential sites. The morning of March 4 for “Walk the Park”. Mr. Messer will bring a cardboard mockup to assist in a potential site selection.

**Tennis Courts**

The company selected to fill cracks and paint the courts in 2021 has been contacted. The company plans to do the work this year and they will notify us when the work has been scheduled. The new permanent pickleball nets need to be installed before the courts are repaired.

**Former D & H Properties**

The town purchased the former D & H railbed property in the town some years ago. Over time, homeowners on adjacent properties have asked to lease or purchase sections of the former D & H property. The town is presently dealing with some requests. Elisha Bartlett suggested the

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potential recreational use of this property for walking and bicycle trails needs to be explored. Then it can be determined where do we go from here with this property. A meeting devoted to this issue will be scheduled later this year.

**Tin Pan Alley Road and Lake Access**

The legal aspects regarding the road and use of this property need to be explored. A meeting between Attorney Matt Fuller, Supervisor Mark Wright and Parks and Recreation Committeewoman Joyce Cooper will be held to discuss this property.

**Bicentennial Park Playground**

Joyce Cooper expressed concerns about the new playground equipment installation going smoothly and efficiently. A point person, the use area determination and resulting placement for the equipment, and test holes are critical parts of the playground layout. Volunteer groups to assemble, install each of the 3 new pieces of equipment, and spread the groundcover have already been recruited and potential work dates determined. Scott Hearburg who led the installation of the elementary school playground has also volunteered to help with the project.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> due to the unavailability of Chairwoman Cooper on the regular meeting day.

The Parks and Recreation Committee is going to make a mission statement and come up with a policy of what can go in our properties. We are so lucky to have our parks and we need to keep the viewscape open. It is a great asset.

Highway and Transfer Station – Dave Woods, Councilman

**Town of Ticonderoga  
Highway and Transfer Station  
February 22, 2022 minutes of Meeting**

**Present:**

Dave Woods, Mitch Cole, John Deming, Heath Towne

**Others:**

John Reale, Joyce Cooper

**Public Discussion**

Said the Pledge of Allegiance

Public discussion

- John Reale

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- Looking for assistance from the Town for a working right away to the adjacent piece of property on Route 74 and Lead Hill. What would it take to use private forces to come on the land? Any proceeds will go to snowmobile clubs or the Town and the can decide what to do with it.
- He is looking to clear the logs and fill it.
- Dave suggests we wait until Matt Fuller is present. We will need some sort of document on this.
- John would like to thank the Highway Dept for the help they have given on Black Point Rd. (Water/Ice backed up)
- John wanted to let the Town know he is working on a permit (DEC/APA) for Sawyers Pit and would like to work with the Town on the Dust issue. Can this be added to the budget at budget time? Mitch had a few suggestions. We will need to look at it in the spring.

End of Public Comment

**Committee Discussion**

- Mitch- the highway has been working steady on snow and ice clean up. Repairing trucks to prepare for the incoming storm. Culverts are being cleared out as quick as we can to try containing the water.
- Heath- I noticed a sink hole on Lord Howe. It is going in towards the sidewalk. Mitch stated after this meeting he will head down and check it out to see what can be done.
- Fuel System is being upgraded today. We are hoping this will solve the key issues.

**Resolutions for the next town board meeting**

- No resolutions

**Outstanding items not discussed**

- None

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45am

Minutes were taken and prepared by Rebecca Norton

Next meeting TBA

**Resolution #94-2022** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Mark Wright to acknowledge the March 30, 2022 retirement date for Richard Holland. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #95-2022** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Joyce Cooper to advertise for a full-time Transfer Station Attendant. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**



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**Resolution #96-2022** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Mark Wright to authorize the emergency purchase of a Highway Superintendent vehicle. The current vehicle experienced an unexpected blown engine which is unserviceable. This vehicle is critical to Highway Department operations and public safety. The Town has been unable to obtain vehicles through State contracts in a timely manner and unable to obtain quotes or find multiple dealers with inventory. Financing is through the Highway Fund Balance in an amount not to exceed \$49,135.00. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

Library – Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman

**Resolution #97-2022** brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Joyce Cooper to accept the Phase I Environmental Assessment Report by KAS Environmental Science and Engineering for the 6 Carnegie Place property, dated March 7, 2022. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #98-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Tom Cunningham to accept the Inspection Technologies Company inspection report for the 6 Carnegie Place property, dated February 28, 2022. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

Municipal Facility Evaluation – Tom Cunningham, Councilman

**Town of Ticonderoga  
Municipal Facility Evaluation Committee  
February 28, 2022, Minutes of Meeting**

**Committee Members Present:**

Tom Cunningham, Chris Dotsie, Mike Moser, Jeff Cook

**Others**

Mark Wright – In Person, Dave Woods – in person

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Committee Discussion**

- Chris Dotsie created a matrix of buildings and suggested repairs from the Alfrandre' report. It was agreed to start looking into what of those repairs and suggested upgrades have been completed and what still needs to be done. It was agreed that Dave Woods would be a good place to start as he is

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on the building a Grounds Committee and looks over repairs as they come up.

- Mike Moser asked if we should look for a Design/build company to give us a price once we had a design, it was agreed that we would start sourcing a firm. The committee agreed that it was within our purview to source a design/build firm and then submit our recommendation to the full Town board.
- Jeff Cook brought up his concern that several of the locations for the future Police Station maybe in a 100-year flood zone which could create additional build cost to meet code for an emergency facility. Tom Cunningham said he would contact AES to make sure that was included in their site evaluation.
- The next item was to consider Building and Grounds as they are presently located in the Police Station, which has been condemned. It was agreed that AES should meet with Grant, Building and Grounds Supervisor, to discuss his needs and where he would like to be located.
- Jeff Cook brought drawings that were done when the Town was considering as joint Police and Fire Station building. He asked if these could be used instead of creating a new set of drawings. It was stated that AES had the drawings, along with drawings from the Vergennes Police Department and would use those to come up with a floor plan for the new Police department. It was pointed out that the shape and therefore the floor plan for the Police Department could change depending on the location that was eventually decided on.
- **Update on AES's progress and items to get done**
  - AES, Tom Thatcher, Jeff Cook, Dave Woods, Adam Hurlburt and Tom Cunningham meet with Chief of Police Merkel in Vergennes to tour their Police station. Everyone was impressed and learned a lot. Thanks to Chief Merkel for giving us the tour and his insight.
- No other new business

**Public Discussion**

- Meeting was opened to public comment, with no public comment

Next meeting scheduled for March 28, 2022, at 6:30 PM

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM

Minutes were taken and prepared by the Committee Chairman Thomas F Cunningham

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Public Safety – Dave Woods, Councilman

**Public Safety**

February 21, 2022

Councilman Dave Woods calls the meeting to order at 8:00am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following committee members were present: Joyce Cooper, Dave Woods Dave Burrows, Jennifer Gendron and Rhiannon Peters.

Councilman Woods opens the floor to the public, no public participation.

Dave Burrows states he received an email from a Bones Rodriguez who bought 10 Schuyler Street, 8 Schuyler Street has been vacant for about three years, its condemned, the ceiling is caving in, and Mr. Rodriguez is stating there is critters going back and forth between the two properties. Dave states he is going to go check out the situation and is also going to ask the town attorney on what can be done with 8 Schuyler.

Dave Woods asks what is the number of junk cars can you have on one property; Rhiannon states you can legally have two.

Police Department:

Members of the committee reviewed the Police monthly report. (See attachment)

Joyce Cooper states that there are two vehicles using the public parking lot on Cannon Ball Path for long term parking and one of the vehicles is disabled, then there is one in Pocket Park behind the flooring building that has two flat tires, it's been there awhile, Joyce is asking what we can do to have this resolved.

Codes Department:

The committee members reviewed the Codes monthly report. (See attachment)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm

The following is a summary of the activities of the Ticonderoga Police Department from 1/25/2022 to 2/21/2022

<u>Patrol Statistics</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Approx. Calls to Service:	355	811

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Incident reports:	28	53
Arrests:	18	33
Uniform traffic tickets:	49	77
DWI arrests:	2	3
Accidents investigated:	13	24

\*Speed Trailer: Out of service for the winter

\* Patrol Unit 7B376 needs the water pump replaced. Appointment is scheduled for Wednesday at Egglefield Ford

\* On February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022 Officers responded Wal-Mart for a report of property damage accident involving a suspected intoxicated operator. When Officers attempted to interview the Operator, identified as John Schaaf, he became combative. As a result of a police investigation, Officers arrested John S Schaaf for DWI, Aggravated DWI, and resisting arrest. Schaaf was released with an appearance ticket to appear in the Ticonderoga Town Court on a later date.

\* On February 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 Officers attempted to initiate a traffic stop on a blue Volkswagen Jetta being operated by Caleb Fleming. Fleming fled police and led officers on a short vehicle pursuit across Alexandria Avenue. Fleming stopped his vehicle in front of his residence on Alexandria Avenue and proceeded to flee on foot. Officers were able to apprehend Fleming and he was charged with Failure to Obey a Police Officer, Unlicensed Operator, Speed not reasonable and prudent, and obstruction of governmental administration. He was released with an appearance ticket to appear in the Ticonderoga Town Court on a later date.

\* Officer Robert Budwick completed the Range Instructor Course for long guns.

Re: (January 1<sup>st</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>) 2022 Activity Report

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

**Building Inspection:**

Building Permits Issued:

Safety Inspections:

Pass/Fail:

(January)

YTD

10	10
6	6
2/0	2/0

**Permit & Inspection Notes:**

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**6- Alt/Repairs** → Oak St, Montcalm St, Commerce Dr, Wicker, 9N & Water St

**2-Roof Repair** → Montcalm & Water St

**1-Foundation Repair** → Sagamore Rd

**1-Hunting Camp Permit**→ NYS Route 9N

**6- Fire/Safety Inspections**→ (2) Montcalm St, Adirondack Dr, (2) Champlain Ave & NYS Route 9N→ 2-Passed 4-Waiting on minor repairs

**Code Violation Notices:**

	(January)	YTD
Order to Remedy:	2	2
Remediated:	1	1
Clean-Up Contractor:	0	0
NYS DFS	0	0
Condemned:	0	0
Do Not Occupy:	1	1
Appearance Tickets:	0	0

**Code Violation Notes**

Broken Sewer Pipe in upper Rental unit on Wiley Street, causing a leak into lower unit, Tenant was contacted to allow Landlord in to fix it.

**Miscellaneous:**

	(January)	YTD
*Complaints:	2	2
Resolved:	1	1/2

**Misc. Complaint Notes:**

1. Complaint on an Abandoned/ Unsecured structure on Myers St, Water Dept shut off water main to structure.
2. Sewer Pipe issues at rental until, issue resolved.

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**Trainings:**

N/A

**Safety & Resource Grants (YTD) :**

**Grant Extended→**

Zombie & Abandoned Properties Grant (Round II)

\$47,500

Public Works – Mark Wright, Supervisor

**Town of Ticonderoga  
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 22, 2022  
10:30 am**

**Committee Members Present:** Derrick Fleury, Eric Blanchard, Tom Cunningham, Sherry Veneto

**Others:** Madisen Hetman (*AES*), Rebecca Norton, Dan Blanchette, Anne Marie Savage.

GoTo Meeting attendees: Mary Jo Reale, James Reale, Peter Reale

**Public Comment**

Dan Blanchette spoke about the property he recently purchased at 134 Old Chilson Rd. He had no knowledge before purchasing the property about the water situation. He is asking what the Town's plan is to get water to the property owners of Chilson/Eagle Lake. Tom explained that the Town is trying to find a viable solution for the residents as Gooseneck is not an option. Tom also explained that the Town is looking for funding to help with the financial impact of the project.

**Item for Discussion**

1. Amy Savage- 33 Schuyler St.

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- a. Amy was inquiring about payment/penalty forgiveness as no one has lived in the home since 2016. Also asking what the Town's policy is on vacant homes, if there is a lesser rate.
  - i. Tom and Derrick explained the Town's policy on billing. Unfortunately, Vacant homes are charged just as a "lived in" home are. Until meters are installed in homes (whenever that might be), the policy remains the same.

**2. Mary Jo Reale- 388 Black Point Rd**

- a. Mary Jo along with her brothers James and Peter are asking about the additional sewer EDU and O&M charge for the property. They feel there should not be an additional fee for the 2<sup>nd</sup> pump in the cottage as the cottage is rarely used and never rented. The Reales purchased the original pump in the cottage, but that was replaced by a Town pump when they (The Town) were called for a pump service. The pump in the cottage pumps up to the main home's existing septic leach bed.
  - i. Tom asked Derrick if there are any other properties that have the same or similar situation. He believes that there is at least one other property with a similar situation.
  - ii. Some investigating is needed to be done to make sure that they are being billed correctly and the same as the other properties. We will get back to them with an answer.

**3. Utility Moratorium.**

- a. NYS has extended the Utility Moratorium to allow people to enter into a Deferred Payment Agreement until June 30, 2022. This is for people that have experienced financial difficulties during the Covid-19 pandemic. A letter along with a self-certification form will be sent out in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter bills to anyone that is in arrears with their water bill.
- b. Anyone who sends the self-certification form back will be asked to sign a re-payment agreement. On this agreement the Town will need to post a date for all payments to be completed by. Due to the Re-levy in early November, it would be wise to use a date prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> of November. It is suggested to use October 24, 2022 as a final "pay by" date.

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- i. It is recommended to the Town Board to authorize October 24, 2022 as the final date for repayment of the Deferred Payment Agreement, for anyone that submits the self-certification form stating they have experienced financial difficulties due the Covid-19 pandemic.

**Derrick Fleury – Water/Wastewater Superintendent’s Report**

**1. Frozen Water Line Policy.**

- a. There has been discussion on whether or not Town employees should be going into people’s basements to thaw water lines. The Town needs to figure out what the policy should be. The Town’s current policy allows the employees to enter the basement to see where the problem lies. If it’s with the homeowner or with the Town. Unfortunately, there has been a recent event that has brought forth questions of liabilities of the employee(s) going into a residence.
- b. More discussion needs to happen between Mark, Matt, and Derrick to come up with a policy to cover all aspects. Tom also added that discussion of entering the homes when meters are installed should be included.

**2. Black Point Rd Pump Station Controls.**

- a. Recently the controller failed, and it’s currently being run off floats. Derrick got a price to replace the controller, which is outdated and is not made anymore, to replace it with a new controller is estimated at \$10,554.00. This would replace the controller, but not fix any other problems at the pump station. It really needs to have the wiring redone and ventilation. Derrick called AquaLogics and asked for a price for a built panel. That price came in at \$54,395.00, this price does not include ventilation and the Town would have to hire an electrician to connect wires. This panel would be the same as panels at the other pump stations. Derrick would like to get moving with this and see if AES can come up with a ventilation plan, as this needs to be taken care of sooner rather than later.
- b. Need to find out if this will require 3 proposals or if it can be done through AquaLogics. Matt will have to be asked. A resolution will be brought to the Town Board once the answer is found out.

**3. Receiving Pump.**



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- a. Having a problem with one of the receiving pumps tripping out. Not sure if it's the VFD or the pump itself. Derrick and Eric and going to try switching the wires to see which is tripping out. If it's the pump it can be sent out to be redone. If it's the VFD it will have to be replaced.

4. Judy Eybers- 2140 Black Point Rd.

- a. The lateral keeps freezing, Derrick would like to have Bruce Geraw go with him to find a solution to keep it from happening again.

**Eric Blanchard – Chief Wastewater Operator**

No report.

**AES Report**

1. **Water**

**I. Overall Water Project**

- The project is ready for closeout once Veteran's Road is completed. AES will be working with Ticonderoga and Essex County to close out the project over the next 6 +/- months

**II. Veterans Road**

- The project is online and complete
- There will be a final plus/minus change order
- Overall project will be under budget

**III. Chilson Eagle Lake**

- AES has completed initial survey
- AES is working on preliminary design
- We will be providing an update in the next month

**IV. Phase 2 Water Project**

- Water meters

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- o Did not receive funding in 2021 CFA round
  - Defiance/Abercrombie Tank
  - Distribution System Upgrades (Baldwin Filter Plant Mothballing)
  - o Continuing water modeling to provide distribution recommendations
  - Water Softening
  - o AES to prepare another presentation with cost benefit analysis
- Potential for infrastructure money for watermain/lead services.

**V. Water District Consolidation**

- The Town has settled on a final map.
- AES will complete a list of Street Road district properties to be removed from the district.
- o Is the district being presented as a whole or are individual letters being sent?
- o The next step is to draft the MP&R
- o Present to the Committee
- o Present to the Public

**VI. LSLRP**

- Work to commence in 2022
- Letter to homeowners sent out in December 2021.

**2. Wastewater**

**I. AES #4394 Portage**

- Remaining work includes topcoat, a few utilities, sidewalk, and pavement markings
- We will have another public information meeting prior to start of construction.

**II. Existing Wastewater Treatment Plant Project (UV)**

- Project is complete and will be closed out along with the Portage

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**III. Current Temporary Ventilation Project**

- Project is complete and is ready for close out

**IV. Future Wastewater Treatment Plant Work**

- WWTP Evaluation

- o A WPCP evaluation is due as part of the phosphorus upgrades and to meet the Town's potential

expansion needs.

- o This is recommended for 2022.

- o Understanding actual capacity is needed to allow for district expansion.

- **GIGP Ventilation Project**

- o All funding apps are in

- o We will need to determine what the Town's desired schedule for the design.

- o Town has received 0% hardship financing, \$1,000,000 grant and is waiting \$2,500,000 grant.

- o There may be others for 2022 applications.

- o Overall project includes ventilation, phosphorus upgrades (aeration tanks and chemical feed), and collection system from Long Term Control Plan

- **Long Term Control Plan**

- o This is the collection system evaluation, paid for by a \$100,000 EFC grant. AES has completed preliminary site visits. In the spring Arold Construction and Allegheny Utility Solutions will complete pipeline inspections and locating allowing AES to complete the report. This report will define the scope of the next collection system project that we have been working on through grant applications. Stormwater separation projects are required under the SPDES Permit and the resulting Long Term Control Plan. The Long-Term Control Plan is required and basically outlines the projects that the Town will complete in the next 10 years. The Town is required to complete projects to continuing separating stormwater. The LTCP is a key requirement to the Town obtaining grant funds.

- **Other WWTP Items**

- o **Annual Report** (Completed for 2022 Operating Year.)

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AES has typically completed an annual report due Jan 31 each year. This year the report was able to be simplified due to a change in SPDES permit requirements.

**o Wet Weather Operating Plan**

We will need to update the wet weather operating plan required by the Town's SPDES permit.

**o WWTP O&M Manuals**

O&M Manuals should be updated. Previous discussion included updated minimally per NYSDEC standards or more in depth (an actual operating manual).

**o Pump Stations**

AES has completed the evaluation of the pump stations. Next steps include prioritizing the work and developing a plan of action, if the Town wants to move forward with any of the projects. Work would be easier with a consolidated sewer district to spread costs across the entire user base. Otherwise, individual district budgets need to be reviewed.

**o Sewer District Consolidation**

Sewer district consolidation has not yet begun but is slated begin upon completion of the water district consolidation.

**3. Additional Items from January 25, 2022 Public Works Meeting**

**I. D&H Parcels**

- AES has prepared a map in Ticonderoga's GIS system that shows the Town owned parcels, the sewer lines that run through the Town owned parcels, and the adjacent privately owned parcels.

**II. Portage PRV**

- PRV has not yet been installed. Need to coordinate with National Grid regarding a date that will not have a significant impact on homeowners.

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**III. Solid Waste Management Permit - Land Spreading**

- Renewal application needs to be submitted to DEC at least 180 days before permit expiration.

i. Expiration -April 30, 2023

ii. Renewal Due - November 1, 2022

Committee Member Tom Cunningham adjourned the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting at 11:36 am.

The next Committee Meeting will take place on March 29, 2022 at 10:30 am.

**Resolution #99-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Dave Woods to advertise for a Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Trainee. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #100-2022** brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Joyce Cooper to authorize October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as the final date for repayment of the Deferred Payment Agreement, for anyone that submits the self-certification form stating they have experienced financial difficulties due to the Covid-19 pandemic. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

Human Services: Youth – Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman

**Resolution #101-2022** brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Tom Cunningham to accept, with regret, the resignation of Corinna Woods as the After School Program and Summer Youth Program Director. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #102-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Dave Woods to advertise for Activity Attendants for the Ticonderoga Youth Program. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #103-2022** brought by Tom Cunningham, seconded by Dave Woods to advertise for Lifeguards and Head Lifeguard for the 2022 Ticonderoga Beach Season. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #104-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Joyce Cooper to advertise for Assistant Day Camp Director and Camp Counselors for the 2022 Summer Camp Program. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

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**Resolution #105-2022** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Joyce Cooper to offer employment to Deborah Carr as head cook and Melynda Swinton as food service helper for the 2022 Summer Camp Program. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

Human Services: Senior – Tom Cunningham, Councilman  
Nothing to report

Heath Insurance – Mark Wright, Supervisor  
No Meeting

Contract Negotiations – Mark Wright, Supervisor  
Preliminary discussion – these contracts are up 12/31/2022

I.T./ Cable T.V. – Mark Wright, Supervisor

This letter will serve as notice that on or around March 28, 2022, Spectrum Northeast, LLC (Spectrum), will launch Story TV Satellite Feed on EB (HD)/SPP EB HD/Tier HD Standard TV on channels 156 and 489 on the channel lineup serving your community. Spectrum Northeast, LLC, ("Spectrum"), is making its customers aware that Fox Life will discontinue service on or around March 31, 2022. Spectrum will remove Fox Life on channels 241 and 891 on the channel lineup serving your community.

We value our customers and are committed to providing them with the latest products and technology.

Programming fees charged by TV networks we carry are the greatest single factor in higher cable prices, and they continue to rise. Despite our best efforts, programming fees and other rising costs have impacted our pricing, resulting in changes to the rates we charge our customers.

Customers are being noticed via bill message regarding the following pricing changes that take effect on or after April 1, 2022. Note that these increases will not affect current customers' promotional rates until the end of the promotional period.

**Services/Products/Equipment Change**

Broadcast TV Surcharge Will increase by \$3.01/month.  
Spectrum TV Select Will increase by \$3.00/month.  
Spectrum TV Silver Will increase by \$8.00/month.  
Spectrum TV Gold Will increase by \$8.00/month.  
Spectrum TV Latino Tier Will increase by \$2.01/month.  
Spectrum Mi Plan Latino Will increase by \$5.00/month.  
Spectrum TV Choice Will increase by \$5.00/month.  
Spectrum Lifestyle Plan Will increase by \$5.00/month.  
Spectrum TV Bundle Discount Discount will decrease by \$6.00/month.  
Spectrum Digital Receivers Each will increase by \$1.00/month.  
Spectrum Digital Terminal Adapters Will increase by \$1.00/month.  
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Spectrum Northeast, LLC, ("Spectrum") was notified on March 2, 2022, by NBC Universal Media, LLC on behalf of International Media Distribution, LLC ("IMD") that it would cease distribution of **CR1 Russia**. Accordingly, effective March 3, 2022 at 12:00am ET, the aforementioned network is no longer available on the channel lineup serving your community. Since this change is out of Spectrum's control, we are making customers aware of the cessation of programming via a channel slate message, "**Programming is no longer being provided by supplier.**"

Further, in light of the extraordinary circumstances in Ukraine, effective March 4, 2022 at 12:00am ET, Spectrum made the decision to drop Russian-controlled and -programmed networks **NTV America, RTR Planeta, Rossiya-24 and CTC** on the channel lineup serving your community.

Spectrum is making its customers aware of these drops via a channel slate message,  
"**Programming is no longer available on this network.**"

Resolutions for Consideration

**Resolution #106-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Dave Woods authorizing prepayment for the emergency purchase of the Highway Superintendent truck in the amount of \$49,135.00. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #107-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Dave Woods appointing Amy Beeman as senior account clerk and Rebecca Norton as account clerk. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #108-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Tom Cunningham authorizing the creation of a new accounts:

- A.3089                                      State Aid, Other – for JCAP Grant

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

**Resolution #109-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Tom Cunningham authorizing the following budget transfers:

- SW09.9710.700                              Debt Service Interest                              (\$5,000.00)
- SW09.9710.600                              Debt Service Principal                              \$5,000.00

**Transfer funds to cover underbudgeted Water account.**

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| ○ A.2680.000 | Insurance Recoveries        | (\$5,070.67) |
| ○ A.3120.463 | Police Repair & Maintenance | \$5,070.67   |

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Fund underbudgeted General accounts from Contingency (Balance after transfer \$  
79,449.50)

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

**Resolution #110-2022** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Joyce Cooper authorizing the following budget adjustments:

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|--------------|---|-------------|
| ○ A.1310.862 | Finance Employee HSA                      | \$3,466.00  |
| ○ A.3625.497 | Rescue Squad Public Safety (EMS)          | \$30,000.00 |
| ○ A.5132.462 | General Building Repairs (Fuel System)    | \$7,710.00  |
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Funding accounts by General Fund Balance to Cover Underbudgeted Accounts.

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

**Resolution #111-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Joyce Cooper authorizing the following Inter-Fund Transfer:

- |              |                             |               |
|--------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| ○ A.9950.900 | General Inter-fund Transfer | (\$34,120.50) |
| ○ H61.5031   | Eagle Lake Water Project    | \$30,120.50   |

Transfer funds from General to Eagle Lake Water Project.

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

**Resolution #112-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Dave Woods authorizing the following Inter-Fund Loans:

- |            |   |            |
|------------|---|------------|
| ○ A.0391   | General Due From Other Funds                | (\$732.06) |
| ○ H18.0630 | Airport Pavement Project Due To Other Funds | \$732.06   |



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

- A.0391            General Due From Other Funds            (\$9,922.18)
- H19.0630        Airport Apron Project Due To Other Funds        \$9,922.18

**Transfer funds from General to Airport Apron project under funding is received.**

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

**Resolution #113-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Dave Woods to schedule a public informational meeting on March 17, 2022 at 6 pm for a discussion on Chilson/Eagle Lake resident proposal. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #114-2022** brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Tom Cunningham to accept/correct minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of February 10, 2022, the Special Town Board Meeting of February 17, 2022, and the Finance Meeting of February 24, 2022. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

**Resolution #115-2022** brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Cunningham to Pay the Abstract. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

<b>Board Meeting Date 3/10/2022</b>				
Gross Payroll # 4	104,546.46			
Gross Payroll # 5	102,560.83			
	-			
<b>Trust &amp; Agency Total</b>	<b>\$207,107.29</b>			
<b>Pre-Pays:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			

<b>ABSTRACT # 03</b>	<b>3/10/2022</b>	<b>Cash Transfers</b>	<b>YTD Revenue</b>	<b>YTD Expenses</b>
General (A)	272,576.90	272,576.90	3,480,352.92	972,502.06
CD20 LaChute Trail Connector		-		-

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CD21 LISC Zombie	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
CM Library Trust Special		-	1.96	-
Highway (DA)	72,498.15	72,498.15	1,165,370.70	381,191.18
H17 - Ticonderoga Airport Improvements		-	-	-
H18 - Airport Pavement Management	732.06	732.06	-	732.06
H19 - Airport Apron Reconstruction / Taxiway Rehab	9,922.49	9,922.49	8,554.90	17,349.83
H20 - Airport Environmental Assessment			0.12	-
H36 - C/P Chilson Res. Replacement	-	-	8.08	34,582.30
H45 - C/P Equipment Purchase		-	-	-
H48 - FEMA Chilson Water Main		-	0.05	-
H49 - GIGP Daylight Streaming		-	-	-
H50 - C/P WQIP WWTP Disinfection	-	-	2.82	-
H51 - Res & Design French Sawmill	-	-	-	-
H53 - Clean Water Main Project	-	-	109.27	307,503.14
H54 - LaChute Signage Grant		-	-	-
H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know		-	0.57	-
H57 - Parking Lot Cannonball Path		-	0.15	-
H58 - WWTP HVAC Project		-	-	-
H59 - LCBP Storm Water Sewer Separation	-	-	9.29	-
H60 - Veterans RD Culvert/Bridge NY Project	-	-	-	-
H61 - Chilson/Eagle Lake Water Exploration	34,120.50	34,120.50	70.00	34,190.50
H62 - Lead Service Line Replacement Grant	-		797.69	-
H63 - Water Meter Project	-		-	1,488.90
H64 - WWTP Ventilation Project GIGP	-			-

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H66 - NYS DEC EPG #104867	2,000.00	2,000.00	4.97	2,000.00
PN - Permanent Fund Mt. Hope Cemetery			1.72	-
SF01- Ticonderoga Town/Village Joint Fire District	-		546,358.00	546,358.00
SF02 - Chilson Fire Protection District	-		76,147.00	76,147.00
Claymore Sewer District (SS01)	36.32		1,534.36	704.85
Park Ave Sewer District (SS02)	23.95		11,969.75	11,520.21
Alex Ave Sewer District (SS03)	383.75		8,400.81	8,838.63
Homelands Sewer Dist (SS04)	93.03		4,463.76	4,439.90
Central Sewer (SS05)	35,274.65	39,449.43	329,429.14	303,498.74
Commerce Park Sewer (SS06)	133.19		18,774.95	17,131.20
Delano Point Sewer (SS07)	138.43		4,997.11	4,448.09
Baldwin Road Sewer Dist (SS08)	108.86		11,086.16	6,817.98
Black Point Road Sewer (SS09)	2,151.24		66,628.07	107,118.54
Hague Road Sewer (SS10)	14.84		2,980.47	2,349.99
9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)	1,091.17		7,211.84	7,495.49
9N & 74 Water (SW01)	-		15,663.20	15,024.80
Street Road Water (SW02)	-		8,062.41	6,944.00
Alex Avenue I Water District (SW03)	-		6,543.86	6,272.00
Homelands Water District (SW04)	-		2,597.93	2,486.40
Alex Ave II Water District (SW05)	-		9,955.95	11,526.26
Central Water (SW06)	30,556.45	150,922.98	274,496.03	189,923.07
Park Ave Water Dist (SW07)	-		7,482.84	7,252.00

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Shore Airport Water (SW09)	120,366.53		57,822.54	141,296.35
<b>Multi Account Total</b>	<b>592,222.51</b>	<b>592,222.51</b>	<b>6,127,891.39</b>	<b>3,239,133.47</b>
<b>Total Expenditures This Abstract</b>	<b>\$799,329.80</b>	<b>TRUE</b>		

**Resolution #116-2022** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Tom Cunningham to accept the Supervisor's Report as submitted. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Cunningham – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Tom Thatcher – Absent. **Carried.**

## Supervisor's Report

3/10/2022

Account Title	GFNB	NYCLASS	GFNB ICS	Total
General	3,261,045.27	166,375.43	3,542,967.28	6,970,387.98
Airport	79,025.95			79,025.95
Highway	1,231,808.17	83,775.67	934,712.64	2,250,296.48
H17 - Airport				-
H36 - Master Drinking Water	149,548.81			149,548.81
Clean Water H49 H50 H53	2,016,854.19			2,016,854.19
H56 - Sewer Pollution Right to Know				-
H57 - Parking Lot Cannonball Path				-
H58 - WWTP - HVAC Planning Grant				-
H59 - LCBP NEIWPC				-
H61 - Chilson Eagle Lake Project				-
<b>All other Capital Projects</b>	<b>315,631.61</b>			
SS01 - Claymore				-
SS02 - Park Ave				-
SS03 - Alex Ave				-
SS04 - Homelands				-
<b>SS05 &amp; All Districts</b>	<b>724,561.97</b>	<b>682,822.16</b>	<b>535,696.75</b>	<b>1,943,080.88</b>

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<b>SW06 - Central Water All Districts</b>	310,021.27	503,636.90	325,895.17	1,139,553.34
C/R - Carillon Park		5,122.62		5,122.62
C/R - Liberty Monument		5,505.25		5,505.25
C/R - Unemployment		30,280.11		30,280.11
C/R - Police Equipment		74,157.44		74,157.44
C/R - Senior Bus		10,307.04		10,307.04
C/R - Frazier Bridge		6,607.84		6,607.84
C/R - Forfeiture		1,731.33		1,731.33
C/R - Building Improvement		325,638.27		325,638.27
C/R General Sidewalk Improvement		100,007.21		
C/R - Highway Equipment		49,641.63		49,641.63
C/R - DA Sidwalk Repair		20,001.45		
C/R - Sewer Equipment + Infrastructure		20,699.85		20,699.85
C/R - Sewer Repair		100,427.32		100,427.32
C/R - Water Equipment + Infrastructure		198,135.24		198,135.24
C/R - Water Repair		16,214.64		16,214.64
0				-
Library Trust		34,005.65		34,005.65
Mount Hope Cemetery		27,430.42		27,430.42
				15,707,751.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,341,591.99</b>	<b>2,462,523.47</b>	<b>5,339,275.84</b>	<b>16,143,391.30</b>

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Public Comment

Mrs. Mulcahy wanted to ask about the Playground, has anyone asked the boy scouts for an Eagle Scout project.

Councilwoman Cooper has spoken to the Scout leader, there is no Eagle Scout project, but they are willing to help us.

Mrs. Mulcahy wanted to comment on how wonderful the park is.

Dave Iuliano arrived a bit late, he was here to talk about the Airport Beacon.

Supervisor Wright explained that Mr. Smith gave a presentation at the beginning of the meeting. We went over the contingencies in the proposal along with if it fell through that it is to be completely removed.

Councilwoman Cooper asked about the finish on the tower, is it painted?

Councilman Woods stated that it is galvanized steel. There is no maintenance.

Supervisor Wright noted that there may be some corrosion control.

Mr. Iuliano noted that there are 94 acres at that Airport, 80 of it is fenced and protected, 70 of that is in direct use of aircrafts, but there is 10 acres that are right now being developed where that tower can sit inside, protected where nobody can bother it and the beacon can sit inside protected while all of this is going on. It wouldn't be a liability to the Town. If we go down by the fuel tanks, there are cameras, so something that might not be in there and something to think about.

Mr. Swart wanted to remind the board of the meeting on the Portage project, March 23, to answer any questions before construction begins.

Councilman Cunningham was contacted by a resident who asked if the Town has a place for residents to go in case of Air warning (this has to do with what is going on in Ukraine with Russia). Is there any place in the Town or County for residents to go? If we do, can we educate the residents on what to do and where to go?

Supervisor Wright agreed that this is a timely question, as soon as he got in office, he did ask Essex County Emergency Services if they could help us with an Emergency Response Plan. Part of that is defining fall out shelters. The Armory is still a fall out shelter even though we do not have a generator, we will get help from the Red Cross. We also have an impromptu agreement with the Fire District for that facility that he would like to get more official, but yes, all of this will play into what the county is helping us development.

Councilman Woods stated that the Ti EMS building can get 50 people in there.

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Councilman Cunningham was also questioned on the signal. He would also like to bring to the board's attention that there a lot of municipalities, mostly in larger cities, if there is a place where the members of the Town Board, the mayor, EMS, Fire, Police went to a centralized location where they could disseminate and have one point of contact.

Supervisor Wright stated that this is another great point.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

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**Pledge to the Flag**

**Public Hearing**

**Presentations**

Ticonderoga Intermediate Airport Tower/Beacon Project

**Opening Remarks**

Coronavirus Update & Notifications

Broadband Update

Childcare Survey

Board of Health – no report

**Public Comment** (time limit 2 minutes per speaker)

**Committee reports**

Airport MW

Building Grounds Parks Rec Library JC/DW

Economic Development MW

Highway / Transfer Station DW

RESOLUTION to acknowledge the March 30, 2022, retirement date for Richard Holland.

RESOLUTION to advertise for a full-time Transfer Station Attendant.

RESOLUTION to authorize the emergency purchase of a Highway Superintendent vehicle. The current vehicle experienced an unexpected blown engine which is unserviceable. This vehicle is critical to Highway Department operations and public

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safety. The Town has been unable to obtain vehicles through State contracts in a timely manner and unable to obtain quotes or find multiple dealers with inventory. Financing is through the Highway Fund Balance in an amount not to exceed \$49,135.00.

**Library JC**

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**Municipal Facility Evaluation TC**

**Public Safety DW**

**Public Works MW**

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**Resolutions**

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Funding accounts by General Fund Balance to Cover Underbudgeted Accounts.

RESOLUTION authorizing the following Inter-Fund Transfer:

- A.9950.900                      General Inter-fund Transfer                              (\$34,120.50)

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March 10, 2022, commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

- H61.5031 Eagle Lake Water Project \$30,120.50

Transfer funds from General to Eagle Lake Water Project.

RESOLUTION authorizing the following Inter-Fund Loans:

- A.0391 General Due From Other Funds (\$732.06)
- H18.0630 Airport Pavement Project Due To Other Funds \$732.06

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

- A.0391 General Due From Other Funds (\$9,922.18)
- H19.0630 Airport Apron Project Due To Other Funds \$9,922.18

Transfer funds from General to Airport Apron project under funding is received.

RESOLUTION to schedule a public informational meeting on March 17, 2022, at 6 pm for a discussion on Chilson/Eagle Lake resident proposal.

RESOLUTION to accept/correct minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of February 10, 2022, the Special Town Board Meeting of February 17, 2022, and the Finance Meeting of February 24, 2022.

RESOLUTION to Pay the Abstract.

RESOLUTION to accept the Supervisor's Report as submitted.

Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Attorney, Matt Fuller

**Public Comment** (time limit 2 minutes per speaker)

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting