Minutes for Ticonderoga 2026 Budget Workshop and Any Other Lawful Business on October 24, 2025, commencing at 8:00 a.m.

Present: Mark A. Wright, Town Supervisor

Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman Tom Thatcher, Councilman Heath Towne, Councilman

Dave Woods, Councilman (arrived at 8:15 a.m.)

Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Others: Rebecca Norton and Amy Beeman from the Finance Department

Workshop #8: 10/24/2025 0800-1000

Budget Workshop #8

Working Adopted Budget

- o Preliminary budget submitted to Town Clerk on 10/23.
- o Tax cap will be filed w/NYS on 11/12 ahead of adopting budget.
- o Adopted budget must be ready for close of the public hearing on 11/13.
 - Already filled out pending changes

Updates Since Last

- o CSEA contract changes.
- o PBA contract changes.

• Union Negotiation Changes

- o Increase A3120.469 (uniform allowance) from \$5,550 to \$9,000 (will be approved in contract).
- o Increase SW.8310.192 (longevity) from \$1750 to \$2350 (estimated increase).
- o Increase SS05.8110.192 (longevity) from \$500 to \$750 (estimated increase).

Amount over the tax cap: \$496,513 (allowable growth: \$116,000).

- o \$397,140: emergency medical services
- o \$167,155: wage increases (before union settlement)
- o \$125,918: workers compensation
- \$ 68,983: additional debt (Portage litigation)
- o \$ 66,000: health benefit increases
- o \$ 44,000: sewer increases
- o \$ 34,500: C&D increases

Miscellaneous

- o 102 Race Track Road Project
 - Voucher completed for first pay app.

Resolution #458-2025 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Joyce Cooper authorizing the Supervisor to execute the annual Physical Examination Agreement and the annual Hepatitis B Agreement between the Town of Ticonderoga and Hudson Headwaters Health Network. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. Dave Woods – Absent. **Carried.**

Town Clerk Tonya Thompson made the board aware that she is still in contact with UVM trying to get the Emergency Drug screening contract rectified. They say they are trying to train the trainer so every one is on the same page at the Emergency Department to carry out these tests when they come to the forefront.

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Other Business

(Dave Woods arrived at the meeting - 8:15 a.m.)

Mrs. Thompson asked if the board would authorize her to publish the annual No parking and Snow plowing announcement. It runs from November 1 to April 1 every year.

Resolution #459-2025 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Dave Woods to advertise the Annual Snow Plow and No Parking announcement in the Sun Community News for the November 1 through April 1 winter season. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk