

**Minutes for the second Ticonderoga 2026 Budget Workshop with Any Other Lawful  
Business commencing at 8:00 a.m. on August 27, 2025.**

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

**Others:** Amy Beeman, Finance Department, Sal Barnao (Highway Superintendent) Derrick Fleury and Eric Blanchard (Water/Wastewater Superintendent and Deputy)

**Resolution #353-2025** brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Dave Woods setting a public hearing on a proposed sewer district #9 Extension for September 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA**

**COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution No. 353 of 2025

Adopted August 27, 2025

Introduced by Tom Thatcher

who moved its adoption

Seconded by Dave Woods

**RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED EXTENSION TO SEWER DISTRICT  
NUMBER 9 (BLACK POINT SEWER DISTRICT) IN THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga (the “Town Board”) has been presented with two (2) petitions from the following property owners seeking extension to Town of Ticonderoga Sewer District Number 5 (Black Point Sewer District):

Owner	Address	Tax Map Parcel No.	Deed Book/Page
	<b>42 BLACK POINT ROAD</b>	<b>150.67-5-8.2000</b>	<b>1967/289</b>
RALPH J. CORBO	42 Black Point Road, Ticonderoga, New York 12883		
JANICE CORBO	42 Black Point Road, Ticonderoga, New York 12883		
KATHLEEN JOUBERT	42 Black Point Road, Ticonderoga, New York 12883		
JAMES CORBO	42 Black Point Road, Ticonderoga, New York 12883		
JOSEPH CORBO	42 Black Point Road, Ticonderoga, New York 12883		

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THOMAS CORBO                      42 Black Point Road, Ticonderoga, New York 12883

MICHAEL CORBO                      42 Black Point Road, Ticonderoga, New York 12883

**36 BLACK POINT ROAD              150.67-5-8.100                      1794/266**

ANGELA M. HAYDE                      115 Waldron Ave, Toms River, NJ 08753 12883

**WHEREAS**, the above property owners are currently connected to the Town's wastewater treatment system but are not currently part of a sewer district; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board wishes to set a public hearing on said petitions.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the petitions are proper; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the proposed extension is deemed to be a Type II action pursuant to the regulations of the NYS DEC in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act at 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(13); and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that a public hearing shall be scheduled for the consideration of this proposed extension to Sewer District Number 9 (Black Point Sewer District) to be held by the Town Board on September 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the offices of the Town of Ticonderoga; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk is direct to post and publish a notice of said public hearing in the official newspaper of the Town at least ten (10) days before the hearing.

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

PRESENT:

Mark Wright, Supervisor	-	Aye
Dave Woods, Councilman	-	Aye
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman	-	Aye
Tom Thatcher, Councilman	-	Aye
Heath Towne, Councilman	-	Aye

**Resolution #354-2025** brought by Mark Wright, seconded by Tom Thatcher authorizing the creation of new accounts:

- H72.0200                      Cash
- H72.0391                      Due From Other Funds
- H72.0510                      Estimated Revenue
- H72.0521                      Encumbrances
- H72.0522                      Expenditures
- H72.0599                      Appropriated Fund Balance

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- H72.0600                      Accounts Payable
- H72.0630                      Due to Other Funds
- H72.0821                      Reserve For Encumbrances
- H72.0909                      Fund Balance, Unreserved
- H72.0960                      Appropriations
- H72.0980                      Revenues
- H72.2401                      Interest & Earnings
- H72.2770                      Miscellaneous
- H72.3089                      State Aid
- H72.5031                      Interfund Transfers
- H72.1420.400                  Attorney Contractual Exp
- H72.1440.400                  Engineer Contractual Exp

**For creation of new project, H72, LaChute Riverfront Enhancement (DRI Riverfront).**

- H73.0200                      Cash
- H73.0391                      Due From Other Funds
- H73.0510                      Estimated Revenue
- H73.0521                      Encumbrances
- H73.0522                      Expenditures
- H73.0599                      Appropriated Fund Balance
- H73.0600                      Accounts Payable
- H73.0630                      Due to Other Funds
- H73.0821                      Reserve For Encumbrances
- H73.0909                      Fund Balance, Unreserved
- H73.0960                      Appropriations
- H73.0980                      Revenues
- H73.2401                      Interest & Earnings
- H73.2770                      Miscellaneous
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- H73.8110.400 Sewer Dist. Contractual Exp.

For creation of new project, H73, Montcalm Streetscapes & ADK Drive to Downtown (DRI Streetscapes).

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

**Resolution #355-2025** brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Heath Towne to offer employment to Morgan Burris as an Activities Attendant at the rate of \$15.50/hour, no benefits.

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

**Budget Workshop #2** (08/27/2024)

- **Highway Budget.**

- A8510 Community Beautification.
  - Raised 8510.463.
  - 8510.469. Requested \$250/person (assume 4 staff).
- A8810 Cemetery
  - 8810.463: vehicle repair/maintenance increase.
- A8160 Refuse & Garbage.
  - 8160.428: Are expected tipping fees C&D still accurate?
- A5010 Highway Admin.
  - No raises for stipends.
  - Pay rates will depend on 2% or 3% by Board.
- A5132 Garage.
  - 5132.440 moved to A.1620.423 per request.
- Use of PT parks/recs for ice rink – discussion.
  - Board decided not to create new PT rink position.
  - Use current parks/recs and evaluate over budget cycle.
- DA5130.463 Request for mini excavator \$75K
  - \$96K already in DA capital reserve
  - Another \$100K to be added for 2026.
  - Recommend purchase through capital reserve and not budget line.
- DA5130.433 Request for \$150K. For what?
- DA Capital Reserve – no change.
- DA Revenue – Review – has this been scrubbed?

- **Water Budget.**

- SW.8340.210: Vac Truck request

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- Split w/W/WW
    - What is functionally wrong with current vehicle?
    - DEC grant available for vac truck AND salt shed.
    - DEC will probably not approve both.
    - NYMIR has consistently identified salt shed as a town liability.
    - See list of information needed for DEC grant provided by Finance.
  - Capital Reserve – Woody Lane. \$100K
  - SW.8320.479 new aqualogics control panel - \$300K from fund balance.
    - \$50K normal budget line item.
    - \$230,000 panel (fund balance?)
    - \$70,000 electrical for panel (fund balance?)
  - SW Debt to cover town litigation on The Portage project.
  - SW Capital Reserves.
  - SW Revenues Consol.
- **Sewer Budget.**
    - SS05
      - 8110.493. Increased.
      - 8120.210: vac truck discussion.
      - 8130.462: Increase for UV bulbs (\$33,000).
      - 8130.465: What drives chemical/industrial gas?
- **Town Clerk.**
    - Wage increase requested – 15%.
      - Rationale should be based on workload, not % above deputy clerk.
    - Dep clerk requested: \$50,711.
      - Rate was already increased to fill position at request of Town Clerk.
      - 3% increase already reflected in 2026 budget.
      - 3% Increase from '24 to '25 is \$41,776 not \$49,233. (wrong \$ input in budget)
- **Planning & Zoning**
    - Requested increase for PZB clerk stipend.
      - Not recommended – stipends should be good for a few years.
      - All stipends are held at current rate.
    - Decreased current attorney amount as recommended.
- **Central Services**
    - 1670.412 Copiers – decrease requested – to what amount?
    - 1620.112 (Lisa): Request increase in hours from 1300 to 1560.
      - How was this calculated?
      - What is justification?
- **Changes Since Workshop #1**
    - All departments and organizations have provided input.
    - Court Security
      - Agreed to use PT officer hired for this purpose.

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- Moved from Court to police @ rate of new officer.
- Hours: 2 to 6 hrs/court each week (assume 6 max + additional 2 for other cases), 52 weeks
- PT Court Clerk
  - Added into budget (10hrs/wk) per Court request.
- Begin process to add Capital Reserve for Kissing Bridge
- Assessor has no changes.
- Ice Rink
  - Use current PT grounds to cover 2025-2026 season.
  - Observe for one budget cycle.
  - Hire new PT staff if necessary, in future.
- **General Comments**
  - Still awaiting:
    - Health insurance and worker comp increases.
    - Governor's decision on EMS exclusion from tax cap calculations.
    - Labor relations contract impact.
    - HR staff review results.
  - Exceeding the Tax Cap
    - Resolution introducing Public Hearing for proposed local law to exceed tax cap scheduled for 9/11/2025 Board Meeting.
    - Hold public hearing and resolution to exceed tax cap set for 10/09/2025.

Workshop closed at 9:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson