

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga Regular Town Board Meeting commencing at 6:00 p.m.
held on September 8th 2016 with a PH regarding Sign Regulation**

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

Others: Sal Barnao, Mitch Cole, Ann Dolback, Holly & Dick Dixon, Keith Dolbeck, Vic LaVallie, Albert Powvorsnik, James Cawley, Michael Richardson, Steve Patnode, Bill Grinnell, Chief Johns, Harold Towne

Supervisor Giordano opened the meeting with the Reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the floor to James Cawley.

Mr. Cawley wanted to let everyone know that the tour in the village has taken off and is doing very, very well. We opened the doors on the first of August and we put exactly 2600 people through the door. That is pretty tremendous. He really didn't know what to expect, he knows that Star Trek has a global reach right now of about 45 million people and we have had a lot of media coverage. This morning we hit the front page of the Wall Street Journal. It has been crazy. There are a lot of eyes on it and a lot of eyes on Ticonderoga. One of the things he hears with people coming through the door is, one - why Ticonderoga, so he explains that he was born here, he returned here, he loves this community and that is why it is in Ticonderoga and second - he is hearing that they need places to stay and other things to do. So he just wanted to share that with you, he is sure that you are all aware that this is an issue, but people are asking. The other thing that we are seeing are really big, great positive comments coming back to us on Face book and trip advisor, it is doing very, very well. So for those of you who have supported us, he thanks you very, very much, it does mean a lot to us and we hope to stay in the downtown and have a very positive footprint here in the community. We did the convention in August and we doubled our numbers from last year, which probably doesn't seem like much, but when you realize it is a second year event to go from 300 people to 600 people that is pretty good. We have not gotten the ROOST numbers yet, but does hear that they are pretty impressive as far as the financial impact on the rest of the businesses in the community.

Councilman Taylor mentioned like with Iron Man event a lot of things for accommodations up north are vacation rentals by owner, home away, adkbyowner.com, if you could put a link on your site to those....

Mr. Cawley would like to have the information so he can put a link on it. His face book page has over 200,000 likes and followers right now. Star Trek's 50th anniversary is today, September 8th, it turns 50 years old tonight at 8:30 p.m. We had our morning post and have already hit over 200,000 people liking that post so there are a lot of eyes on this and just so you know, we are the only one in the world, CBS authorized this so the fan base knows about it, we were in Manhattan all weekend for a big event down there for the anniversary. The average wait to sit in our captains chair that we brought from Ticonderoga was an hour for all four days. That is how big the lines were. So everybody knows that we are here, word of mouth is growing every day. He is pretty thrilled for taking a hobby from his childhood and turning it into something that he thinks is going to be long lasting. That aside, he has had problems with vandalism in the parking lot, smashing of

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beer bottles, garbage cans - it is happening every weekend, the Police Chief has helped out a lot so he is happy with that.

Councilman Taylor asked about video, (yes) he asked if William Shatner would show up.

Mr. Cawley stated that they are in negotiations with for Memorial Day Weekend, 2017, he just met him for the first time personally over the weekend in Manhattan. He is 86 years old and acts like he is about 50. He is hard to keep up with. His other issue, as he blames his grandfather and Jim Major because they have kind of re-ignited this love of downtown Ticonderoga in him since he came back and one of the things that he has been trying to do is ask, how do I help downtown, what do I do. He went to Councilwoman Van Wert and a couple of others this past spring and asked if it was ok if he painted the Bi-Centennial Poles and it has been months and months and someone finally got back to him to say hey, we are going to take a couple of them down. That being said it has been months and they look like crap in the downtown, needless to say he offered to pay, he has 20 volunteers, we want to paint them, he wants to restore them, he really doesn't want them gone, unless they are structurally not safe. They are historic, they have been here since at least the 1920's, you all know that. The original purpose for most of the poles on the four corners was directional. We had beautiful signs that said Fort Ti this way, Mt. Defiance this way, Town Beach ... we have nothing, people come into the village and they don't know where they are going. He is going to paint the poles, he told the Supervisor this morning, he is going to paint them, if you decide to take them down later then so be it, but he wanted to be heard. He is going to clean them up, he is going to paint them and he is going to pay to put the signs back on because he thinks we need it in the downtown. He thinks the poles are historical, he thinks they do serve a purpose and we need to go back to that, we need to focus on our downtown. He will leave the Star Trek tour in the afternoon, he personally has been driving around in his car painting all of the fire hydrants. He thinks if we do a dozen little things, it adds up to one big thing in the end and it is all presentation and appearance, he is an entertainer and the first thing people do is look at you. Same thing with our community, what do they see when they come in, they are not seeing positive things. He wants to paint the base of the monument, he knows it is stupid but it should be off-white and it should have the black arrows restored around it. They are there but they are all scrubby and destroyed, so what he is asking is the support of the Town Board. He wants to ask you permission to do these things, he has volunteers totally willing that cost you nothing, he doesn't want this paralysis of indecision where let's study this or lets figure this out. If you tell him no, he is going to find a way to get around it and do it any way.

Councilwoman Van Wert stated that it was not just her that decided this, Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership has a group that looks at streetscape and they also look at signage, there is a task group that looks just a signage - if you are going to put signs up, please work with them because there needs to be coordination and too many signs.....

Mr. Cawley interrupted and stated that what he is talking about is restoring them. He wants to do those beautiful little cast iron things that used to say Fort Ticonderoga with just an arrow....

Councilwoman Van Wert asked that he work with TMSP with this, they try to do things that compliment each other, that go together and they are also the group that recommended having them removed, we were calling them Patriotic Poles. You saw they have been there since the 20's and we have consulted the Historical Society and they didn't think that they were that old....

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Mr. Cawley asked if anyone would like to see photographs...

Councilwoman Van Wert answered great, she can't do all that research, we have to depend on....

Mr. Cawley said of course, trust him, they were there.....

Councilwoman Van Wert stated that if you are going to, please work with them on that, they spent a lot of time reviewing it and making the recommendations to Buildings and Grounds and we discussed it.....

Mr. Cawley interrupted again and said if they decide to take them down, he has no control, but what he is saying is it could take up to two years or more and it has been years since anything has been done to them and it may sound silly but it is all presentation. He will paint them top to bottom, either forest green or black with a gold top and work to put the signs back on - all seven. Tommy Dedrick has agreed to help him with the bucket truck and all of his Star Trek staff will paint, they can be done in a couple of days. He just need the Town Board to say, James go ahead it is fine.

Councilman Taylor what we have already done, resolved to take some down.

Councilwoman Van Wert agreed that we resolved to take three down, there are two here by this building and one over at the Champlain intersection. They really serve no purpose, there are four that have traffic lights on them and we are not touching those. In taking the three down, they were going to be assessed for structural integrity and not just for what is above the ground, but for what is below the ground. The Highway Superintendent is working with the County to see the best way to get them down. It is everybody's decision, not just hers. The Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership looked at this and was looking at it for a couple of years and they have been frustrated too because nothing is happening, so we finally got to the point and said let's take three of them down so the other four we were going to assess. They will have to be maintained, if they look rusty again in two years then we haven't really gained much.

Mr. Cawley stated that we have gained if we have people that will take care of these, so if you want me to be the head of something to take care of them so be it. He wants to make sure that the down town looks nice, he has a vested interest in the downtown looking nice. He has a party of 12 flying here from Ireland folks, Ireland, to come play Star Trek. They are coming from all over the world, it sounds simple, but honestly Star Trek is no different than Americade. If you have money and you want to ride around on a motorcycle because you loves Harley's then you are going to do it, if you have money and you want to go see something Star Trek then you are going to go do it. Doesn't matter if it is Ticonderoga or Lake George or where it is. My goal is to make that a destination so in the summer time there are bodies and they are spending money in this community. That is his goal, but he doesn't want them coming to a downtown that looks dilapidated and terrible and if some of the building owners were here, he would say the same thing. He is very upset with people like Peter Reale, he owns a construction company but he has windows boarded up on his building. It is one of the most beautiful buildings on Montcalm Street, but he can't get it painted. It is just frustrated. These are little things, but maybe if we start fixing some of the little things with some volunteers who will actually go out and do it, it will add up to some big changes in Ticonderoga. Maybe he is a dreamer, he doesn't know.

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Councilwoman Van Wert stated that being a dreamer is ok, but there are a lot of things that bring a lot of frustrations about property owners all over the Town who don't take care of their property, which could be as simple as weeds around the building....

Mr. Cawley asked - "You didn't see me walking around with weed killer on Montcalm Street"?

Councilwoman Van Wert stated that she didn't, but property owners should be doing that themselves.

Councilman Taylor asked what was deemed by the Main Street people, what was the problem with the poles, just their condition, the way they look?

Councilwoman Van Wert stated that they were unsightly.

Supervisor Giordano stated the other issue was structural, but he does not have any objections.

Councilman Taylor's only question is will we be held responsible for anything.

Mr. Cawley stated no, he doesn't want the Town to spend a dime, he doesn't want anything, he just wants the blessing of the board to clean them up and make them look nice again. He even saw the Chief of Police and told him if he wanted to cuff him, go ahead, he is going to do it anyway.

Councilman Taylor said do it, do we need a resolution, or to rescind a resolution?

Councilwoman Crammond stated that when a person that has grown up in Ticonderoga, and his father grew up in Ticonderoga and grandfather grew up in Ticonderoga comes forward and wants to do something that isn't going to cost anyone else in Ticonderoga money, then we are foolish to sit here and argue over oh yes we can or no we can't. She says let's do it.

The board agrees.

Mr. Cawley stated that he doesn't want the town to have to spend money, the point is he wants the town to look better, he thinks they are historical poles. They have been here forever, they were here when my great-grandfather moved here from Elizabethtown. Let's let the tourist's know what they are here for, Fort Ticonderoga is here, Mt. Defiance is here, our beach is here, let's direct them properly. He will certainly work with your TMSP people to do correct signage, he thinks the thing to do is restore them, get the cast iron signs made again, put them on the beautiful little scroll poles they were on and let's keep them. We have lost a lot of our history now.

Resolution #308-2016 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to rescind the Resolution #270-2016 authorizing the removal of the 3 rusty unsightly patriotic poles no longer in use. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #309-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to move forward with painting the metal patriotic poles working closely with Ticonderoga Main Street Partnership and continuing with the study making sure that they are structurally sound. **All in Favor** Joseph

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Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Councilman Taylor inquired about insurance covering these volunteers.

Mr. Cawley assured the board that he carries liability insurance and that will cover his employees.

Keith Dolbeck stated that like Mr. Cawley, he comes from a long line here in Ticonderoga, his great-great grandfather is up there on the wall by the library saying that he fought in the Civil War, his great grandfather was a supervisor here for many years and probably was one of the ones that put those poles up. His great uncle brought the movie house in, so he thinks that it is a wonderful thing that you are offering to do. He appreciates it and he thanks you.

Mr. Cawley invited the board to come on over to look through his studio, you will be impressed with what has been done.

Letter from Stu Baker -- Read by Supervisor Giordano

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September 2, 2016

Ticonderoga Town Board
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Delivered via email

Dear Town Board members:

At your August 11, 2016 regular meeting, the Town Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolution #260-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Fred Hunsdon amending the prior Resolution #259-2016 (not finished) to follow the listed instructions before adopting, amending, repealing or replacing any zoning law, zoning ordinance or any other law dealing with land use rules and regulations:

1. The Town must hold at least two centralized (Town Community Bldg.) informational meetings which are appropriately advertised in the three most widely read newspapers (i.e. Post Star, Press Republican and the Times of Ti Sun) and the two most listened to radio stations (i.e. WOKO, WVMT, NPR and PBS Vermont) prior to any public hearing.
2. Copies of the proposed Town legislation and its rationale must be timely sent throughout the 6 voting districts (i.e. via geographical town meeting organizations, fraternal organizations, local fire departments, Ti Chamber, etc.) and appropriately sent to out-of-town Town Taxpayers prior to holding public hearings on said matters.
3. After holding all informational meetings and prior to any public hearing, an informational public referendum will be held to gauge the people's support for or against a proposed zoning change.

All in Favor Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** - Joseph Giordano - Nay, Chattie Van Wert - Nay. **Carried.**

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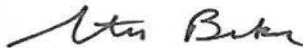
Two current and readily available town board training publications clearly state that advisory referenda are not permitted:

- *On the principle that voters elect government officials to make decisions on their behalf, government officials are not given broad authority to delegate decision making powers back to the electorate. Case law stipulates that a local government must find a specific authority, either in the Constitution or state law, to conduct an official referendum on any subject, and in the absence of such authority, it may not conduct a referendum. A local government may not spend public monies to conduct a so-called "advisory referendum," that is, one conducted to gather public opinion on a particular matter, unless state law specifically authorizes it. [emphasis added] Source: Local Government Handbook, NYS Department of State. 6th Edition, 2009 (Reprinted 2011). Page 87*
- *Advisory referenda. It is a well-settled rule that advisory referenda are not permitted. [emphasis added] (Matter of McCabe v. Voorhis, 243 NY 401; Mills v. Sweeney, 219 NY 213; Kupferman v. Katz, 19 AD2d 824 (1st Dept.); Silberman v. Katz, 54 Misc.2d 956 (Sup. Ct., NY Co.), aff'd 28 AD2d 992) Of these cases, McCabe is the leading authority. The New York Court of Appeals ruled that no referendum can be held by a local government in the absence of the constitutional or statutory authorization. [emphasis added] "Government by representation is still the rule. Direct action by the people is the exception." (McCabe at 413) Thus, in the absence of an express statutory provision, the holding of an advisory referendum by a municipality is not authorized. [emphasis added] (Meredith v. Connally, 68 Misc.2d 956, 960 [Sup. Ct. Renss. Co., aff'd 38 AD2d 385 (3d Dept.)]; Silberman v. Katz, 54 Misc.2d 956 (Sup. Ct., NY Co.), aff'd without opinion, 28 AD2d 992 (1st Dept.); Matter of Town of Halfmoon, 81 Misc.2d 157 (Sup. Ct., Saratoga Co.)) Source: Town Law Manual for Town Supervisors & Town Boards. Association of Towns of the State of New York. January 2004. Page 5*

Neither the New York State Constitution nor Article 16 of New York State Town Law provides authorization for an advisory referendum on adoption of zoning regulations. **Consequently, item #3 in Resolution #260-2016 is very likely illegal, and thus null and void.**

The Town Board should have taken more time to closely review this resolution and had the full benefit of in-depth legal counsel review prior to its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,



Stuart G. Baker

Cc: Tonya Thompson, Town Clerk
Matt Fuller, Town Legal Counsel

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Public Participation

Mr. Dolbeck would like to speak to this letter a little bit. He knows that the Supervisor didn't read all of it, but....

Supervisor Giordano explained that it will be in the minutes.

Mr. Dolbeck (standing at the front of the room) a couple of points with the letter that you were given and the quotes that you were given. 1. Case Law - McCabe: case law is probably as old as

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Mr. Cawley's liberty poles - it was done in 1926 - 90 years ago. He is going to tell you that it has been challenged and the last time was in 2011, the NYS Senate passed an advisory on referendum and initiative 45-15, by a huge amount and basically made the statement to the effect that this process to establish a process of initiative and referendum in NYS is simply good government, it is the type of reform that my senate colleagues and I have consistently fought for and will continue to support so that the voters state wide can be given a more direct and effective voice to further NY's democratic process. Now it did not pass the Assembly, but this is in 2011 but it did pass the senate by a big margin so, he is just telling you that the relevancy of that 1920 law that you are quoted - keep that in mind. With respect to the law there was a couple of key words in there one was the word official referendum and the other was the word referendum and the referendum word in its own right is very nebulous in NYS. So much so that in that same document that was quoted in that letter, it lists four different types of referendums, one is a mandatory referendum which means that whatever the people say, you have to do; the other is a permissive referendum; one is a referendum by petition, and one is a referendum that deals with a discretionary referendum. The advisory referendum isn't even considered because it says there are only four general classifications of official referendum even though they made a mention of the advisory. So keep that part in mind. The other thing is we created our own definition of referendum, we didn't use the referendum definition for the State of NY, we made a definition as an informational referendum and the reason that was done was by design, because we are asking that you hold informational meetings to let people know what is going on and at the end of those informational meetings you can get an idea of whether or not they support whatever you are proposing to do in terms of a regulation for zoning. So you can hold a meeting in Eagle Lake, you can hold a meeting out at the Community Center in Chilson and at the end you can ask for a show of hands. That is an information referendum as we saw it. We were trying to keep it very flexible by design so that you guys aren't handcuffed, so that you had that freedom and flexibility to do that. The other thing is the advisory referendum that was referred to in the letter says that it is to gauge public opinion, this one in the resolution (#3) is not gauging public opinion, it is saying that they are going to ask whether or not the people will support a regulation. You may say that this is semantics, but he is telling you that there is a difference between public opinion and supporting something and he will give you two quick examples. Right now you are playing around with the Storm Water management, the concept of Storm Water management from a public opinion standpoint - he thinks that most people would go along with we have to go along with that we have to do whatever we need to do to keep our lakes clean, but as far as supporting the document that you have in your hand you may find that a lot of people don't want to support it because in an aging community with fixed incomes here people can't afford it. So there is a difference between support and public opinion. Same thing that might go one with the APA, most people feel we need something to protect the Adirondacks so we don't end up like the Catskills, completely wiped out, but you may find a lot of people won't support the APA based on how it is structured, it is a political appointment by the government from metropolitan NY. So there is a difference between somebody's public opinion and what we are asking to support. So while the letter stated that it might be illegal or might be invalid, he is saying he is not sure it is invalid at all. The very last thing is all these referendums say is that you can't spend money to hold a referendum. For one thing if you put that broadcast system in place as was discussed you are putting that into place for information, it is not an additional cost to put on a referendum there and also if you are holding an informational meeting in the Community Center in Chilson it is not an additional cost to ask people a show of hands, how many would support this. So he thinks that what is there does not have to be changed, it doesn't have to be considered null and void and he knows that you may be thinking that I am talking about semantics, but he will guarantee it that Mr. Fuller will tell you that the laws is full of that and the

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reason that lawyers are hired is the interpretations of those very things. It is how you want to interpret things. He does want to tell you something that he thinks is very important, now where this was quoted it came out of this Town Law Manual from the Association of Town's and here is a copy of it and here is where it was quoted (on page 5), but right underneath it was not quoted. "When a town board member votes on a proposal before a town board, he or she is representing through that vote the views of all the residents of the Town. This high personal responsibility that you have accepted rests on individual town board members and it requires that you exercise careful and diligent consideration when making an important decision that will affect the lives of all the people." So without any way to gauge whether or not somebody will or will not support something, how are you supposed to be able to do this? This is your job as a representative, it is your job to go out there and let people know what is going on and make sure that they are fully aware of it and to get their feed back and how do you do that if there is no vehicle for feedback? One more thing to mention that showed up a lot in the last issue that we had, it says that there are many, many reasons for the local officials to encourage citizens to participate actively in local government, including (specifically the second - as this is the one that plagues us) not creating misunderstandings and problems at later stages and that is what happened with the last issue with zoning, there were a lot of misunderstanding because people didn't understand what was going on, so you do have some responsibility and he wishes that part here was quoted right behind there too. That tells you that your job is really to gauge that kind of effort. The last thing he is going to read is from the local government handbook - if the American system of government is to function properly, citizens must actively participate in all operations at all levels but especially the local level. Local officials have the responsibility and the state in keeping citizens fully informed about local programs and activities and giving them clear opportunities to play meaningful roles in determining and implementing local public policies. That is what we got up here and talked about last month. We talked about a way to improve the informational highway so that the people can get up here and actively take a role in it and they can make a legitimate and important decision on a public hearing or a contribution in a public hearing. Now lastly, he did read the letter from Mr. Baker and it appeared a little bit that the board was being chastised for making quick decisions. He wants to tell you that he is here to applaud the decision you made because what you did is said you were standing up for open government, you are standing up for transparency and you guys took the high road and it is good that you did because you guys could have written a letter and said, you had better do better diligence than sending something back to the town before you realized it had mistakes in it. You didn't do that and good for you, because we should treat ourselves interagency and amongst ourselves with stability and respect. He didn't think the last statement in Mr. Baker's letter needed to be there. Let's not be critical of each other. He applauds you and he has talked to a lot of people in the community and he will tell you that they applaud your efforts too. Thanks.

Councilman Taylor stated that most of the things that was proposed in that law, he was here back a number of years ago in the early 2000's when we were in a very hot circumstance with the Killicut Mountain Road and it was about the sanctity of property rights and again we learned some bitter lessons, we went through every court in the land in NYS who reaffirmed how important property rights were. Any vote by this board to adopt some restrictive zoning regulation or amendment without full notification, without letting people really know what is happening and how this board can vote to restrict your property while you have no clue while you are in Florida or on vacation he thinks is wrong. This is why he will vigorously oppose any changes without thoroughly vented or due diligence by our planning board and this town board. The code enforcement officer asked for a three sentence change and they sent back seven pages of restrictive regulation and that is why he

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did what he did. It is not politics, he feels it is very hypocritical of him to vote on something that would restrict somebody's property rights to that extent when he doesn't have.....

Mr. Dolbeck interrupted by saying that you need to be -- if you are going to represent the people, in this area of representation you people are hired or elected by the people to make decisions for them and not necessarily return back to the electric, but it also says that you need to represent the electric and they are saying that they are not necessarily going to support this. That is all that says, it is not a public opinion, it is telling whether or not you support something.

Councilman Taylor stated that this is the way he is putting this forth, there are a couple of informational meetings scheduled right now. One is at the Ti fire house on the 14th which is not an open meeting, it is for the fire department members and Councilman Hunsdon is working on one up at the Chilson Fire Department somewhere the week of the 21st.

Councilwoman Van Wert is not sure of how this will work. When you have these meetings who needs to attend. Do you need a board member there, the clerk there to record the minutes. She can go and say nay they didn't want it when really they did, where is the public record on that and how are you sure that it really is transparent.

Councilman Taylor has asked the Code Enforcement officer to accompany him as he requested these changes. He is the first guy, the first person who can really comment as to the necessity as to why he is requesting this change. He will flush it out and let people say what they want to say.

Supervisor Giordano stated that depending on the people that show up, the representation; that goes back to the question of informing the public so that they as a whole; it is not just a couple dozen people which is typically how it has been at these meetings. Engaging the entire public and that is his concern too, he thinks it goes back to the bigger issue, education, informational communication to make sure people are aware of what is coming before the board so the board is not voting on something just because it is in front of them. Even with this sign law, we are allowing people to come forward to say that they don't care for section 2. whatever and here is why... those are the kind of conversations that we need to be having so we are more informed about the decision that we are making and the public can chime into those conversations and that is not what is happening. So the premise of this is good in terms of improving the relationship between the board and the people that the board serves, but how you go about doing it is where this still needs to be vented out. With everything else that is going on, he is not sure that they can delve into it tonight, but he thinks that it is a conversation that will keep going and just for the record, we are bringing up this sign law again tonight, not to vote on it, but to allow more conversation on it.

Councilman Hunsdon stated that what we are working on right now is more open government because the person with the company that we are talking to right now is called blast and that will give information out to the whole town through all different kinds of venues' - email, telephone, twitter, so on. This will really take care of the situation as far as letting the people know that we have a meeting or maybe you can put more into the announcement of what the meeting will be. We are working on setting up another presentation with this person, it is open to the public.

Vic LaVallie would like to get back to Councilwoman Van Wert's question, back in the 90's when he was on the planning board, for two years we were in the process of developing an APA land use

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program in the Town. We worked on it for 2 years, we had informational meetings, two a month and personally he went himself throughout the communities - Chilson, Street Road and let them know about the APA land use regulations that they were looking at. He wanted to find out what the public wanted for their own land uses, you are the land owners, we need your input. Many times we went back for discussion. It is not a difficult process, we have to start here because we have no other choice at this time, we don't have this Evergreen system, we know we don't have a referendum where the voices are counted by ballot, we know you can't legally spend public monies to get that done. Back when McCabe came out in 1926, they wanted to make sure that politicians didn't spend those tax dollars in a way that was null and void. You can't hold an advisory referendum and spend tax dollars, we are not asking this board to do that. We are saying go to fraternal organizations, he talked to Elliot Shaw today for about an hour about this petition and he was going to come to this meeting with him and at the last minutes something came up so he couldn't come, but he said that he wanted him to go and he wanted him to tell all the members of this town board right here that he thanks you for passing that particular resolution, he says to tell you it has his full support and any time you need him to call him. We have his support, he thanks us, it is a tremendous thing for open town government. We are going to have to go to these communities to number one educate people, you have to have a guy like himself let's say or Mr. Dolbeck; town board members who are really not well informed can't do it. You have to be able to go in and talk to these people. If a lot of people came from all over the place and you have 150 people there, he could go in and speak, Mr. Dolbeck could go in and speak, anyone could go in and speak to educate the people, but those informational referendums where the voice of the people are heard, you can hold that straw pole just like that. This meeting we got right now, we can say that it is an informational referendum meeting - why because something is in the table, you've got a resolution on the table, you have opened the discussion, we have listened to you, you have invited us to speak about that, that is an informational discussion and at the end you guys are required to vote by law. Now you are going to cast your vote, that is required by law, we don't want you to do something illegal, in the future we may have this initiative of referendum passed by the State of NY and then we could put this on the ballot, if we want to spend money to do it. In the meantime, the next level down is to get this communication system, because we could really use that. Before we get that we are going to have to work a little harder at it and we are going to have to put on our boots and we are going to have to call the guys on Chilson and Street Road and tell them we are coming - we can go into the KofC with somebody, we can go into the Masonic Lodge with somebody, we'll go somewhere and we'll start to education these people. We are going to drop the information off, we will talk about it for 15 minutes in one of your meetings and let you discuss, then we will go back in a month and we'll have a little straw pole and he will answer any questions there are. That is our informational public referendum, it is that simple, it is not complicated. It doesn't say, like Mr. Baker suggests that it does, it doesn't say advisory, it doesn't say official, no money is being spent... we made our own definition of an informational referendum and we have discussed this tonight so you know what it all is. It doesn't ask for public opinion. It just asked whether the people support it or not. An advisory referendum that requires that public pole, advisory.. that is an adjective by Webster, support is a transitive verb, there is a big difference between an adjective and an transitive verb. He is not an English teach but all these words have definitions because they all mean different things.

Supervisor Giordano does not think that there is any doubt that having the conversation with the public isn't important. No body would disagree with that. As he sits here, talk about fathers and grandfathers - his father loves sports analogies and he can't think of what right now except for a parent and child analogy... when these decisions come before the board, the board has been elected

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to act as the guardians of the town, the parents so to speak and it is in their best interest to have a conversation with the town to know how they feel and for an analogy; if a parent asked a child if you want to eat a gallon of ice cream, the child will say yes as they have no experience as to what it will be like after they eat it, they have nothing at which to gauge that, the same thing with the public, if we don't discuss these things to discuss the impacts of whatever it is, then a pole of the public's opinion doesn't really mean much. So to the testament of what really needs to happen, in terms of the cart before the horse, there needs to be a process by which - in speaking of Mr. Cawley taking the initiative to do something around the town, we probably should have the same here where the public can go out - someone who wants to champion it like yourselves, who want to champion the zoning because you understand it and want to go out and talk about so you can articulate it with other people and have a conversation and bringing it back here as to whether or not it is valid or invalid. To him it is not so much of the advisory referendum aspect, it is making sure that you have a well informed public that can come here and speak to an issue that needs to have discussion brought to the table. So it is not just us making a decision on something...

Mr. Dolbeck likes the analogy, but there is one bit of a flaw and that is we are not the children anymore, but he knows what you are saying because the public generally doesn't know, but what happens to him right now in the big government in Washington is he thinks people are trying to give us what they think we need as opposed to giving us what we want. So what happens is they try to be the parent so to speak and say this is for your own good, but he is 68 and he can determine what he wants. However he agrees, but back with the other zoning situation, Deb Malaney decided as the supervisor to appoint a review board and he doesn't know if she said to Jim Major - you pick them or whatever, but what he does know what happened is the review board was made up of no one that was on the opposite side, so there was no opportunity to have an exchange. Everybody that was on the review board was in favor of the zoning regulations - those of us that had some issues with it were left off, we couldn't contribute so what was our choice? To show up in this room right here with 150 people. So you are right, we do need to have that exchange..

Supervisor Giordano is still giving this thought as to everything else that is going on, it still needs the process to be better in place. We need to have a process that allows people to understand what it is being proposed and what it is to be in the best interest looking at both pros and cons.

Councilman Taylor stated that if we get this broad blast program and....

Mr. LaVallie interrupted and stated if you get that we will be in business...

Councilman Taylor continues stating that with this we will try to earn the people's trust in terms of communicating things that potentially, depending on what or how much they want to hear, you are going to sign up for what you want to hear about and how you want to hear it. If they want to hear about proposed local laws and changes to local laws you will have that option and you will be communicated with and if you are in Florida or North Carolina this winter

Mr. Dolbeck stated that he was trying to sell a concept, the only reason why that resolution came about is because we mentioned that you guys come and go and we want to make sure that the concept stays in place.

Supervisor Giordano agrees completely. He has learned a lot being on this board and before these meetings he feels he could almost vomit because of all the contention that surround so many issues

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in town and how much of it is based on nothing but what people think and not really discussion the fact of the matter, which is unfortunate because that is what really matters. There really are so many issues that are coming up. These kinds of things intrigue him and sometimes keep him up at night thinking about how can we find a better way and not be so contentious up here because that is no fun and we can make our decisions or make our arguments and support each other on the things that are most important for the town without hindering progress. We are all about wanting to see progress and why hasn't that happened yet, well it is not a very well understand issue. There is no continuity in process, everything changes from board to board.

Councilman Taylor stated that the thing of this is that this document in its entirety was voted down unanimously in 2013 by the Town Board, that zoning re-write. This sign law has 6 or 7 pages of that very document in it and again - absent, that may have gotten adopted at the last town board meeting.

Supervisor Giordano stated that it wasn't going to be, there are probably things from that zoning law that was good, so the question is how do you flush those out, how do you have those conversations to flush those out.

Councilman Taylor stated that before he votes for any changes, somebody that knows their business will need to demonstrate to him the necessity of the change and explain it to him so he understands and that hasn't happened. That is where the ball gets dropped.

Councilman Hundson stated that the point of this is, every time we make a zoning rule or law we are taking the rights away from the people. This is supposed to be a free country so we had better look close before we pass too many of these restrictive zoning laws and so on and so forth, where the people have no rights.

Supervisor Giordano agreed but it works both ways, if you don't have zoning on certain things you have no legal way to say no, you can't do that.

Councilman Hunsdon stated that we have all kinds of zoning right now and we have been living by it for how long, but yet they want to restrict us to where we can't do nothing hardly at all. They want to actually restrict us from doing exactly anything that we want to do, except what they tell us to do and that is dictatorship and that is what it is coming to.

Councilman Taylor asked how many local laws do we have currently, there are volumes of local laws. Go see the Town Clerk, she has binders of them.

Mr. LaVallie stated that we don't do this very often, we don't change zoning laws very often and when it is done it is usually not very significant. This Town has got some issues coming up, you have Storm Water management issues to deal with, with the DEC and your SPEDES permit. You have got that sewer use law on the books, so we have got to have something here..... he has gone through that storm water management and there are two pages of standards there that would blow your mind. There is a condition in there that says before I can sell my house that you have to send a guy out to make sure... once that is adopted..... that that particular property is in compliance with those storm water management regs. and if it costs that guy \$8,000 to bring it up to codes, he can't sell his house before he does. Now that is a bit of communism right there, you are going to have some real problems, you just go out there and throw that thing out at the Planning Board and they

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have sent it back to you, they don't know what is in there, they haven't even read it themselves. He had a Planning Board member tell him himself just the other day, 55 minutes - we looked at the sign regs. and the storm water management and in 55 minutes we approved those... we never read one sentence he said, we didn't discuss that.

Mr. Dolbeck would like to pick up on one thing that was said, if we don't pass the laws we get into problems or we don't have enough way to enforce them.. he remembers Lee Peters came in and said he had been a Planning Board Chairman for 21 or 22 years and he said that the Town Board sometimes gets sold a bill of goods that what you have is not strong, he said that zoning law that is in Ticonderoga right now has never been successfully sued and there have been people that have tried it and he said it has never been successfully sued.

Mr. Fuller stated that this is not accurate.. there has been a couple.

Mr. Dolbeck stated that he was told by Mr. Peters that the zoning law that you have right now is very, very strong and he said if there are areas that are weak then address the weak areas, don't throw out the baby and start over again. He just didn't want you all to get sold on some bill of goods that what you have here already in Ticonderoga is not strong or healthy.

Supervisor Giordano stated that it does deserve having things changed, everything changes. This Town isn't exactly the same as it was 30 years ago so there are improvements along the way and zoning has to help take that into account. The Storm Water management is one of those things that we do have an issue with in this Town. We do have combined sewer system and that is an issue and people have modified areas and have changed flows of the streets water and there has been impacts in other parts of town that have to be handled differently. Who is responsible for that? If a homeowner makes a change to something that now changes the direction in which the water is going and there is nothing in place, the homeowner doesn't have to do anything, they don't have to remedy it and it is now back on the Town to pay for that which means all the tax payers. So it needs to specify exactly who is responsible for what so that those things can be dealt with, and in that particular Storm Water management plan it needs to also go through that vetting process to see what process is going to be implemented. It is not that we are going to adopt the whole document, but you work through those parts. You start off small and work through it.

Mr. LaVallie stated that we may have a couple of ways out to handle the storm water management in the Town of Ticonderoga. He asked former Supervisor Grinnell (who was in the audience) didn't you buy a piece of property for the Town that....

Mr. Grinnell agreed that the Town bought a piece of property that should assist the board a lot going forward. We bought the D&H right-of-way from Champlain Avenue all the way out to the culverts on Route 22, so that storm water from the Mt. Defiance watershed, The Portage watershed, all of that can eventually be picked up on that right-of-way and taken out to Route 22 and discharged..

Mr. LaVallie interrupted that this a lot of storm water management. The other issue is that the piece of property

Supervisor Giordano asked that Mr. LaVallie address the board directly.

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Mr. LaVallie couldn't hear the Supervisor so Mr. Dolbeck asked Mr. LaVallie to not have a private discussion, direct comments to the board.... he added that we have gotten off the beaten track anyhow.

Mr. Dolbeck explained that what is happening here is a very positive thing and you have took at it in a positive way. He is please that the board is listening.

Mr. LaVallie added that this is the first time since 1985 that he has seen a Town Board that is really getting it together with the public and getting the public involved. That resolution right there that you passed, he would dare say, if you are passing a law landmarked zoning for the Town of Ticonderoga, he will tell you that there probably isn't another Town in the United States that has one like it. You really have something there that the rest of these town's around here are going to start looking. This Ever bridge system that you are looking at, there are other towns that are looking at it to solve the same problems that we are talking about here tonight. That would take years to go up through the Supreme Court, if it ever got challenged to say we can't use a system like that.... for spending public monies or whatever that challenge might be. That is a beautiful system that will solve a lot of our problems.

Mr. Dolbeck mentioned that he would like to go to the Ever bridge presentation the next time it is here and that is another very important feature, people seem to think that when you hold meetings out in the community, the negative people tend to show and not the positives so looking at the Ever bridge you are cutting across the whole gamut.

Councilman Hunsdon also mentioned that the other thing that is also in this, if you are a snow bird and have a house up here and you go south in the winter, you can put your address on there --- it is going to be tremendous.

Mr. LaVallie would also like to make this comment, in discussing this issue through Town, he has been asked time after time - who voted how. The ones that didn't vote for this, and he can understand your position and has explained specifically in the comments that we have had, he has been asked why wasn't Mr. Giordano in favor of this, he is supposed to be for transparency...and he told them that the Supervisor wanted a little more time to study it and we'll see what happens at the next Town Board meeting. We are just getting into this thing. He thinks as this goes forward, he is hoping that there are five people up there saying that this resolution is great, it is going to solve a lot of problems for us. The last thing he is going to say - it is something that Mr. Dolbeck left out and he wanted to bring it up real quick is - there are many reasons for local officials to participate accurately in

Mr. Dolbeck interrupted to say that he did read this section.

Mr. LaVallie wanted to add that the comprehensive plan needs to be looked at every 10 years.....

Supervisor Giordano noted that these are a lot of good ideas and they are great, he just thinks.....

Mr. Dolbeck' would like to add in keeping with that if you have people that are excited and passionate about helping, you probably ought to tap them. Mr. LaVallie did a lot of the research that he had read to the board and he has known Mr. LaVallie for many years and he won't tell you

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this but he will, he graduated and entered Clarkson in Engineering as a sixteen year old kid. He has a very good brain and if you have an opportunity, utilize it, put him to work.

Supervisor Giordano suggested that we have another forum to bring these conversations to and then be able to bring a proposal to the board.

Steve Patnode explained that he was here last month to talk about the house on The Portage. He has gone around and talked to a few people, he knows everyone is concerned about what is going to be done. He wants to applaud everybody in the room tonight because - Mr. Cawley has done a great deed in Town, Mr. Dolbeck and all his family has always had a great concern for Ti and he has known them all of his life too as well as they have known his family. Anyways, he would like to know where we are headed at cleaning up the house on The Portage, he has talked with a few of the neighbors and they have also noticed since the summer vacation that the kids have been more sick and had a few more things that he has talked about. So he is bringing this up for a health issue more than anything. He thinks that the Town should really look at cleaning this up as soon as possible because it is a very bad thing. He thinks that what we are all talking about in this room tonight is that we should be together on this. He thinks that everybody should know what is going on. It is very uncomfortable living there right now, he has people speaking to him and asking him how he is doing because it is affecting him. He is doing ok, he is more concerned for the kids on the street and he thinks we should all take a look at what is going on. It really needs to be taken care of and he knows the Town doesn't always have enough funds to clean-up such things, but he thinks we need to think a little bit more about it because it is becoming a great concern. He has talked to Mr. Ball and some other people and that neighbor is still mowing the lawn, it blows up that stuff. He has talked to Jason at the Department of Labor and he said that he has to have pictures and that he has to go through this and that. We all know he is mowing the lawn - all the neighbors, he doesn't need to bring it up or have proof of it, it causes problems, it causes me problems because he breaths it and he can smell it. He spoke to Codes yesterday and a couple of people about putting a fence around it to keep everybody off it, well he doesn't think really spending money on a fence is the smart thing to do especially when a safety fence can cost around eight or ten thousand dollars. So he thinks we should really think about cleaning up the house. He thinks more people are getting to know what is going on and he tries not to be a bad person but this has gotten to the point where it needs to be cleaned up. He has been through many problems over the last couple of years with the DEC and the APA and he is very upset when they come and talk to him about it because it is about his Town and the people who have been in it and run it. It makes him upset. He thinks we all should think about this, he knows he has said it three times, but everybody needs to know that it is going to become serious here soon because more people are going to get sick. These are things that you people might all want to read, they are about him a couple of years ago and he is sure the Town lawyer has seen this, but he wants you five to all see and read this on how he was put.... he was contacted by the investigators and he has contacted them about. There is going to be some action taken. He is going to write a letter, he has to write a letter to you and to a few other organizations to get more funding, whatever it takes to help Wayne and the Town get this along, but it needs to be done. This was a very serious thing from years ago in his life and he wants everyone to know that this is a very serious thing in his heart. He wants everybody to know that and he doesn't want to be coming here. He wouldn't be here if this wasn't the truth about what has happened up there. He has been in business for over 40 years, code enforcement and he has worked with a lot of important people around Albany and the State. He has been in Pennsylvania and in New Hampshire and Vermont, he has worked with a lot of Code Enforcement people, he knows codes. He thinks the first problems we need to fix, is to clean this

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mess up. Let alone what was done to him, which you all have seen and will read. He is not happy about it, there can be certain things done, he doesn't even want to think about it, he just wants the Town to react in cleaning up the house immediately. That is what he would like. He would like it plasticed off and contained. That is what needs to be done. If you think it is not important, come on up to his house in the morning after it storms tonight and sit in his driveway or on his porch and smell it, breathe it, ask the neighbors how they feel about it. It is going to be three years this November, he thinks it is one of the Town's most neglected things around here, out of all the things he has seen. He thinks this community is doing a better job as a whole and he has to agree with the people who have spoke tonight.

Councilman Taylor asked the attorney what needs to happen to clean this up.

Mr. Fuller explained that you need to go to court to get an order, but ultimately it is going to come back to money. It was on the door step a couple of years ago, he drafted a resolution.....(Councilman Taylor asked how much and there is no definite answer)

Mr. Patnode stated that now that everyone knows how serious he is, he is....

Mr. Fuller explained that he has spoken to DEC and they have not moved because they do not have a written complaint.

Mr. Patnode agreed that he has been contacted about that and he is going there next week, this has taken a lot of his time and his effort. He just wants everyone to know that this is upsetting that he has to take his time, that some people here have time and get paid to do this work including the code enforcement people which they aren't up-to-date with their codes. When you work with the other counties, you don't ever see the same code enforcement officers, you don't chase down for electric inspections or CO's, you do here, it needs to be more organized across the board. Information between everyone needs to be brought up to speed around here, because there is a lack of communication all around here. He feels that is the problem and he knows that you guys are trying to do your best, but this is a serious problem. There are 70-80 kids up there, busses go by everyday, he mows the lawn, asbestos and lead are up in the air for 72-80 hours. He need not say anymore about how bad this can be and it has been that way for two years almost three. When a couple of girls saw him on TV they came over to his house and said that they felt they had as much concerns as he and that they will come to voice their opinion if needed or start a petition, whatever is needed. That house needs to be taken care of, it is a problem. He appreciates your time once again. You know what needs to be done and he appreciates your time.

Councilwoman Van Wert asked what we need to do.

Mr. Fuller explained that it really depends on what law you are going to go after. His understanding is that Mr. Ball is going to write a ticket and get them down to court. The second part is to go through the process that we were going to go through in 2014 and hold a public hearing and put the property owner through that process and get a court order to remove it, but ultimately the Town will have to spend that money. Department of Labor did shut this down and the Town will have to go through an asbestos and lead paint analysis and do whatever is required to comply with that. He cannot tell you all what the cost of that will be. The investigator was clear though, they do not have a written complaint from anybody to investigate it.

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Mr. Patnode stated that they are going to get one. He has been sick the last few days and was supposed to go over yesterday, yeah everybody is going to get a letter. He is the one that is going to be the bad guy and he is going to be the good guy. This is a sad situation. Let him ask the board this, how can anybody in this room who have known all this time (especially the Town Attorney) the health issues that have been brought up and you don't do nothing for two years almost three. If we took someone up there and took samples we could sure see it flying. He knows, he has been around it and he has also contained it, it is very expensive.

Mr. Fuller noted that he must understand something, he acts on what the board asks him to.

Mr. Patnode understands - this is just the position that he has been put in and the attorney has known longer than this board.

Supervisor Giordano asked if he will file the complaint, and that will start the process.

Mr. Patnode will...

Mr. Fuller stated that to say that we didn't do anything, the prior supervisor may have something to say to that. He did tow that line to try to get that building taken down.

Mr. Patnode exclaimed, "He tried to take it down", whoa, wait a minute, he didn't take it down - he took taxes from Mr. Thompson, gave him a 210 and let him start throwing that stuff out the door, that is what happened.... (from the audience - 'pardon me' {from Mr. Grinnell} 'pardon me' - would you care to repeat that, I want to be sure the clerk has it down).... he heard what I said.

Mr. Grinnell stated "That is a lie."

Supervisor Giordano stated that we are going to work through this process and we'll get back to you. There has been conversation with the DEC recently. He understands that this is affecting you and we will try to resolve it.

(In audience - Mr. Grinnell stated you are a 'dirt bag' and then repeated louder - 'You are a dirt bag' to Mr. Patnode as he was starting to leave the room)

Mr. Grinnell wanted to apologize first to the board, there was a lot of conversation earlier tonight about getting half the story and that is exactly what you just got. He stated that he would get a hold of Supervisor Giordano and explain just what upset him so specifically tonight. It does not change his opinion of the individual that was here, but he does not want to reflect on you.

Public Hearing

Sign Regulations

Mr. Dolbeck wanted to let the board know that he did get a call from a Planning Board member and this was really a question that might be for the Town Attorney. What he said is (about the electronic sign) right now the electronic sign law is under the Site Plan Review and he said the town is not responsible to abide by Site Plan Review Law. So he said the Town doesn't have to deal with it's own Site Plan Review Law, so if the Town wanted to buy the sign and put it up on

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the corner up there, they could do so and it wouldn't be an issue because the Town doesn't have to abide by its own Site Plan Review. So his question is, if it gets put into the zoning regs and is taken out of Site Plan Review, does the Town still have that flexibility? Can the town ignore it's own Zoning Law.

Mr. Fuller explained that the Town is not regulated by it own zoning in the municipality of where you are. When you get outside your own municipality, different rules apply.

Mr. Dolbeck continued, so the electronic sign is not allowed, but if the Town wanted to still purchase a sign and put it up there and deal with the administration of it, that would be allowable. He didn't really like these sign regs but apparently they are irrelevant.

Mr. Fuller further explained that if it wasn't that way, you can imagine every stop sign, street sign, directional sign in the Town would require Site Plan Review.

Mr. LaVallie would like to know where we are headed with this, are we going to send them back to the planning board to get them changed.

Supervisor Giordano explained that right now we are letting it sit for a while, he is trying to solicit comments from the public, so if they have something they would like them to come forward.

Councilman Taylor stated that this is what he asked for, he is of the understanding that codes enforcement asked for section 5.6 and we ended up with 6 pages.

Mr. Fuller does not know if there was truly an understanding of where those sign regulations were located. Previously, people thought that they were in the zoning and they are not. That 5.6 of the zoning law - isn't a sign ordinance. It says to comply with the Park Commission or the APA.

Mr. Grinnell explained that one of the two things he will mention is when this was brought up a year or so ago, there were a number of complaints from a particular segment of Ticonderoga in regards to the electronic sign, it was more a function of how it was used, than it was there and existed. He thinks if the board wants to do an electronic sign, if they are careful in how it is programmed and what it is accessed for, it could be a great thing for the Town. The other thing is he would question, you have a zoning document that was resounding rejected by the community, that was brought forward by the planning board and they were asked to come up with some suggestions to correct some problems with signage and they immediately came back with the same rejected document. He would wonder if you may not want a lot of fresh blood and ideas on your planning board because quite frankly for them to keep running out the same thing over and over seems a bit of an embarrassment. If that is the best ideas they've got, maybe we need some new people and new ideas.

Mr. LaVallie thinks that procedure that is in there that states the Town must send the Planning Board the plans - you should make that optional. Give yourself the opportunity to send it to them or not send it to them. You got a clearly non-functional Planning Board here to his estimation. They are not accepting their responsibility like they should, the Town Board relies on that Planning Board a lot and you just got back a bunch of garbage and we've been to three hearings now and we are still waiting for some of this stuff, you know to rise to the top here, so we can see exactly what is happening. He thinks we should go ahead and change that, it would be his

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recommendation to the Town Board to change that procedure to require the planning board to review.

Mr. Fuller stated that we are actually trying to amend the wrong law to begin with here, it should be in Site Plan Law. What needs to be decided is are you going to leave this in the Site Plan Law or are you going to move it to the Zoning Law. It is different teeth, in the Zoning Law if you can't comply with the Sign law you have to get an area variance, in Site Plan Law you don't the Planning Board can waive that on their own right now.

Mr. Dolbeck asked if there was something in Zoning that says if the Town is going to consider a change or amendment in zoning they have to send to the Planning Board? (Yes) This is what Mr. LaVallie is talking about.

Mrs. Thompson interrupted and said then really we should close this public hearing and announce a new one for an amendment to the Site Plan Law. When this Public Hearing was being put together she understand from the Zoning office that this is where the sign section should be amended - in the Zoning Law.

Mr. Dolbeck feels that the section should come out of the Zoning Law that says you have to send something to the Planning Board. This board can make it's own decision, you can take that out of the Zoning Law and make a little more flexibility for the Board.

Mr. Grinnell stated that this would call for a full amendment to the Zoning Law.

Supervisor Giordano would like to set up workshops to go over these laws.

Close the Public Hearing on signs at 7:40 p.m.

Report from Department Heads

Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Regarding the Resolution that was discussed at the beginning of this meeting - it has been stated that it is so simple it is ridiculous and that it is now an administration issue. She needs an administrative decision on the specific direction as to how to carry out the what is stated in the resolution, not only does she not have access to 'out-of-town' residents addresses, but it is very time consuming and expensive to do a mailing of this size, in addition, it is not up to her to choose from the examples given what are the best/correct radio stations to advertise on, that is the board's decision.

Councilman Taylor stated that this is still a work in progress.

Mrs. Thompson explained that the resolution was passed, and it is now part of her job duties. Right now, she is not doing her job as described per this board resolution.

Councilman Taylor stated that right now we have volumes of laws on the books that are not being followed to the letter.

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Mrs. Thompson stated that she does not administer those laws, this resolution specifically is regarding her job duties.

Councilman Taylor would like to do these meetings that have been scheduled and maybe we can kill this thing right then and there. If there is support or momentum then we will go to the next level.

Mrs. Thompson explained again and will put it in the record that she cannot fulfill the duties of sending copies of proposed Town legislation and its rationale to out-of-town tax payers at this time, nor does she know what are the most commonly listened to radio stations.

Councilman Taylor stated that is fine, it isn't ready to be acted on.

Mrs. Thompson again explained that you resolved this, you passed it, it falls on me and it is my job now to carry it out and I cannot do it the way it stands right now.

Mr. Dolbeck asked the board if they could make an amendment to the resolution to make it effective down the road, maybe when you get the Ever bridge program up and running. Nobody wants you to kill yourself trying to do this.

Resolution #310-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to amend their Resolution #260-2016 to be effective January 1, 2017 regarding instructions before adopting, amending, repealing or replacing any zoning law, zoning ordinance, or any other law dealing with land use rules and regulations. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorsey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Mr. LaVallie had one more comment, that letter you got from Mr. Baker is completely non-relevant, relevancy period with that resolution we passed - put that in the minutes. (?)

Committee Reports

Public Safety - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

Public Safety Minutes August 29, 2016

Members Present: Councilman Hunsdon, Chief Johns, Commissioner Lauman, Supervisor Giordano, Don Paige, Ross Kelly, Dave Woods, Bill Ball, Danielle Holman, Matt Watts and Ron Drinkwine

Guest Present: Lance Clark

Councilman Fred Hunsdon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fred started the meeting by asking Mr. Clark to speak. Mr. Clark started by saying that he was asked to work on a grant for \$75,000.00 to perform work on abandoned properties. He gave a description on how this would work and what the requirements would be. He stated that it would be a good process to help in stopping foreclosures from happening and maybe even getting the town lawyer involved. He also stated that the town lawyer would more than likely be involved in the code enforcement side. He stated that even a lien may be able to be put on the property to help the town defer the cost involved. He stated that the chances of getting the grant are about 50-50. Mark asked, who was the administrator of the grant? Mr. Clark stated that the town would be the administrator. Dave stated that legal fees could be a big part of the

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cost. In regards to this Fred asked about the new laws coming into effect in January. Mr. Clark explained the responsibilities would be that of the banks and the town.

Mr. Clark then stated the success of the Star Trek weekend went extremely well with all of the help of all the town parties involved. He stated that there was a crowd of over 600 people with an estimated direct financial impact to the town of \$110.00 with about \$240,000.00 total with about a total of \$400,000.00 which includes motels, restaurants etc. Mr. Clark also said that the Trek building is open six days a week and is doing pretty well.

Chief Mark Johns was the asked to speak. He started by saying that it was a very busy month for the officers. He stated that there was very significant progress on the cases. Mark said that the burglaries were the most significant areas with arrests being done on late night burglaries at the Hot Biscuit Diner and the Rite Aid Store. Mark then stated that the officers are working diligently on all of the vandalism crimes and that they do have some suspects. Mark asked if there has been any progress on the signage for downtown parking. Fred said that the highway department is looking for the signs to put back up. Another area of concern is the intersection of Rte. 74 and the Corduroy Road. Just this week there was another tractor trailer that went off the road and blocked traffic. We need to have the town board work on this letting the entities involved with the high way in this area rectify this issue in a timely fashion. Mark stated that our K9 is on a small vacation where he is recovering from surgery for a small bone fragment that was removed from his front elbow. Tusko will be a 100% when he comes back. Mark next stated that he was going to talk to some establishments in helping to stop the trashing of downtown Ticonderoga on the weekends. There was a lot of discussion on this.

Finally Mark would like to give a huge kudos to Sgt. Quesnel for going above and beyond his duties in helping a young college student, who was in a car/deer accident, and was from Conn. Her truck was full of her belongings as she was headed back to school at UVM. Dale contacted his son Dale to gather her belongings and to give her a ride to UVM. The mother of this young lady came to the station to thank Dale for what he did. Mark stated that he was going to put a letter of commendation in Dale's file for doing this kind act.

Margaret brought up that she has had many complaints about speeding on the Putts Pond Road and Veterans Road. There was a lot of discussion on this and Mark stated that his people are issuing tickets when they can and that they are also talking with these people and their parents and even some of the town officials are talking to these people who are speeding. Mark said that soon he should be able to pull his people from problematic areas and do more road patrols.

This record's clerk would like to thank Chief Johns for making a Safety Meeting Agenda that everyone, I would hope, will follow.

Chief Watts was then asked if he had anything. Matt stated that they have been very busy and also doing a lot of training especially one that was a very intense extraction class. Matt also stated that a pumper was put on line that was being worked on for quite a while.

Dave Woods was then asked if he had anything. Dave said that it was brought up by the members that they were having a lot of trouble finding places because there were no house numbers or they could not be seen. All of the committee members stated that how important that this is because much time could be saved in helping a critical person that needed to get to a hospital or a small fire that could stay a small fire if it was gotten to in a hurry and even a person that may be involved with a police action where time could be very critical. Fred said that he would bring it up to the Chilson Fire Department and Dave said the whole town needs to be taken care of. Fred asked if there was a law in regards to signage and Bill Said Yes. Joe asked if a press release could be done to make people aware. Fred said that he would ask the Chilson Fire Department if they could help. Chief Johns asked Ron

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Drinkwine and Danielle Holman if we could put together a press release. This was completed and sent to the Paper on 9-2-2016 (see Attached).

Next Fred asked bill to speak for Code Enforcement. Bill stated that the complaints had slowed down. He also stated that there was no new houses going up but that there were a few garages. Fred asked how the building was coming on the Bear Pond Road. Bill said that they were doing a nice job on this. Bill stated that he had one major project going on, the Emergency Helicopter service. Bill stated that this project was taking quite a bit of time but was moving quite well. Ron Drinkwine asked if Bill could bring everyone up to date on this project. Bill stated that there were multiple locations that are going up around the North Country. Ron stated that Medicare and other insurance supplements do not pay for Helicopter service and if they did the amount of money the patient has to pay is quite large. Ross Kelley had stated that he had heard the same thing. Ron had also heard that Lamoille was moving out of Ticonderoga and that would give little option to the seniors for transport. Matt stated that Lamoille was not entertaining moving out of tow unless the helicopter service took too much business. Bill stated that this wasn't in his job to concern himself with these problems but he had also heard that it could be very expensive. The company went to the town board with this project. Fred said that they can put the helicopter in Ticonderoga as long as they get the permits to have it here. Joe stated that the hospital would make the call rather or not the helicopter was needed for a transport. There was a lot more discussion on this subject.

Fred spoke for the Chilson Fire Department. Fred stated that he was setting up an informational meeting date for whatever laws have been updated or changed regarding zoning and things like that so people will know and are made able to voice their opinions. Bill stated that one of the things that will be discussed will be the local law providing for the administration and enforcement of the New York State uniform fire prevention and building code. Copies of this law can be found in the Town Clerk's office. Dave asked that as part of this law, that goes into effect on October 30th, that there will not be any unregistered vehicles allowed on anyone's property. Bill said that they are still working on this law and that this section may be changed. Fred said that he will have copies of anything that needs to be discussed at this meeting. Joe said that it will need to be clarified when and who these meetings are for.

There was a lot of discussion on a new communication tool that the town is considering and further meetings will be set up to clarify this.

At this point Fred asked if there was anything else and then adjourned the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:18pm

Next Public Safety Meeting will be held in the basement of the Community Building at 5pm on

September 26, 2016 Minutes prepared by Ron Drinkwine - Records Clerk -Ticonderoga Police

Department

Chief s Monthly Report

August 29, 2016

➤ **Monthly Activity**

June 28th through July 25th

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® 16 Criminal Arrests/ 40 Charges (7 Felony, 19 Misdemeanor, 6 Violation)

■ 17 Traffic

Tickets

Issued ■ 2

DWI Arrests

■ 14 Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated

■ 351 Calls for Service

A Felony Investigations

- Commercial **Burglary** Arrests -toot **Biscuit Diner & Rite Aid** ® 4 **Drug/Marijuana Arrests**
- 3 **Sex Crime Investigations**
- ® **Vandalisms - Pending Investigation**
- o **New Animal Control Law - Arrest for Abandonment of Dog Pending Investigation - Shots fired at a Residence**

➤ **Pending Projects/Other Items for Discussion**

■ **Complaints on Downtown Parking - Signage - Update** ■ **Corduroy Road/Route 74 Intersection**
■ **Tusko "Vacation"**

■ **Litter Complaints Montcalm Street**

■ **Departmental Bills For Payment:**
o **Pending**

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Ticonderoga Public Safety Committee		
Agenda		
August 29, 2016		
Department	Items	Time
Public	• Public Wishing To Address Committee	5:00 PM
Police Chief Johns	.	5:10 PM
Ticonderoga Fire Chief Watts	.	5:25 PM
Ticonderoga EMS Dave Woods	.	5:35 PM
Code Enforcement CEO Ball	.	5:45 PM
Chilson Fire Councilman Hunsdon	.	6:05 PM
Other Comments From Committee Members	.	6:10 PM
Adjournment	• Next Meeting Sept 26, 2016 5:00 PM	6:30 PM

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At the August 29th meeting of the Public Safety Committee it was brought to our attention by the Fire Department, Ambulance Squad, and Police Department that many of the Buildings in Ticonderoga are not numbered with 911 addresses. This makes responding to an Ambulance/Fire call extremely difficult to do in a timely manner. Imagine if your loved ones life was on the line and the ambulance/fire truck was even one minute too late to help because they could not find the address they were dispatched to through no fault of their own. Both the New York State Building Code and Essex County Local Law require structures be labeled with the correct 911 address.

- (a) A number shall be prominently placed on the front (road side) of every house or structure having a separate address number.
- (b) Mailboxes shall be marked with the house/structure number if the box is in front of and on the same side of the street as the house/structure.
- (c) If the house/structure is not visible from the road and no mailbox is beside the driveway leading to the house/structure, a sign or number post shall be erected to display the number. This sign or number post may display the number either vertically, from the top down, or horizontally.
- (d) The structure number must be placed high enough so that it will not be obscured by snow during an average winter.
- (e) The structures number must be visible from the street or road, and shall not be or allowed to become obscured by trees, brush or otherwise.
- (f) The number shall be reflected. Four (4") inch size, and if affixed to a mailbox the number shall be on both sides. The number shall have a minimum stroke width of .5 inch. The town is asking/expecting full compliance with these laws and asks that anyone who needs help in anyway please contact the Police at 585-2205, the Fire Department at 585-7771, the Ambulance Squad at 503-5055, or the Senior Center at 585-6050.

**Building, Grounds, Parks, Recreation, Historical Lands, Monuments, Beach, Cemeteries -
Chattie Van Wert, Councilwoman**

September 7, 2016

Mr. Joseph Giordano, Town
Supervisor Town of Ticonderoga
132 Montcalm Street
Ticonderoga, NY 12883

RE: Award Recommendation
Town of Ticonderoga and PRIDE of Ticonderoga
Community Center & Armory Accessibility
Improvements AES Project No. 4451

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Dear Joe:

We have reviewed the Bids for the above referenced project and find the lowest responsible bidder to be Hayes Contracting of Crown Point, NY. This results in the total contract award amount of \$117,700.00 (Base Bid including \$15,000.00 Contingency Allowance and \$1,000 Testing Allowance).

We therefore recommend the Town of Ticonderoga Award the Accessibility Improvements project to Hayes Contracting, in the amount of \$117,700.00 and direct AES Northeast to provide the Contractor with a Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed, whereby the Contractor will obtain Insurance Certificates/Bonds and execute the Agreement with Owner. In the meantime, we will also schedule a Pre-Construction Conference.

Resolution #310-2016 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Fred Hunsdon awarding the ADA accessibility project for the Armory and Community Building to Hayes Contracting in the amount of \$117,700. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

The State and Municipalities Grant (SAM), AES is working on a contract for services to complete bid documents and schedule for work on this Community Building.

Town of Ticonderoga
Buildings & Grounds / Parks & Rec. Committee
Meeting 8/16/16 – 8:30 AM
Community Building Meeting Room

The meeting started at 8:30 with the following committee members present: Rich Holmberg, Joyce & Gerry Cooper, Tonya Thompson, Bill Dolback and Chattie Van Wert, Chair.
Absent: Wayne Taylor, Sharon Reynolds, Les Bilow. Others Attending: Fred Hunsdon & Joe Giordano.

Armory: Bid specs have been sent out for the CDBG project and responses are due 8/24. Grant requires construction to be completed by Nov. 2016, time is of the essence. The Youth Commission is considering moving the K-5 After School program upstairs during the construction if necessary & is also checking with Silver Bay. Tonya will check with Essex Co. to determine the status of the Armory as an Emergency Shelter. The large blueprint cabinet has been moved to the Community Building, now clerical staff can sort & index the prints. Chattie will contact Alfandre Architects for digitized versions of the buildings they studied. Seniors have requested tape be put on the gym floor to designate pickle ball courts, given it causes no damage to floor finish.

Beach: Installation of hand-dryers required by NYSDOH is nearly complete. The Beach will officially close for the year on 8/23/16. Tonya will request water be shut-off and Beautification will remove the lifeguard chairs immediately following closure. Tables will remain thru the fall season. Joyce will talk with LGA regarding rain garden maintenance. Installation of a wheel chair accessible mat will be deferred to spring 2017, new sand for the playground has not been delivered yet, Sal will

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notify Rich so it can be spread in needed areas. Nets and swings identified as hazards were replaced/repaired.

Chattie will work on a press release regarding the problem of dog waste in Pocket Park & other Town properties. Committee members will provide input by Fri 8/19 for inclusion. Mo O'Connor will be contacted as well.

BiCentennial Park: TMSP continues to emphasize the need for electric service to additional poles, the Town will supply the parts and materials needed, Wayne Taylor has found a volunteer electrician to do the work. Tonya, Joyce and Bill will pursue a plan for installing bollards and the placement of new and current signs. Rich has filled the hole near the path but there are many areas in the park needing new soil to cover areas of exposed stone and brick. Chattie will contact Dave Reckahn regarding grant funds available to Ti that must be used soon. Gerry and Joyce will bring Rich the new piece of playground equipment purchased by Kiwanis that needs to be installed. Sal will deliver pea stone to playground area and notify Rich when it is available to be spread. The gazebo will be stained in October.

Little League Field: Pickle ball courts have been painted in a non-fluorescent color which the contractor indicated would bleed into the court. Cracks have also been filled. Tonya will pursue the replacement of missing bases. Joyce and Rich will continue to pursue placement of an additional concrete pad for an outhouse that is more visible to the third field, the cost is \$105/month for 6 months. Bill will talk with Derrick F. regarding watering options for Champlain Legacy Park.

Black Watch Library: Joyce (TMSP) reported the bench and trash can have been received. Rich will schedule Scott to install the concrete pad and will determine exact placement with Joyce. Rich replaced the broken picnic table. Chattie will follow-up with Heather regarding grant potential from the library system to do work identified by Alfandre. Committee recommends the Library Board incorporate low maintenance plantings around building to enhance its appearance.

Commerce Park: DeFranco Landscaping submitted a bid to remove all current plantings and replace with appropriate low maintenance plantings for the area around the entrance sign as a 2017 project.

Community Building: ADA project status reported w/Armory. The Town Board approved \$250K funding for work supplemented by the \$200K NYS SAM Grant. Going out to bid was also approved, after we receive the go-ahead from NYS to spend \$ on the project. Bill will put together a 90th anniversary celebration task force and budget for 2017 and Joyce will work with him. Chattie will ask DeFranco to redesign landscaping/plantings for front of building to consider new sign placement and lighting of the flag pole.

LaChute: No update

Montcalm St.: The Town Board approved removal of the 3 patriotic poles no longer in use. Chattie will pursue the appropriate manner of removal and will talk with Essex Co. regarding the traffic lights being held up by the remaining 4 poles. After removal, the structural integrity of the poles will be assessed wrt to the safety of the remaining poles. Thanks to TMSP, the scraping and repainting of the clock is finished and Rich will schedule Scott to install stonework around the base to enhance

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appearance and reduce maintenance. Matt Courtright of TACC asks that all Town crews make the appearance of Montcalm St. and entrances to Town a priority in their work.

Charlie will be asked to test his recommended fix for flag pole lighting on one pole.

Parking Signage: Joyce will attend the next Highway meeting to discuss parking issues behind Pocket Park and placement of designated parking signs.

1888 Building: New exterior lighting has been installed. Public restroom sign is requested for the basement, Tonya will look into a stencil for the inside of the door, visible when it is open for public use.

Streetfest: Beautification and Highway crews, along with Police Dept. all did a great job in clearing the streets of debris and cars, as well as delivering and picking up tables and trash cans for the event. Good team effort!

Budget: The Town's preliminary budget is due in the Budget Office by 9/16 but please submit for discussion prior to that date with as much detail as possible. Committee recommends the Town develop the capability to track expenses according to buildings, beach, park etc. so expenses can be more accurately and easily be identified and tracked for each specific asset.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday Sept. 20th, 2016 at 8:30 AM in the Community Building meeting room. Thank you all for your participation and good work! The meeting ended at 11:20.

Ticonderoga Cemetery Board
Hancock House
August 18, 2016

The meeting was called to order by William Dolback at 5:40 PM.

In attendance were William Dolback, Dick Connors, Sandra Trepanier, and Town of Ti Board Representative for Cemetery Committee, Fred Hunsdon. Lois Gunning was excused. Bill made a motion, seconded by Dick to approve the minutes of the March 17th meeting.

Motion Carried

Paving: Bill presented the financial report for purchase order report, showing \$7,995 that has been appropriated for paving at Mt. Hope.

We have a vacancy on the board, Dorcey Crammond's term was concluded July 2016. Judy Keller's name was presented as a possible replacement. We will check into this. She was on the board a few years ago.

Signage: Bill made a motion, seconded by Dick Connors that signs be placed in the cemeteries to read "Dog Control Law 1-2016 No dogs allowed in Town Owned Cemeteries"

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Motion Carried

Vault Repair: Scott Manning has been repairing exterior of vault where needed, inside is still in process. Kneeling soldier wall is being repaired.

Town Computer: Pontem software for cemetery is now possible for Bill to use. This has been unusable for quite some time. The technician set up Bill's computer to access this at the town.

Lot Prices: It was discussed to increase lot prices to be more in tune with St. Mary's and Valley View. This will be brought up at the next meeting.

New Business: Deeds need to be updated. Columbarium hasn't been made use of and Bill will make an inquiry from _____ as to a possible sale.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM. The next meeting will be October.

Public Works - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

**Town of Ticonderoga
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes
August 30th, 2016 – 8:00 am**

Present: Supervisor Giordano, Derrick Fleury, Tracy Smith, Matt Fuller (*Town Attorney*), Wayne Taylor, Sr. and Nancy LaVallie

Others: Todd Hodgson (*AES*), Fred Hunsdon, Sr., Chattie VanWert, Jody Olcott (*Essex Cty. IDA*), Donna Wadsworth, and Rin Fraize

Pledge

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

Items for discussion:

1. Thomas LaPointe Easement – Status of sketch to include with the easement paperwork
 - a. Matt stated that Todd and the AES team will need to create the sketch.
 - i. Todd confirmed that they will work on getting the sketch completed so that the easement can be finalized.
2. Bill Grinnell – Mt. Hope Avenue
 - a. Supervisor Giordano asked Matt if there were updates on Mr. Grinnell's request for extending the septic line he had installed into the district.

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- i. Matt stated that he had talked to Mr. Grinnell last week, and the process will get done eventually. However, other priorities have arisen with the Town that need attention first.
 1. Mr. Grinnell will work on putting together a list of the properties that would be affected, which will move the process along.
3. Delano Point District
 - a. Tracy and Derrick addressed the Committee in regard to the Delano Point District, and asked for confirmation that the Gedeiko and Breed property were included in the finalized map plan and report.
 - i. They stated that the owners of the Breed property have asked how they can get into the Town's sewer district as they currently do not have access.
 - ii. Matt confirmed that both the Gedeiko and Breed property were within the district. Further follow-up is needed specifically with the Breeds on what next steps could possibly be taken to gain access.
 1. Derrick and Tracy will research the options.
4. Water testing for the Ticonderoga Beach
 - a. Wayne asked Derrick if the water has been tested at the Ticonderoga Beach.
 - i. Derrick confirmed that testing has been done, and there was no presence of coliform.
5. Renee Scuderi – 146 Race Track Road
 - a. Ms. Scuderi contacted the Town in regard to obtaining a reduction on her water and sewer bill as there is only one unit being utilized, but she is being billed for three units.
 - i. After the Codes Office did an inspection, they confirmed that two units have been removed (One due to a fire, and the other due to flooding), and that only one unit is occupied.
 1. The Committee recommends to the Town Board to change Ms. Scuderi's bill to reflect a one unit charge for water and sewer.
6. Dale Quesnel – 45 Lord Howe Street
 - a. Mr. Quesnel is currently being billed a vacant lot fee for both water and sewer.
 - i. There is now a mobile home on the property with someone living there.
 1. The Committee recommends to the Town Board to change Mr. Quesnel's bill to reflect a one unit charge for water and sewer.

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7. Marion and Irving Bailey – 32 Outlet Drive

- a. As per the July 26, 2016 Water/Sewer Committee Meeting, a letter was sent to the property address in regard to the water service line leak, and also included an estimate for the Town to repair the leak.
 - i. The information was returned by the Post Office.
 1. Derrick confirmed that the water line has since been capped, and Matt stated that even though the official bill will be returned as well, to send it to the property address and to keep the information on file as a record of the work that had been done by the Town, and the expenses that had been incurred.
 2. As this property is out of district and under a water service contract, the Town will treat the contract as terminated and no more water bills will be sent. If in the future there is a new owner of the property, a reconnection fee would be charged.

8. Richard Nock – 40 Defiance Street

- a. The Codes Office stated that 40 Defiance Street is occupied by Mr. Nock when he is town. Currently Mr. Nock is being charged .25 for water and sewer.
 - i. The Committee recommends to the Town Board to change Mr. Nock's bill to reflect a one unit charge for water and sewer.

9. Patricia and Keith Osier – 1948 NYS Route 74

- a. Mr. and Mrs. Osier have asked for a reduction on their water bill as there currently is a structure on the property that they hope to tear down in the fall, and stated water has not been used since they purchased the property in 2013. The property is under a water service contract.
 - i. After a brief discussion, the Committee asked for further clarification on whether or not they would like a reduction, or if they would prefer to have the water service contract terminated.
 - ii. Once clarification is given by Mr. and Mrs. Osier, their request will be reviewed by the Town Board.

10. Adjustments to Water/Sewer Accounts

- a. Matt confirmed that the Committee can only recommend changes to billing records to the Town Board, and cannot make changes without the Board's approval.
- b. Once approved by the Board through a resolution, a letter would need to be mailed to the property owner stating the reason for the change to their bill.

Water/Wastewater Supervisor's Report – Tracy Smith

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1. WWTP Generator
 - a. The WWTP generator has been being fixed by Kingsley, and is currently working well.
2. Electrical Evaluation by AES
 - a. AES has been at the WWTP starting an evaluation of the current electrical system.
 - i. Tracy stated that the Town Board should be made aware of the big decisions that will need to be made.
 1. Todd mentioned that AES will create a formal plan that the Board can review.
3. Boiler Maintenance
 - a. Tracy stated that there has not been maintenance done of the boilers, and it really needs to get done.
 - i. Stants Combustion Associates, Inc. is the company that would do the maintenance, and \$1,500 was budgeted to get it done.
 1. The Committee agreed to move forward on getting the maintenance done.

Deputy Water/Wastewater Supervisor's Report – *Derrick Fleury*

1. Baldwin Road Panel (Satriale property)
 - a. The project is moving forward with moving the panel.
2. Black Point Road Association
 - a. Derrick and Joe met with the Black Point Road Association to talk about the issues with the pump station when grease and other household waste have been disposed of down drains. He stated the meeting went very well.
 - i. Derrick will be working on a mailing that gives information on the pumps that residents have (*All residents on Black Point Road have the same pump*), and the proper maintenance involved.
 1. There will be a letter that also includes a rate structure based on different scenarios for work that needs to be done at the homeowner's expense.
 2. The Town Board needs to review and adopt the letter before it gets mailed.
3. Abercrombie Tank
 - a. DOH stated in the inspection report that the tank needs to be inspected and recommends using Conrady Consultant Services. They are a nationwide professional water storage tank inspection company specializing in ROV (Remote Operated Vehicle) inspections.

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- i. Derrick received a quote for \$2,000, and stated there is money in the budget to cover the expense. He then asked the Committee for approval to move forward with the inspection by Conrady Consultant Services.
 1. The Committee approved the expense.

Attorney's Report – Matt Fuller

1. Quarterly Drinking Water Notice
 - a. Matt stated that the current drinking water notice that was sent to water users had an incorrect date listed. Mr. Fuller has sent the Town an updated version of the notice that will be used for all future mailings.
2. SEQR
 - a. SEQR is in the final phase for the water project. The negative declaration had been approved by the Town Board, and should be published in the DEC bulletin soon.
3. Sewer Use Ordinance
 - a. The Sewer Use Ordinance is currently being updated, and Matt will forward a copy to Todd for review.
4. Chilson/Eagle Lake Letter
 - a. Matt inquired about the status of the letter. Nancy confirmed it was going to be mailed out tomorrow.
5. Easements (Associated with Porter property)
 - a. Matt is compiling tax maps to see what easements are currently in place.
6. EFC Loan
 - a. Tracy inquired about the closing for the EFC Loan.
 - i. Todd confirmed the Town will be able to close on the loan. The Town did receive a letter from EFC that stated the Town is eligible for interest-free financing, and has extended it to December 31, 2016.
7. HMGP Letter
 - a. Todd suggests appealing FEMA's decision to deny funding for the water line extension along Rte. 74, but it will not affect the project timeline.
 - i. Todd believes that FEMA failed to recognize that the project is part of the original damage even though it was documented in the report that was submitted.
 1. The Town Board would need to approve the appeal first. If approved, Harry Gough would start the appeal process.

Engineer's Report – Todd Hodgson

1. Street Road OCR

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- a. The awarding of the contract has been delayed until the 2nd week in September, which delays the ordering of materials for the project.
 - i. Costs cannot be incurred until the environmental review process is completed, which has to do with the Army Corps of Engineers.
 1. The project has to be completed in December, so something needs to be done to move the process along.

Public Comment

1. Rin Fraize addressed the Committee and stated he had heard that APA and/or DEC came up with a new classification for the woods leading to Gooseneck.
 - a. Derrick and the Committee replied that they have not heard of a new classification.
 - b. Mr. Fraize then asked Derrick if the Town is still going up to Gooseneck periodically to check the trail.
 - i. Derrick replied that they are still going up, and plan to go up in the fall to clean up along the trail.
 - c. Mr. Fraize then asked about the future of Gooseneck.
 - i. Supervisor Giordano mentioned that the letter that is being mailed out to the Chilson residents will go over the update timeline for Gooseneck.

Adjourn

Supervisor Giordano adjourned the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting at 9:20 am.

The next Water/Sewer Committee Meeting is set for Tuesday, September 27th at 9:30 am.

Resolution #312-2016 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to change the Water/Sewer Assessment record for Renee Scuderi (146 Race Track Road) to reflect a 1 EDU charge. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #313-2016 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to change the Water/Sewer assessment record for Dale Quesnel (45 Lord Howe Street) to reflect a 1 EDU charge. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #314-2016 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to change the Water/Sewer assessment record for Richard Nock (40 Defiance Street) to reflect a 1 EDU charge. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Resolution #315-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Dorcey Crammond terminating the water service contract with Patti & Keith Osier (1948 NYS Route 74). **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #316-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Chattie Van Wert approving the appeal on the DHSES review of the FEMA funds to use in the HMGP water main section reconstruction. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Airport - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

TICONDEROGA AIRPORT 4B6
7 September 2016

The meeting was called to order at 0900, in the Town Hall, by chairman Fred Hunsdon. Members Joe Giordano, Dave Iuliano, Ernie Tobin, Jon Hanna, and guest Roger Nolfie attended.

Ernie reported that @2300 gallons of fuel has been sold since we started selling this spring. The price of fuel is high at this time and we should off as long as we can and buy the smallest amount required unless the price lowers this fall. It was questioned as when we are required the amount of fuel in the tank, Joe will follow up with Steve Tibbitts to find out when the six-month duration started. We then talked about lowering the price for the fall to try to sell additional fuel. It was decided to lower the price to \$3.99 a gallon. Ernie will have Air-Nav, AOPA and the FAA to adjust our price on their sights. We then discussed the Shell signage and decided that the sign should not be on the hanger. It would be good to have a sign attached onto the fuel tank or a sign as close to the tank as is practicable. Joe will follow up with Steve about this item also. Any snow around the tank will have to be removed during the morning fuel checks.

Scott Rizneck will be out next week to review the phone line issue and lowering the conduit. Dave will contact the dozer operator about finishing the grading and we can have the phone company install a new line as soon as the grading is completed. We then reviewed the pending to do list and we were able to remove some items. We decided to go with the toggle switch to replace the current push-pull switch which has a problem several times.

On a safety issue we need to have the fire extinguishers inspected annually, Joe will have them inspected when the towns are done.

Next meeting will be 0900 Wednesday, 5 October, at the town hall.

Submitted by Jon Hanna

Highway/Transfer Station - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

Ticonderoga Highway Meeting

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08/25/16
8:00 AM

In attendance: Sal Barnao, Mitch Cole, John Deming, Joe Giordano, Karla Vigliotti, Joyce Cooper, Chattie VanWert, Fred Hunsdon Sr, Elizabeth Hamel,

Elizabeth Hamel, Hinds St., requesting that the sidewalk that was hit by a plow be repaired. Cited the high use area and accident potential.

Joyce Cooper, Montcalm St Partnership, requesting that the 3 hr parking ban signs be replaced and the law enforced.

Joyce Cooper requesting signs for public parking by the pocket park.

Chattie VanWert, seeking clarification on whose responsibility it is to clear weeds growing up through the sidewalks. Sal Barnao told her that it was a highway function.

Chattie VanWert, asking who can remove the three Liberty Poles on Montcalm St. Sal Barnao will research this and report back to her. AES will be asked to assess the condition of the remaining poles to see if there is any hazard posed by them being continued to be used to hold up traffic signal cables.

Sal Barnao reported on the paving status to date. Warner Hill and Stoney Lonesome roads have been completed with Warner being paved to the town line. This job used roughly 3800 Tons of blacktop at \$ 47/ton. Killicut Mtn Rd remains to paved.

Sal Barnao voiced his frustration with the town board at not being consulted before the recent realignment of administration staff. He said that he depends a great deal on the clerk currently assigned to his department. He said that due to her presence he is able to do other things that aid the bottom line of the highway department.

Karla Vigliotti spoke about the recent staffing change at highway and described in detail how much work she does and how her absence will curtail the operation going forward.

Wayne Taylor asked about any plans to rehab the sidewalks that the town has been advised that are unsafe. Sal Barnao stated that they will be working on them after the paving is finished.

Chattie VanWert suggested that the town research and then pursue grants that may be available for sidewalk repairs. Wayne Taylor suggested that the confidential secretary research what grant funding may be available and report back.

Wayne Taylor asked about what would be coming in the highway departments 2017 budget request. Need to know what streets are being paved. What sidewalks will be fixed, major equipment purchases.

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Mon. Wed. Fri...9:30 am to 1:30pm
Tue. and Thurs. 9-4 pm

We had to cancel the Myrtle Beach Trip.

Glens Falls National Bank donated our blue chairs. Thank you ... they add to our entryway and heavy enough to stand lots of wear and tear.

Our September Meeting is election of officers.. President and Secretary. Cora has served 2 terms and by our By-Laws cannot be re-elected. So if you don't show up, you might be elected !!!

Have a question for you.... How do you get your information? The Sun, WOKO or other radio station, the Press Republican or Post Star or Channel 17??? Inquiring minds want to know.. the best way to get word to each of you, for Town Announcements, emergency notices, etc. Please call me @ 585-6050 and I'll note your choices.

I am submitting another resignation. My health Team strongly recommends I terminate my employment by October 1,2016. I have enjoyed my work here, and sincerely hope it will be as enjoyable to someone else. The job is what you make it .I feel there are some good changes coming down the road, I'm just not up to meet them. Thank you for all your support these past years.

Youth - Report

We have hired our Recreational Supervisor and Activities Attendant provisionally on August 30th. Youth Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Armory. We will need to get organized as we have discussed moving the After School Youth Program to the 3rd floor of the Armory in light of construction being done in the basement. More discussion will be held.

Resolution #317-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to advertise for the 2016 Recreation Specialist for the Ti Youth Bidy Basketball program in the Sun Community News. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #318-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to advertise for the 2016-2017 Ice Rink Attendant in the Sun Community News. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #319-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to accept the resignation of Dan Cross from employment with the Youth Program. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Resolution #320-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Joseph Giordano to regretfully accept the resignation of Ann Dolback as Activity Director for the Senior Center, new effective date is October 1, 2016. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Economic Development - Chattie Van Wert, Councilwoman

No Meeting was held - next will be in November.

Would like to thank the Town Crews - particularly Derrick Fleury and the water department for helping out setting up for Cycle Adirondack, making sure they had water and electricity and for the Beautification Crew for helping to clean-up the site after. Many of the cyclists wanted to loop back to Ticonderoga, it wasn't part of the plan. Even though it was raining they really enjoyed it here and would have liked to have stayed longer. Some went to Trekonderoga, some to the Fort and some to the Beach. The economic impact isn't back yet, but there were at least 25 hotel rooms rented by these people that night. They ate ice cream and went to restaurants, so it was good for our town.

Supervisor Giordano was reminded by Matthew Courtright that this coming week is celebrating Chamber of Commerce week. There will be an open house and coffee chat on Monday and Wednesday, membership outreach day on Tuesday.

Resolution #321-2016 brought by Chattie Van Wert, seconded by Dorcey Crammond authorizing a Proclamation recognizing September 12-16, 2016 as Celebrate Chamber of Commerce Week. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

**In Recognition of
*Chamber of Commerce Week***

Whereas, the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce is business focused, community minded, and future driven. The Chamber lives their mission to initiate and provide programs, services, and leadership which enhance a cooperative business community and create a vibrant economy, making the Ticonderoga Area an exceptional place to live, work, and visit. The Chamber strives each and every day to reach their vision to be the leading advocate for business, serving as a driving force in the economic vitality of the greater Ticonderoga Area, uniting communities and maximizing resources.

Whereas, the Chamber of Commerce along with their members and partners have contributed to the economic and civic well-being of Ticonderoga and surrounding communities for over 90 years since the founding of the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce. This year marks the 91st anniversary of the founding of the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce.

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Now, Therefore I, Joseph Giordano, Supervisor of the Town of Ticonderoga proclaim September 12 through September 16, 2016, as CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEEK in Ticonderoga and call its significance to the citizens of the Town of Ticonderoga and our surrounding communities that the Chamber serves.

SIGNED BY MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY

JOSEPH M. GIORDANO, SUPERVISOR

SEALED

TONYA M. THOMPSON- TOWN CLERK

Wayne Taylor.....Councilman Dorcey Crammond.....Councilwoman
Fred Hunsdon, Sr.....Councilman Chattie Van Wert.....Councilwoman

Multi-Use Building - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

No meeting was held, may be more information coming this month to report at the next Town Board meeting.

Health Insurance - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

Meeting scheduled for September 27th at 2:00 but may change to 1:30 (will confirm)

Contract Negotiations - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

No meeting.

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

No meeting.

Resolutions for Consideration

Resolution #322-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to accept the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting held on August 11, 2016, the Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting held on August 23, 2016 and the Special Town Board Meeting held on August 30, 2016. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none.

Carried.

Supervisor Giordano explained that the Supervisor's Report is being updated and will be reported at the next Town Board Meeting.

Resolution #323-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to pay Abstract #9 of 2016. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none.

Carried.

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Abstract #9 of 2016

<u>Account</u>	<u>Debit</u>
General	\$ 44,405.08
CD18-Entranceways Project	1,899.60
Highway	124,150.22
C/P Chilson Reservoir Replacement	4,525.78
H52 The Portage Stormwater Bumpout	7,675.85
Claymore Sewer	36.31
Park Avenue Sewer	25.97
Alex Avenue Sewer	118.81
Homelands Sewer	314.06
Central Sewer	22,286.82
Commerce Park Sewer	351.82
Delano Point Sewer	310.43
Baldwin Road Sewer	575.42
Black Point Sewer	290.66
Hague Road Sewer	12.23
9N & 74 Sewer	234.25
Route 9N & Rt 73 Water	10.90
Street Road Water	2,599.96
Central Water	16,678.09
Shore Airport Rd Water	21.01
Total	\$ 226,523.27

Resolution #324-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Joseph Giordano to request the Planning Board review and recommend considerations to the zoning law as it pertains to residential solar applications in the hamlet. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #325-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Chattie Van Wert to advertise for Bids for the supply of the Town's gasoline, diesel, fuel oil and LP. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #326-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Joseph Giordano accepting John Bartlett's resignation ad Deputy Supervisor. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #327-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to amend the Employee Handbook to delete the Longevity Bonus section of Wage and Salary (601). **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Resolution #328-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Chattie Van Wert authorizing the following training and pre-payment vouchers for registration and travel. Via the Federal Per Diem rates; Derrick Fleury, Grade 3 Wastewater Supervisor's Course, Cazenovia, NY, Oct. 16-21, 2016. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Supervisor Giordano would like to announce his appointment of Chattie Van Wert as Deputy Town Supervisor, effective immediately.

Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney

He supplied the board, at the last meeting with the changes to the Building Code Local Law, and he would encourage you to get that on for a Public Hearing.

Resolution #329-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Joseph Giordano to schedule a Public Hearing for November 10, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. regarding a Local Law Providing for the Administration and Enforcement of the NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

End of the Meeting Public Participation

Ann Dolback wanted to be sure that the board knew how much support you have given her over the years, the senior group has grown and she expect a lot of good things to continue and thanks, for everything, for helping, for listening to her and her problems and we really appreciate our room and it has been fun working with you. Thank you.

The Board thanked Ann - whole heartedly.

Resolution #330-2016 brought by Joseph Giordano, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to exit the Regular Town Board meeting and enter into an Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. inviting Michael Richardson to stay to discuss applications for positions in the finance department, specifically their strengths and weaknesses. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Resolution #331-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano to exit the Executive Session and re-enter the Regular Town Board meeting at 9:43 p.m. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye, Chattie Van Wert - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

Adjourn at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

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AGENDA

Pledge to the Flag

Opening Remarks -- Announcements:

Letter from Stu Baker

James Cawley

Board of Health – no report

Public Participation (time limit 2-3 minutes)

Public Hearing

- Amendments to the Ticonderoga Zoning Ordinance – Section 5.60 Signs

Department Head

Tonya Thompson

Patti Osier

Bill Ball

Committee reports:

Public Safety FH

Building Grounds Parks Rec Library CVW

RESOLUTION to award the ADA accessibility project for the Armory and
Community Building to Hayes Contracting (\$117,700).

Public Works JG

RESOLUTION to change the water/sewer assessment record for Renee Scuderi (146
Race Track Road) to reflect a 1 EDU charge.

RESOLUTION to change the water/sewer assessment record for Dale Quesnel (45
Lord Howe Street) to reflect a 1 EDU charge.

RESOLUTION to change the water/sewer assessment record for Richard Nook (40
Defiance Street) to reflect a 1 EDU charge.

RESOLUTION to approve on appealing the DHSES review of the FEMA funds to
use in the HMGP water main section reconstruction.

RESOLUTION to terminate the water service contract with Patti & Keith Osier (1948
NYS Route 74).

Airport FH

Highway / Transfer Station WT

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Human Services: Youth/Seniors DC

- RESOLUTION advertising for the 2017 Recreation Specialist for Bidly Basketball in the Sun Community News
- RESOLUTION advertising for the 2017 Ice Skating Rink Attendant in the Sun Community News
- RESOLUTION to accept the resignation of Dan Cross from employment with the Youth Program
- RESOLUTION to accept the resignation of Ann Dolback as Activity Director for the Senior Center, new effective date October 1, 2016.

Economic Development CVW

- RESOLUTION recognizing September 12-16, 2016 as Celebrate Chamber of Commerce Week

Multi Use Building Committee WT

Health Insurance WT

Contract negotiations JG

I.T. / Cable T.V. JG

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION to Accept/correct minutes of Regular TB Meeting August 11, 2016, Special TB Meeting August 23, 2016, and Special TB Meeting August 30, 2016.

RESOLUTION to Pay the Abstract

RESOLUTION to request the Planning Board review and recommend considerations to the zoning law as it pertains to residential solar applications in the hamlet.

RESOLUTION accepting Dan Cross' letter of resignation from his position of employment with the Youth Program.

RESOLUTION to advertise for bids for the supply of the Town's gasoline, diesel, fuel oil and LP.

RESOLUTION accept John Bartlett's resignation as Deputy Supervisor.

RESOLUTION to amend the Employee Handbook to delete the Longevity Bonus section of Wage and Salary (601).

RESOLUTION to amend the Personnel Policy for the Library Director.

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RESOLUTION authorizing the following Training and prepayment vouchers for registration and travel. Via the Federal Per Diem rates;

- Derrick Fleury, Grade 3 Wastewater Supervisors Course, Cazenovia, NY, Oct 16-21, 2016

*Attorney, Matt Fuller

Executive Session

- to discuss applications for position(s) in the finance department for the Town

Public Participation – Please Stand and State Your Name

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting