

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga 2026 Budget Workshop and Any Other Lawful Business
Commencing at 8:00 a.m. on September 9, 2025**

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

Absent: Heath Towne, Councilman

Others: Becky Norton and Amy Beeman from Finance, Jim & Wendy Davis from Chilson Fire Department, Rhiannon Peters and Dave Burrows from the Codes Office, Bill Dolback for Cemetery and Historian budget and Jim O'Bryan

Budget Workshop #4

Chilson Fire.

- \$2,105 increase.
- **Code Enforcement.**
 - No clothing allowance for 2026.
 - Identification tools – magnet, credentials, etc.
- **Cemetery.**
 - Mount Hope repair discussion.
 - Vineyard/Street Road/Ingalls discussion.
- **Historian.**
- **Updates Since Last Workshop**
 - Updates to Sewer
 - \$33K for UV bulbs removed (pay using fund balance).
 - Water/Sewer Rates
 - Water: From \$133/quarter (2025) to \$140/quarter (2026). Use of fund balance: \$31,300.
 - Sewer: From \$159/quarter (2025) to \$165/quarter (2026). Use of fund balance: \$88,800.
 - C/EL: Rate remains same \$112/quarter (since 2023).
 - These could change based on health insurance rates and other factors, currently unknown, which will affect expenditures.
 - Price per Thousand (subject to change).
 - General: From \$4.97 (2025) to \$5.24 (2026).
 - Highway: From \$2.45 (2025) to \$2.10 (2026).
 - Chilson Fire: From \$1.51 (2025) to \$1.52 (2026).
- **General Comments**
 - Waiting for:
 - Workman's Comp changes.
 - Union changes.

Workshop #4: 09/09/2025 0800-1100
Workshop #5: 09/12/2025 0800-1100
Workshop #6: 09/18/2025 1300-1500
Workshop #7: 10/16/2025 1300-1500
Workshop #8: 10/24/2025 0800-1000

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- Final insurance rates to complete insurance tables.
 - Expected 9/17, mtg w/rep tentative for 9/23.
- Governor decision on EMS exemption from tax cap.
 - Not expected before budget deadlines.
- Ticonderoga Fire District budget.

Workshop closed at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk