

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga Regular Town Board Meeting held on
December 8, 2016 commencing at 6:00 p.m. with Public Hearings regarding
Weight limits on certain Road, Order Restricting Parking, CDBG Grant,
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Present: Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Fred Hunsdon, Councilman
Wayne Taylor, Councilman
Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman
Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Others: Highway Superintendent Sal Barnao, Deputy Mitch Cole, Mike Trybendis, Joyce Barry, Fred Nadeau, Lester & Lucy Bilow, Bill Barnhart, Wayne Majuri and Tim Stocker (IP Co. Representatives), William Stubba and Steve Anderson (Air Methods), Jim Davis, Chattie Van Wert, Chief Mark Johns, Robin Lambert, John & Roberta Whitely, Richard Stonitsch

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

Bill Stubba, spoke on behalf of Air Methods asking the Board to consider a resolution that he had provided. As part of the APA application process for the heliport on NYS Route 9N there are a few requirements, Phase 1 we have received our letter of determination from the FAA, Phase 2 the noise study, Phase 3 is NYS DOT Aviation application for the heliport, one of the line items required is a resolution from the Town and that is why we are here tonight. This is part of the application requirement.

Resolution #471-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Joseph Giordano to pass a resolution pursuant to NYS General Business Law Section 249, stating that they have adhered to the heliport requirements. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

State of New York, County of Essex

Town of Ticonderoga

**Upon being brought by Wayne Taylor
dated: December 8, 2016**

**Resolution #471-2016 Pursuant to New York State General
Business Law Section 249**

WHEREAS, Anthony J. Mazzotte and Mary E. Sears are the owners of a certain parcel of real property located on 1207 NYS Route 9N, Town of Ticonderoga, County of Essex, State of New York; and

WHEREAS, New York State General Business Law Section 249 provides that no person shall establish or improve a privately owned heliport except by authorization of

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the governing board of the Town of Ticonderoga in which such private heliport is proposed to be established or improved; and

WHEREAS, New York State General Business Law Section 249 provides that the governing body of the Town of Ticonderoga shall not authorize the establishment or improvement of a private heliport at the requested location unless in accordance with the standards prescribed by the Commission of Transportation of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the heliport proposed to be established or improved will be privately owned and the owners of the real property upon which the establishment is to take place have consented to such establishment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the New York State Commissioner of Transportation is hereby requested to make a determination as to whether or not the

establishment or improvement of such a privately owned heliport complies with this standard adopted pursuant to Section 249 of the New York State General Business Law.

Seconded by: _____ Joseph Giordano
DATED: December 8, 2016

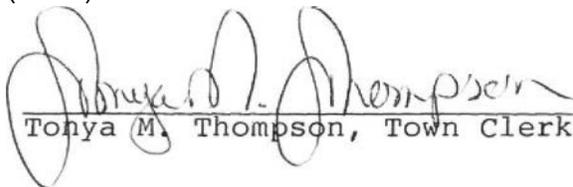
Roll Call vote as follows:

(Print Name) Fred Hunsdon, Sr.

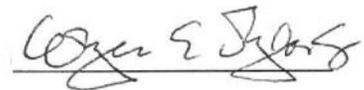
(Print Name) Wayne Taylor

(Print Name) Dorsey Crammond

(Print Name) Joseph M. Giordano
(SEAL)


Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

(Signature)  1






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Mr. Stubba explained that they are currently located in Fort Ann, just to get the operation up and running, we are moving along at a snails pace with the APA and it looks like probably April to be here in Ticonderoga across from Tony's Ti Sports - behind the Car Wash.

Public Comments

Lucy Bilow stated that there is a problem with the Senior program asked if Joyce Barry could come state the problem.

Joyce Barry read the following letter.

December 7, 2016 To the members of the Town Board

We are writing this on behalf of the more than 200 members of the Ticonderoga Area Senior Citizens accommodated at the armory.

We respectfully request that our previous funding from the Town of Ticonderoga be reinstated to assure that our membership records and activities can stay organized and in tact.

Ann Dolback arranged many activities to keep seniors active and involved. We realize we do not have a person to attend to the many duties at the present time but wish to have the funds available when the position is filled.

We do appreciate the work you do for our community.

Cora Voit, President
Cathy Burdick, Vice President
Bonnie Brod, Secretary
Joyce Barry, Treasure

Mrs. Bilow would like to follow up with that and give you more detail with what is happening at the senior citizen center.

December 6,

2016 To: Joseph Giordano, Ticonderoga Town Supervisor
From: Concerned Members of the Ticonderoga Area Seniors
Regarding: Deletion of 2017 Senior Citizen Budget
Request to increase budget as an incentive to replace
The position of Activity Manager / Office Secretary

Dear Joe,

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It is unconceivable to run a viable program at our Senior Center without the one person who knows what is going on. There will be no continuity of existing programs and activities scheduled. We have a membership of over 200 seniors, growing daily with "Baby Boomers" joining our ranks.

Activity Manager

Plan, coordinate activities: bingo, card/board games, arts/crafts, special projects
Hostess at all activities: set up, beverages, snacks
Set up of monthly and committee meetings E-mail information to membership
Maintain bulletin boards and birthday recognitions
Check building readiness for programs and events Attendance at monthly town board meetings
Work calls and planning at home
Solicit information/schedule field trips, busing/ payment
Schedule new programs: pickle ball, walkers

Office Secretary

Book keeping/copying materials
Payment of dues, paperwork for new membership
Make and receive calls, answer requests and correspondence Purchase and order supplies, shop for special events Seasonal decoration of room
General greeter to drop- ins
Etc. etc. etc.

The job for Activity Manger/Office Secretary involves 30 hours, 9-3 p.m. 5 days a week, 12 months a year. The budget allotment for this position is \$5,000 (\$416.88 a month, \$104.22 a week, \$3.47 an hour). By comparison, the youth director's salary is budgeted at \$27,144 with an adult assistant and a student helper budgeted at an additional \$14, 580. During the school year this staff of three work three hours daily Monday-Friday, omitting school vacations and holidays. Ann Dolback wanted to do this job, not because she had to. She was for all purposes a volunteer considering the time, effort, and dedication she donated to the job. It will require two people to do what she did for the Seniors.

Seniors live on fixed incomes, and though retired with limitations, we still give our time and effort as community volunteers: in the schools to enrich

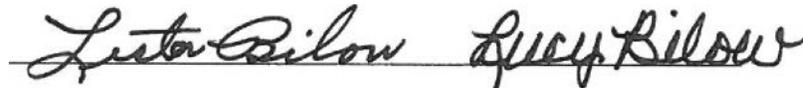
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and assist children with their education, in church choirs, cooking dinners, and doing altar preparations. We volunteer in the libraries, historical buildings, hospitals and beautification efforts in the community. We baby sit our grandchildren and help their parents as chaperones for field trips, bake classroom cookies, and provide transportation to appointments. We provide endless contributions to our community to make it a better place to live in.

You have given us a place to enrich our lives; however, to strip out the one person who knows what is going on is unconceivable to coordinate a viable program at our Senior Center. We wish to provide a continuity of existing programs and focus on the expansion of new programs to accommodate an expected increase in new membership. The Senior Center is really important to keep out Senior citizens happy and healthy, active and involved.

We know you have been really busy with the budget, but what can we do to help you make this happen? We strongly urge you to increase the Senior Budget to provide a reasonable salary to hire an Activity Manager/ Office Secretary at the Senior Center. Thank you.

Concerned Members and Supporters
Of the
Ticonderoga Area Senior Center



Lester Bilow

Lucy Bilow

Copies to: Dorcey Crammond
Fred Hunsdon
Wayne Taylor

Supervisor Giordano explained that the Senior Center operates as a non-profit it has it's own board, it's own structure and so everything that you have said here the board supports the senior center in it's entirety. The budget was not eroded with regards to the services that the Town does provide which includes the bussing, the bus drivers, the vehicles and repairs and all that. What was removed was the funding of the activities director because as you know the town cannot gift money to organizations that it doesn't operate and since it does not operate the senior center that is considered a gift, so what the board has done over this past budget cycle and what we are continuing to do is re-

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look at all the contracts that we have to make sure that they are in principle abiding by the law in which the Town has to operate. It is different than the Youth Program because the Youth Program does a service that the Town has decided to take on and provide and functions within the Town and we do not outsource. If we outsource of course the Town could not offer that in the same way. That is why that money had been taken away.

Mrs. Bilow stated that we appreciate that and we realize that it is above and beyond the legalities, but we are trying to take care of the seniors. It is the right thing to do.

Supervisor Giordano explained that he does not think anyone has any opposition to that, it is a matter of principle of the Town Law by what the Town can legally do.

Mrs. Bilow stated that Mrs. Dolback has been there for 13 years.

Supervisor Giordano added that he understands and in talking with a number of people, originally that position was not a funded position. It only became funded because of all the work that she had been doing, obviously in light of learning these new things, the Town was unable to provide that funding.

Mrs. Barry asked if there was an alternative that we could try, to give money to the senior citizens so that perhaps we could take care of that expense ourselves?

Supervisor Giordano explained that non-for-profits usually function on fund raising on their own. He does not know how contractually we can do this.

Mrs. Bilow asked if you can bend the laws.....we are not an organization in this town like the Knights of Columbus or the Elks or the Masonic Temple or the Churches. They can have money raisers, we can't; we have a limitation on our room, one room is filled with a few tables and a general place for our meeting, but to have a dinner there for instance we have no running water, we have no lights in side the room it is outside the room, the heat, there is a furnace type thing but we get very little heat, we have upright space heaters to heat. These are all reasons why we can't go out and earn the money to pay the salary to keep the program going there. If we could, we would - we are all old too.

Mr. Bilow stated that the board should re-consider something. There must be something in one of these programs in a budget line, someplace along a line that monies can be put there. The senior have three hits, Mrs. Dolback left, we advertised and no one came, we have no money. We have to get this back together and situated and we need some help from the board.

Supervisor Giordano will certainly look at the By-laws and see what we can do.

Roberta Whitely explained that she has been running the Ti Coustic's for the last 3 1/2 years, which is a volunteer program. A lot of people around town come in play guitar and sing and we take donations only and the money that we have taken in we have run

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through different organizations and the goal was to do something with down town so that money would stay down town and maybe fix something. We have donated to the Alliance, to the Ti Arts and last year to the Montcalm Street Partnership. This year the program that she has selected to donate the money to was a project to put something in the windows of the Cobblers Bench to help Star Trek, that was to be built by the school and to be worked on by the high school and it all fell through as of a week ago. She has been collecting money since August from Ti Coustic's for that project and now that it is not going to happen, we have another project that she would like to run by the board. The project has been on her wish list for a long time, to build several historical statues in Ticonderoga and she has gone with wood carvings, this guys who makes the chain saw art would make big life size - General Montcalm on Montcalm Street, Robert Rogers here, Lord Howe on Lord Howe Street, but they are photo opportunities. People can actually step up on them and get their pictures taken. They are very colorful, they are stained. What she is looking to see is what or if the board would be interested in us pursuing this private because we would have to have places to put the statues and it would be one a year hopefully. They are very heavy they can't just be stolen, but if we do these she would like to see some sort of security, solar lighting or a security device to take care of any vandalism. She has plans for at least eight statues over eight years if someone will continue this. This is a little work, but the first one she would plan would be Montcalm and she put it right down here in the parking lot if Mr. Major would allow it, right next to Rathbun's brick wall. These statues would have to be placed where there is parking. John Hancock at the Hancock House, Lord Howe down by the turn around possibly. There is so much that could be done to bring people from The Fort into Town so people would start staying and having lunch in our downtown. This is not an appeal, it is just something that she would like the board to think about and she is working with Bill Dolback on this along with the PRIDE office and they all think it is a pretty good idea, she just would like some kind of opinion from the board. Thank you.

Councilwoman Crammond asked what was meant by protection?

Mrs. Whitely explained that she was thinking of some kind of security light, a motion detector light. She doesn't believe that it needs to be hooked to the Police Station, but a deterrent of some kind. These statues would have some sort of base on them with say two steps that you can step up on to take your picture, they will weigh a lot, but they won't cost an arm or a leg. Maximum is probably seven or eight thousand dollars, minimum is thirty-five hundred. Ti Coustics makes that in a year and it isn't easy, we get over a hundred people playing music that get lined up. You all ought to come. It is all local people that play.

Councilman Taylor asked if the statues would be privately owned or would the Town assume the upkeep and maintenance.

Mrs. Whitely stated that the only maintenance would be re-staining them. She understands that the bright reds and blues that you would want on the uniforms is quite

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expensive, but it would not have to be done every year. There really shouldn't be much maintenance.

Public Hearings

2017 Ticonderoga EMS Contract

No public comment.

Public Hearing closed at 6:30 p.m.

Resolution #472-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to enter into the 2017 Ticonderoga EMS Contract per the budgeted amount (on file). **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

2017 Chilson Vol. Fire Co. Contract

Mike Trybendis stated that this increase is going to help us immensely and thank god we have a couple of fund raisers a year to offset what we actually don't get because that budget is actually really small to try to run a department on. He can bring down the forms to show that the operation of that department is somewhere around \$33 to \$37 thousand dollars a year, the members of this department use a lot of their own money to run that place. Whatever you guys can do for us is really appreciated.

Public Hearing closed at 6:34 p.m.

Resolution #473-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Wayne Taylor to enter into the 2017 Chilson Vol. Fire Co.'s contract per the budgeted amount (on file). **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. Fred Hunsdon - Abstain. **Carried.**

CDBG - Grant - Street Road Water Main Replacement

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Ticonderoga was awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program administered by the New York State Office for Community Renewal (OCR), for the Program Year 2013 Community Renewal Fund offered by the North Country Regional Economic Development Council (NCREDC). The CDBG program provides funding assistance for certain Economic Development, Public Facilities, and Housing Activities. The public hearing will provide an opportunity for attendees to ask questions and make comments regarding the proposed project. Written questions or comments are welcome and can be directed to the Town Supervisor, Joseph Giordano at the address and phone number provided at the end of this Notice. The Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, December 8th, 2016 at the Town of Ticonderoga Community Building, 132 Montcalm Street, Ticonderoga NY at 6:00 PM to afford an opportunity to review the details of the proposed projects, related issues and to comment before the construction phase of the project. The Town Offices are an accessible

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facility; other accommodations for the persons with disabilities may be made upon advance notice. Written questions or comments may be sent to

Joseph Giordano, Town Supervisor
Town of Ticonderoga

Public Hearing closed at 6:35 p.m. with no comment.

Local Law Regarding Weight Limits on Certain Highways

Councilman Taylor mentioned that we met with Lyme Timber representatives and the Highway Superintendent to offer a procedure that they were willing to submit to regarding the situation. We felt that these procedure's were very professional and they addressed the concerns and the spirit and intent that our law was trying to accomplish. There are other town roads that could be involved with this, Killicut Mtn, Stoney Lonesome, any place that has forest lands conceivably that could get heavy truck traffic. They were willing to submit to that as well. The attorney for them is supposed to draft this, but we haven't gotten it yet.

Mr. Fuller agreed that they did speak and he also received some texts from him. The discussion that he had with their attorney, he knew that the Town was taking up a possible amendment of the local law and that the idea that was discussed would take effect on a permit. He did not see any problems with that. They must have met afterwards with their own clients because we have now received a letter from DEC saying that we cannot do anything for 45 days.

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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December 8, 2016

Mr. Joseph Giordano, Town
Supervisor Town of Ticonderoga
Community Building 132
Montcalm Street, PO Box 471
Ticonderoga, NY 12883

Dear Supervisor Giordano:

Please excuse the late nature of this letter and its transmittal via email rather than US Postal Service. Our agency was notified of this matter only this afternoon, and it is our understanding that a special hearing is to take place this evening.

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Pursuant to Sections 3-0301 and 9-0815 of the Environmental Conservation Law (ECL), as amended by Chapter 602 of the Laws of 2003 (also known as the "Right to Practice Forestry/Timber Theft bill"), the Town of Ticonderoga is hereby notified that the Department of Environmental Conservation is exercising its right to review and provide input on the Town of Ticonderoga's proposed amendment to Local Law 4 of 2014. This review has been initiated by concerns that this proposed bill "may restrict the practice of forestry" in contradiction of the Environmental Conservation Law which provides:

"It is then the general purpose of this act:

- (1) to respect the existing common law right to engage in forestry practices in order to maintain such practices for the benefit of the State;
- (2) to protect the existence and operation of existing forest activities;
- (3) to encourage the initiation and expansion of additional forestry businesses;
- (4) to discourage inadvertent impediments to the practice of forestry that may result from well meaning but poorly constructed local ordinances concerning forestry activities;
- (5) to improve understanding of the economic and environmental contributions that well managed forests bring to the State; and
- (6) to deter the unlawful taking of trees by increasing criminal and civil penalties."

According to the amended provisions of ECL Section 9-0815,

-The Commissioner shall have forty-five days after receipt of an ordinance to provide his or her comments, if any, to the municipal legislative body proposing the law or ordinance. *Any municipal legislative body shall defer the adoption of **such local law or ordinance pending receipt of comments, if any, from the commissioner or the passage of forty-five days from the date of receipt of the proposed local law or ordinance to the commissioner.*** The Commissioner shall have the opportunity to respond only to the original proposal considered by the local governing body."
(Emphasis added)

Therefore, the Town of Ticonderoga must defer the adoption of your proposed amendment to Local Law 4 of 2014 until January 21, 2017, or until receipt of comments from the Department, whichever occurs first.

As this proposed amendment has raised concern over the ability of Ticonderoga forest owners and local forest-dependent businesses to practice forestry, the Department strongly encourages you to consult with Section Chief Sloane Crawford in the State Forester's Office at (518) 402-9425, the Department's Regional Forester, Kris Alberga, at (518) 897-1276, or Cornell Cooperative Extension's State Extension Forester, Peter Smallidge, at (607) 592-3640, for additional advice and guidance on how to address your concerns and mitigate impacts on forest owners. The Department's goals in this review and outreach are to assist towns in protecting important natural and community resources, while supporting sustainable forestry and long-term private forest ownership.

The Department recognizes and respects the important role communities have in managing and protecting their environments and infrastructure. We view Towns as integral partners with the

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State and all landowners in achieving our environmental, social and economic goals. The Department believes, as the law states, that our forests provide a multitude of benefits, and can be sustainably managed to ensure those benefits continue to be available for present and future landowners and all citizens of New York State. Our objective, under the Right to Practice Forestry Law, is to provide recommendations to help the Town of Ticonderoga identify and address its concerns in a manner that does not duplicate existing authorities, is efficient, practical and cost-effective for the Town to administer, and does not negatively impact forest landowners who want to practice sustainable forestry and hold onto their forested open space over the long-term. It needs to be kept in mind however, that local ordinances often impose some burdens, and disincentives on forest landowners. These burdens, combined with rising taxes, losses of markets for timber products, and development demand may prompt, or force, landowners to consider subdividing and developing their open space - a far less desirable result from a public benefit perspective. The Town Board should carefully weigh those burdens, and consequences, against the perceived benefits of any ordinance. Good public policies should encourage and steer landowners towards choices that work for the public good, as well as serve their personal objectives and needs.

I encourage you and the Town Board members to review the "Municipal Officials Guide to Forestry in New York State," which is available on the Department's web site at: http://www.dcc.ny.gov/docs/lands_forests_pdf/guidetoforestry.pdf. The Department may be providing further specific, written comments on the Town of Ticonderoga's proposed amendment to Local Law 4 of 2014 on or before January 21, 2017. The Department appreciates your cooperation in this regard.

Sincerely,

Robert
K.
Davies
Director
Division of Lands and Forests

Mr. Fuller made the board aware of the suggested changes that are being reviewed today giving the Highway Superintendent the flexibility to hand out permits.

TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK

Local Law No. _____ of the Year 2016

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A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW ___ OF 2014 ADOPTING WEIGHT
LIMITS FOR CERTAIN TOWN HIGHWAYS IN THE TOWN OF
TICONDEROGA**

Be it Enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga, as follows:

Section 1. Declaration of legislative findings

The Town, pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law §10[1][ii][a][6] and the applicable provisions of Vehicle & Traffic Law §1660, and 1640, has the authority to adopt reasonable regulations for weight limits on Town highways in the Town of Ticonderoga. The Town Board finds that the age, base and construction of certain Town highways is not conducive to routine vehicle traffic in excess of certain bounds based on such highways. As such, it is the determination of the Town Board, upon consultation with the Town’s Highway Superintendent, that the highways contained in this Local Law, as may from time to time be amended, shall be posted for weight limits as noted herein.

Section 2. Title and Authority

This Local Law shall be known as “Weight Limits for Certain Town Highways.” It is adopted pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law §10[1][ii][a][6] and the applicable provisions of Vehicle & Traffic Law §1660, and 1640.

Section 3. Highways and Weight Limits

The highways of the Town of Ticonderoga set forth below shall have the weight limits posted below for the distances identified below. All highways so posted shall be identified with appropriate signage as erected by the Town of Ticonderoga Highway Department.

<u>Highway</u>	<u>Distance</u>	<u>Weight Limit</u>
Warner Hill Road	Entire length thereof	15 tons

Section 4. Applicability

The weight limits set forth above shall apply to all vehicles, except the following:

- a. emergency vehicles including fire, police and EMS vehicles;
- b. vehicles engaged in the delivery or pickup of merchandise or other property along the excluded highways, provided that this exception shall not apply to ~~construction vehicles including but not limited to~~ logging trucks, dump trucks, cement trucks, ~~and construction delivery vehicles,~~ or vehicles with more than two (2) axles;
- c. any vehicle issued a permit pursuant to section 5 hereof, provided that such vehicle is operated in accordance with such permit requirements.

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Section 5. Permit

The Town Superintendent of Highways may issue a permit to any vehicle which may exceed the weight limits for the Town Highways so posted above. Such permit shall include the time duration, weight limit, times of operation, and such other information and conditions as to the Town Superintendent of Highways may be reasonable to protect the condition of the Town Highway. In addition, the Town Superintendent of Highways shall ~~may~~ require such bond, letter of credit or cash undertaking to repair any damage arising from the use of said Town Highways by such permitted vehicle(s). Such permit or permits shall be issued to the owner of the vehicle or the owner of the property utilizing the vehicle, or both, who shall agree to indemnify, defend and hold the Town of Ticonderoga harmless from any and all claims, damages, causes of action, payments and fees arising from or related to any damage caused or contributed to by any such permitted vehicle.

Section 6 Penalties

A violation of any section of this Local Law shall be deemed a violation. Upon a conviction of a violation of this Local Law, such violation shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$150, or a term of imprisonment not to exceed 15 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Upon a second conviction of a violation of this Local Law, both committed within 18 months, such violation shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250, or a term of imprisonment not to exceed 15 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Upon a third or subsequent conviction of a violation of this article, all committed within 18 months, such violation shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500, or a term of imprisonment not to exceed 15 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 7 Civil Relief

In addition to the penalties provided above, in the event of any damage to any Town Highway set forth in this Local Law caused by any owner or operator of any vehicle in violation of this Local Law, the Town may pursue in a court of competent jurisdiction, civil relief for the amounts necessary to repair said Town Highway, or for any other damages, costs or expenses incurred by the Town of Ticonderoga arising from or related to any vehicle operating on any such Town Highway in violation of this Local Law. Such action may be instituted by the Town Supervisor upon authorization from the Town Board.

Section 8 Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or

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unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this Local Law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

Section 9 Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State.

Fred Nadeau stated that he has attended two Highway Committee Meetings, this particular law, Mr. Taylor obviously hasn't read it, it says it doesn't pertain to deliveries which has held us up on several issues, you have to give the Town law to every driver, you have drivers out of Vermont and all over the country to say that you can't go up your road. Himself, he owns his own construction company and he has had a lot of concrete delivered and we are breaking the law, but Mr. Taylor says that it doesn't pertain to construction vehicles, but he doesn't know whether it is or isn't. We are 15 ton empty, we are 5,750 loaded and he lives 8/10's of a mile up the road. Does this pertain to that.

(Mr. Fuller answered yes).

Mr. Nadeau continued to say that Mr. Taylor twice told him that it did not pertain to him, that it didn't matter. He told Mr. Taylor that he was going to build a house, that they had 15 ten yard loads of concrete. The Supervisor did come up and take a look, there was no damage on the road, but this has been a hassle and this is what he has been told, it doesn't pertain to you - who the hell does it pertain to?

Councilman Taylor explained the way he understood the law to be handled was to give the Highway Superintendent the discretion to approve a permit. When he said that it didn't pertain, he was also told that anyone living on the road who operates heavy equipment could not be prevented from earning a living. If you were a pulp truck operator and came home with your load of logs to take to the mill in the morning, we couldn't keep you off the road.

Mr. Nadeau stated that this doesn't say that, and obviously you understood it wrong.

Councilman Taylor stated that this is not his call, it is the Highway Superintendent's call. The law was adopted to give him a tool to manage his road inventory. It is not to put anyone out of business, we spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on that road and this was a way to work together to manage the road.

Mr. Nadeau feels that on the sign that is posted on the road that says 15 ton you should also put Local Law - doesn't pertain to you. That is the part that is sticking. You have 15 ton there, a motor home weights 18 ton. It is just so confusing. You know how to draft a

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law but you don't know what it says or your interpretation of what it says is totally bogus. So he talked to the boys that you met with that day and knows what was said, he works with Lyme Timber and probably do a quarter of a million dollars a year fixing their roads, you don't see us because we are back in the woods. We happen to live on that road. How do you open a can of worms and close it back up? Take the sign down and that is the simplest way to take of it.

Supervisor Giordano explained that the adjustments that we are doing are giving the Highway Superintendent the discretion to decide how to regulate that particular road and to manage the investment that has been made to that road.

Mr. Barnao agreed that we should look at the sign, maybe it should say contact the Highway Superintendent. We are not looking to stop people from delivering there, what this law was meant to do was to stop the hundreds of loads that come down off that hill. He thought we were underway of a good understanding after that meeting with Lyme.

Mr. Nadeau mentioned that a solution Mr. Taylor made was to go out the other way, well there is a sign on the other end of the road. So you can break the law going that way, but not coming this way. Real great answer he got by coming here twice. The problem is every truck driver that comes up through there isn't going to call Mr. Taylor or the Supervisor or the Highway Superintendent - he is busy, he only has half the men that the previous guy had, he is understaffed. That is the sticky part. The sign does not say anything but 15 ton.

Supervisor Giordano believes what took place last week is what should take place with everything, even with comments earlier with the Senior Center. These things are complex, they are there for particular reason, but how they are utilized is really complex and obviously affects a number of different people and this one in particular was set in place because of all the hauling that was being done by Lyme Timber and the weights that were being involved and the frequency in which was being involved and the time of year it was involved and that is his understanding as to why this came to fruition and now it is being adjusted with these amendments to more discretion on the part of the Highway Superintendent so it is not going to affect everyone in the same way. That was the first stab and it was established in 2014 and now we have had a great conversation with the guys from Lyme Timber and we are just trying moving forward that we protect the investment that we have put down and make sure that people that could adversely affect that road are part of that cooperation to make sure...

Mr. Nadeau understands that the town is working on it, he understands what should be done, but that sign still there and it is an inconvenience.

Supervisor Giordano agrees with what the Highway Superintendent says and we should revisit what that sign should say. So people don't see it and say, I'm over 15 ton, I can't go on that road. It should say something to the effect that they can still use it, but they

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should inquire about use. This is something that has been brought up now and we need to have a conversation to figure it out.

Mr. Nadeau asked what the sign will say.

Supervisor Giordano stated that right now it says 15 ton, but we will need to address what it should say.

Mr. Fuller explained that you cannot change it now even if you wanted to. We have this letter from DEC that puts everything on hold for 45 days.

Wayne Majuri from I P Co. wanted to speak on behalf of the mill explained and stressed that they certainly aren't in favor of destroying any ones roads, we want to make sure that this infrastructure is here. We certainly want to encourage further dialogue and we look forward to something coming out that is a workable solution for everybody. He would like to be included in any dialogue when it comes to this law and hopes he can be copied on any proposal.

The Public Hearing will remain open.

Order Restricting Parking

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK**

ORDER RESTRICTING PARKING

WHEREAS, the Town Board (the "Board") of the Town of Ticonderoga (the "Town") has the authority, pursuant to Vehicle and Traffic Law section 1660, to enact an order restricting parking of vehicles on public highways, streets, sidewalks and roads within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is necessary to prohibit parking in certain areas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED THAT:

Section 1. No owner or operator shall allow a vehicle to be parked at any time:

- a. Thirty (30) feet north and one hundred (100) feet south on the easterly side of Champlain Avenue at the intersection with Cannonball Path.
- b. On the easterly side of Lake George Avenue, going thirty (30) feet north of the intersection with Calkins Place.

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- c. On any portion of Lonergan Lane.
- d. On the Southerly side of Father Jogues, going seventy (70) feet West of the intersection with Champlain Avenue
- e. On the Westerly side of Lord Howe Street, going Seventy (70) feet North beginning at the 911 Address of 93 Lord Howe Street

Section 2. A violation of this Order shall be deemed a traffic infraction as defined in New York Vehicle and Traffic Law section 155. Convictions for a first offense shall be punishable by a fine of no more than one hundred fifty dollars (\$150). Convictions for a second offense, both or all of which were committed within a period of 18 months, shall be punished by a fine of no more than three hundred dollars (\$300). Convictions for a third offense and for each subsequent offense, all of which were committed within a period of 18 months, shall be punished by a fine of no more than four hundred fifty dollars (\$450). In addition, for any violation of this Order, the Town may arrange for the removal and storage of the offending vehicle, and require reimbursement to the Town for the costs incurred by the Town for same, before returning said vehicle to the owner or operator thereof.

Section 3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated: December , 2016

Joseph M. Giordano, Supervisor

Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

Wayne Taylor, Councilman

Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman

Public Hearing was closed at 7:05 p.m.

Report of Committees

Highway and Transfer Station - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

No meeting was held.

Working on issues with the road and road maintenance laws. He would like to take the opportunity to commend the Highway Superintendent and his crew for the great response they have had during the last storm. They have gotten the equipment on line and the repairs have been done, the guys are doing their own work, very little work is being farmed out to other people. If you see someone on our Highway Department, please

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offer them a word of thanks, they are all working very hard and doing a great job. We have some new equipment on order for the coming year and we have hired a new employee. He is very encouraged with what is going on there.

Public Safety - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

Public Safety Meeting
Minutes
11/28/2016

Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Committee Members Present: Dave Woods, Don Paige, Danielle Holman, Councilman Fred Hunsdon Sr., Matt Watts, Commissioner Margaret Lauman, Chief Mark Johns and Kortney Bessett

No Guest

No public participation.

Councilman Fred Hunsdon handed out a sheet with some of the important topics discussed at the previous Public Safety Meeting for review and a copy of an Ordinance Prohibiting Overnight Parking.

A discussion was had about the following topics.

#1 "No Parking" – Lord Howe (Bunny Fuller) – completed

#2 Parking on Champlain Ave & Sidewalks (Roger Nolfe) – being researched and looked into

#3 3 Hour Parking on Main Street

#4 Parking on Champlain Ave/Father Jogues

#5 Matt Watts meeting with DOT – meeting happened today, solutions were discussed and an agreement was made about roads being shut down

#6 Bill Ball grant – Danielle Holman – yes they received the \$75,000 grant, server – maybe by the 1st of the year

#7 Danielle Holman research about a property – needs title search

#8 Continuous yard sale on Baldwin – need to ask Bill Ball

#9 Knox Boxes – need to ask Bill Ball but Danielle Holman requested a list of business that are not in compliance from Matt Watts. Short discussion on alarm systems.

Ticonderoga Police Department Report

Grants

A grant for a speed trailer for TiPD has been completed and just waiting to be submitted.

A grant for 911 numbering is being worked on at this time through TI EMS.

At this time of year it is a little slower for the officers so Chief Johns has them currently working on School Safety Plans and Local Businesses Emergency Action Plans.

Sergeant Hurlburt and Patrolman Larmore will be traveling to Lake Placid this week for Animal Neglect Training Course.

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Request for the bills to be paid.

Codes Report

Nothing else to report

Ti EMS

Nothing to report

Dave Woods had a conversation with Chief Johns about the contract at Dr. Macks office. There is some parts of that contract that Dr. Mack would like changed and Dave was wondering how we could get that moving faster. They discussed it and have made a plan to negotiate with Dr. Mack as soon as possible so that both parties are content with the contract.

Ti Fire

Nothing to report

Commissioner Lauman made a motion that we adjourn, meeting was adjourned at 5:33pm

Next Public Safety Meeting will be on December 19, 2016

Minutes prepared by Kortney Bessett – Records Clerk – Ticonderoga Police Department

Supervisor Giordano brought back an issue that we needed to discuss regarding a Highway Resolution. In October we offered a Resolution to replace a Highway vehicle, but never approved the actual purchase.

Resolution #474-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to authorize the purchase of a 2017 Western Star 4700SF (truck only, no body) with Oneida County Contract #1827 from *New York Truck & Equipment* in the amount of : \$136,177 and also a Tandem Axle Package with Oneida County Contract #1827 form *Henderson Truck Equipment NY* in the amount of: \$ 82,450
TOTAL PURCHASE **\$218,627**

All in Favor Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Supervisor Giordano also had an addition to the Public Works minutes - we need to set a public hearing regarding 130 The Portage, the Thompson property.

Resolution #475-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano to set a Public Hearing regarding 130 The Portage regarding the Unsafe Buildings Law on January 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Airport - Fred Hunsdon, Councilman

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The meeting was called to order at 0830, in the Town Hall, by chairman Fred Hunsdon. Members Joe Giordano, Dave Iuliano, Jon Hanna and Roger Nolf, Ernie Tobin was on the phone.

Rodger mentioned that ForFlyte has our old fuel price on their web site and has contacted them about the new price. They will check out the information and should update the web site.

Jon reported that we have 1649 gallons in the tank and have sold 162 gallons this past month.

We reviewed our pending work items report making updates as required.

Next meeting will be at 0830 on Wednesday, 4 January, at the town hall.

Submitted by Jon Hanna

Public Works - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor

**Town of Ticonderoga
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes
November 29, 2016 – 9:30 am**

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

Others: Rob Wick (*AES*), Fred Hunsdon, Sr., Dick Holroyd, Todd Hodgson (*AES*), Steve Hakim and David Rudgers, Esq.

Pledge

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

Items for discussion:

1. Dumping spoils (clean fill) at the airport
 - a. As a follow-up from the October Water/Sewer Committee meeting, Sal had inquired about the possibility of dumping spoils at the airport.
 1. After a brief discussion, Supervisor Giordano will look into what the process would be to possibly pursue getting a permit.
2. Steve Hakim – 39 Mossy Point Road

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- a. David Rudgers, Esq. addressed the Committee on behalf of Mr. Hakim in regard to the possibility of extending the Town's septic line to service property (vacant land) that Mr. Hakim is hoping to sub-divide.
 - i. Mr. Rudgers stated that Mr. Hakim had expressed his intentions with the Planning Board a few years ago, but had been denied the approval of moving forward in the subdivision process because access to septic is a pre-requisite.
 - ii. Matt commented that access to septic was not the only problem. There had been concerns over wetlands and ground water issues as well. There is a tap available to Mr. Hakim. However, as with any type of development it would be at the developer's expense, not the Town's to extend the line. The Town wasn't disagreeing with the connection, but cannot legally pay for the extension.
 - iii. Mr. Hakim wanted his comments to be on the record. He stated that they have spent a lot of money on this process so far, and it was a loss on his taxes. In principal he believes he should not be responsible for paying to extend the line – It was the Town's negligence for not including the property.
 1. After a lengthy discussion, Matt commented that he will send Mr. Rudgers information from the Planning Board Meeting so that he has further knowledge of what had taken place.
3. Payments to Bellamy Construction – Street Road Project
 - a. A short discussion took place in regard to the timeframe of receiving wire transfers and when the contractor is paid.
 1. It was agreed that the normal voucher process and Board approval would need to be done in order for payment to be processed.
4. Timothy and Miriam Dunne – 405 Baldwin Road
 - a. Mr. and Mrs. Dunne had torn down a house on the property as of October 21st, and plan to rebuild within a 6 month timeframe.
 - i. They had inquired about the possibility of having their water/sewer bills suspended until the new house was built.
 - ii. Derrick mentioned that as of today's date there is a new structure being built on the property.
 1. The Committee agreed that the bills would not be suspended. Nancy will send a response letter to Mr. and Mrs. Dunne in regard to the Committee's response.

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Water/Wastewater Supervisor's Report – Tracy Smith

1. MJ Engineering Letter in regard to the Town being eligible for a Waste Water Treatment Facility Asset Management Plan
 - a. Tracy informed the Committee that the Town had applied for a similar grant through the DEC, and is on the finalist list. This program is through the Lake Champlain Basin program, but it does have the same objectives.
 - i. Todd suggests that the Town apply for this program as well, and Tracy will take the lead on following-up with MJ Engineering.
2. DEC
 - a. Tracy stated that there will be an inspection of the WWTP and CSO's on Thursday, December 1st at 10 am.

Deputy Water/Wastewater Supervisor's Report – Derrick Fleury

1. Flow testing for Walmart
 - a. As a follow-up from the October Water/Sewer Committee Meeting, Derrick created a mock-up bill that reflected around \$4,000 for the Town to fix the water line issues that had been a result of the flow test being done.
 - i. Derrick asked Matt if he could follow-up with Walmart and the company that does the flow test for them, Telgian. Matt will follow-up as requested.
2. Black Point Road
 - a. As a follow-up from the September Water/Sewer Committee Meeting, Derrick expressed his growing concerns over the plastic service lines along Black Point Road. Contractors have worked on them recently and they are already leaking.
 - i. Derrick would like to find a cost effective solution for the residents, and will continue to look into the situation further.
3. A One Janitorial
 - a. Derrick informed the Committee that A One Janitorial had sent free samples to him in March. However, they have since been repeatedly contacting the Town seeking payment for the product. He has tried to reach the representative multiple times and has been unsuccessful in doing so.
 - i. Matt will follow-up with A One Janitorial to solve the solicitation for payment.

Public Comment

1. Dick Holroyd

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- a. Dick mentioned that he had heard from a resident whose mother lives in the Liberty Housing development. Her mother had said that the water is dirty and cannot be used.
 - i. Derrick has not received any calls in regard to the water, but he will contact the person in charge of maintenance for the facility to find out further details.
- b. Dick then inquired about the drinking water notices, and if all Ticonderoga residents receive them.
 - i. Matt replied that all town water users receive the notice.
 - ii. Dick then commented that there have not been any breaks between the dam and reservoir, so it's going well so far.

Adjourn

Supervisor Giordano adjourned the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting at 11:25 am.

The next Water/Sewer Committee Meeting is set for Tuesday, December 20th at 9:30 am.

Resolution #476-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano approving payment to contractors contracted under the EFC water supply project and EFC sewer/stormwater project within 10 days of receiving wire transfers. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #477-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Dorcey Crammond authorizing the Town to sign the Master Contract for Water Project #4535 w/ AES Northeast for funding with EFC subject of review by the Town Attorney. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

**State of New York, County of Essex
Town of Ticonderoga
Resolution #476-2016
Brought by Wayne Taylor
seconded by Dorcey Crammond
Dated: December 8, 2016**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF TICONDEROGA TO SIGN
THE MASTER CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR THE WATER PROJECT# 4535
WITH AES NORTHEAST FUNDED WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL
FACILITIES CORPORATION**

The following was presented by Town Councilperson Wayne Taylor seconded by Dorcey Crammond

WHEREAS, The Town Supervisor received Professional Services Proposal dated November 14th, 2016 from AES Northeast. The Engineering Firm will perform all

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engineering services for a total cost not to exceed one million, sixty-nine thousand, seven hundred seventy-seven dollars and sixty-one cents (\$1,069,777.61);

WHEREAS, the Master Contract includes the following projects as they pertain to the current Water Project; Groundwater Investigation, Groundwater Well and Well Control Building, Street Road Water Distribution Main, Street Road Directional Drill, Route 74/9N Water Distribution Mains, Chilson Water Storage Tanks and Baldwin Road Filter Plant;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Ticonderoga acting on behalf of the Town hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into contract with AES Northeast at a cost not to exceed \$1,069,777.61; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a capital project be established for this project called the Water System Project. Funding for the project will be funded by the Environmental Facilities Corporation through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) grant of \$2,000,000 and an interest free financing of \$11,033,104 for a term of up to 30 years for the project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution will be supplied from the Town Clerk to the Town Supervisor and AES Northeast.

All in Favor

Joseph Giordano, Supervisor	Aye
Fred Hundson, Councilman	Aye
Wayne Taylor, Councilman	Aye
Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman	Aye

SEAL

Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Councilman Taylor stressed his concern of the Town needing a Clerk of the Works for these major projects. Our guys do a great job, but they are not there all the time on behalf of the Town.

Supervisor Giordano agreed and noted that the county has been talking about hiring on a person specifically with a Professional Engineering to be able to oversee such projects for all of the Towns. He does not know where that is, but this would be the person to help with this.

Building, Grounds, Parks, Recreation, Historical Lands, Monuments, Beach & Cemeteries - Wayne Taylor, Councilman

No Meeting held.

Human Services: Youth/Seniors - Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman

Seniors
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The Senior Meeting was held November 30th.

There was much discussion and confusion about the 2017 senior budget; some thought that they were losing the bus and all budget items. I explained that the only cut was to the Adult Recreation Activities Director. This position is no longer filled due to Ann's retirement and even after the position was advertised, no one applied for it.

The governing Board of the Senior Center has written a letter to the Town Board asking that if they could fill that position could the salary be reinstated. You all have a copy of that letter and we need to discuss this.

There was also a letter of request for some needs to be addressed. The two main ones that I endorse are:

1. A hand railing is installed at the entrance to the black top ramp.
2. Lighting is installed at the back entrance (by the gymnasium door) because for any night time activities the parking lot is very dark.

Respectfully submitted, Dorcey Crammond, Councilwoman Chair

Ticonderoga Area Senior Meeting - November 30, 2016 @ 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Cora Voit with a salute to the flag. Minutes accepted as written.

Members Present: Joyce Barry, Loretta Barber, Cora Voit, Bonnie Brod, Mary Anne Murdock, Lucy Bilow, Dorcey Crammond, Loretta Barber, Maxine Sheehan, Anna Mayville, Ann Dolback, Darlene Occhipinti, Anne & Tom Fleury, Angie Cooper, Ramona McCaughlin.

Old Business: The senior director position has been taken out of the 2017 year budget. As well as the trip money.

New Business: The officer's will continue to work with Senior Activities. Lucy Bilow spoke with our Seniors concerning Safety issues at the Armory. A letter was given to Dorcey Crammond, signed by the officers, to give to the Town Board. Joyce Barry made a motion to write a letter to the town asking to consider putting money back into the Senior Budget for Senior Director. Seconded by Ann Fleury and passed unanimously.

Town Report: Dorcey Crammond spoke concerning the budget for the Seniors for 2017.

50/50 Raffle: Drawn by Joyce Barry, won by Joyce Barry.

Next Meeting: Jan 25th, 2017 @ 1p.m.

Adjourned: @ 1:50 pm after recognizing the Birthday people.

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Seniors our meetings are always the last Wednesday of the month.

Happy Holidays to all!!!!!!! Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Brod

Councilwoman Crammond does hope that this Town can find some way to help with the director position at the senior center.

Youth
November 2016

The Youth Commission met on November 21st with a full Board and staff in attendance.

Pam Moser announced that a Recreation Youth Cheer Program may be starting after the 1st of the year. This was a very popular and well attended program in the past.

Attendance at the After School Program remains to be well attended, with very few problems. Due to the higher participation we have hired Cassie Potter as an extra fill in Attendant. She attended the meeting and was introduced to everyone and the "workings" of the program.

Extra Activities; Pumpkin Carving and Fun Spot Trip were well attended without incidents also.

A Winter Wonderland Dance for grades 3-5 is on schedule for later this month. I do not have the date yet. (December 16)

Anticipated Grant Money items to be purchases:

1. Bean bag for seating
2. Cube Shelves for storage.
3. Basket bins for shelf.
4. Board Games, scrabble, scrabble Jr.
5. Gel pens, markers, stencils.

After school "health" snacks are always welcome. Fruit is a favorite.

Respectfully submitted, Dorsey Crammond, Councilwoman Chair

October 18th – November 21st

10-18-2016	After School Program	23 Youths
10-20-2016	After School Program	31 Youths
10-21-2016	After School Program	28 Youths
10-24-2016	After School Program	28 Youths
10-25-2016	After School Program	25 Youths
10-26-2016	After School Program	24 Youths

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10-27-2016	After School Program	28 Youths
10-28-2016	After School Program	22 Youths
10-29-2016	Pumpkin Carving	15 Youths
11-1-2016	After School Program	23 Youths
11-2-2016	After School Program	35 Youths
11-3-2016	After School Program	36 Youths
11-4-2016	After School Program	28 Youths
11-8-2016	After School Program	31 Youths
11-9-2016	After School Program	29 Youths
11-10-2016	After School Program	37 Youths
11-14-2016	After School Program	37 Youths
11-15-2016	After School Program	29 Youths
11-16-2016	After School Program	34 Youths
11-17-2016	After School Program	47 Youths
11-18-2016	After School Program	32 Youths
11-19-2016	Fun Spot Trip	31 Youths

Expenses:

Wal*Mart	\$239.13	(Fridge, Crafts, Snacks)
Wal*Mart	\$24.55	(Sanitizer, Snacks)
Wal*Mart	\$68.09	(Snacks, Gatorade)
Total	\$331.77	

Revenue \$40.00 (Gatorade Sales)

1. Currently have 71 youths enrolled in the After School Program.
2. The Pumpkin Carving was not as big of a hit as hoped. Thinking it may have been due to lack of advertisement as we missed the deadline to be added to the Events Calendar sent out by the TACC.
3. The Fun Spot trip went well this past weekend. 31 Students went, and there were no incidents.
4. While playing football outside on 10/24 a youth was injured attempting to catch a pass. He was given ice and his mother was notified. Nothing resulted from this injury.
5. While playing basketball on 11/9 a youth was injured while trying to jump over a basketball. He landed on his face. He was given ice and his mother was notified at pickup.
6. There were 2 incidents with a youth on 2 separate dates (10/27 and 11/10) where a physical altercation occurred. The first incident resulted in a write up and phone call home. The second incident resulted in a write up and a week

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- suspension. The youth has since returned and there have been no incidents since his return.
7. I am looking at having another trip to the fun spot for grades 3-12. Tentative date will be 12/10/16
 8. I am looking at having a *Winter Wonderland* dance for grades 3-5. Tentative date will be 12/17. (Need to check with Mr. Potter for availability) Will need to purchase or get donations for winter decorations. Will also need to order candy/snacks/drinks to be sold.
 9. We need to figure out something better for coats and book bags. We are now having numbers in the high 30s and 40s and our current set up is not functional. Is there any way to have hooks installed?
 10. Still in need of a finalized up to date budget.
 11. Ideas for literacy grant money:
 - a. Bean bags for seating
 - b. 1-2 Cube shelves for storage – books, art supplies, coloring/activity pages.
 - c. Baskets/bins for shelf
 - d. Board games (scrabble, scrabble Jr. etc)
 - e. Gel pens, markers, stencils

Respectfully Submitted; Kristine Larmore

Economic Development - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
No Meeting

Multi-Use Building - Wayne Taylor, Councilman
No Meeting - meet later in the month.

Health Insurance - Wayne Taylor, Councilman
The Town is now under the community rated plan and can offer other plans to the employees - based on their own preference they can opt into any of those plans.

Contract Negotiations - Joseph Giordano, Supervisor
Water/Sewer has gone well, dealing with a grievance regarding pay dates.

Councilman Taylor was asked by a resident if the Town gave employees a 9% pay raise, they took the information off the budget listed on the Town Website.

Supervisor Giordano explained that we did go through and market adjusted the clerks. If they are looking that it may very well be possible.

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Councilman Taylor specifically mentioned the Highway.

Supervisor Giordano explained, no - but the budget was set up differently this year which may have it appear that there was an increase.

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

Trying to wrap up what Stored Tech was working on for the year. A few finished components were put off with everything else that took place over the summer time.

Resolutions for Consideration

Resolution #478-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to accept the Minutes for the Regular Town Board Meeting on November 10, 2016 and the Special Town Board meeting on November 17, 2016. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #479-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon authorizing the final Payment to Hayes Contracting, pending final inspection and sign off by AES Northeast for the CDBG - ADA Project a for entry way at this Community Bldg and Armory. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #480-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano accepting Ronnie Burroughs resignation from the Beautification Crew effective December 5, 2016. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #481-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to offer employment to Laura Wright as a part-time floater clerk at the hourly rate of \$14.00. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #482-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Joseph Giordano to advertise for letters of interest and intent and/or a resume to fill the vacant Town Board member position for the remainder of the term ending December 31, 2017. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #483-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Fred Hunsdon to award the fuel bid, excluding gas/diesel to Avery Energy. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** - none. **Carried.**

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Resolution #484-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to schedule the End-of-the-Year meeting for December 27, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #485-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Joseph Giordano to set the Organizational Meeting for January 3, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #486-2016 brought by Dorcey Crammond, seconded by Wayne Taylor to re-appoint Michael Powers to another term on Ticonderoga Planning Board. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #487-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to re-appoint Andy Belkevich to the Ticonderoga Zoning Board of Appeals. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Resolution #488-2016 brought by Wayne Taylor, seconded by Dorcey Crammond to approve the following budgetary transfers:

All in Favor Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

TYPE	CODE	DESCRIPTION	\$ Amount
To	A.1220.400	Supervisor Contractual Exp.	\$814.22
To	A.1340.100	Budget Personal Services	\$4,915.48
To	A.1375.400	Credit Card Fees Contractual Exp	\$5.78
To	A.1410.100	Town Clerk Personal Services	\$5,800.00
To	A.3120.100	Police & Constable Personal Services	\$7,000.00
To	A.3120.101	Police OT and DT	\$8,092.37
To	A.3120.102	Police Straight Time	\$5,020.51
To	A.3510.100	Control of Dogs Personal Services	\$600.00
To	A.3510.400	Control of Dogs Contractual Exp	\$626.43
To	A.4010.100	Board of Health Personal Services	\$270.00
To	A.5010.100	Supt Hwy. Personal Services	\$5,600.00
To	A.7310.400	Youth Programs Contractual Exp.	\$461.56
To	A.7410.100	Library Personal Services	\$3,500.00
To	A.8010.100	Zoning Personal Services	\$5,270.00
To	A.8160.100	Refuse & Garbage Personal Services	\$3,440.00
To	A.8160.400	Refuse & Garbage Contractual Exp	\$1,645.68

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To	A.9010.800	State Retirement	\$11,448.23
To	A.9055.800	Disability Insurance	\$208.90
From	A.1989.400	Other General Support Contractual Expense	\$64,719.16
To	CD18.1440.400	Engineer Contractual Exp. Entranceways Project	\$234.96
From	CD18.1620.400	Buildings Contractual Exp. Entranceways Project	\$234.96
From	DA.5142.100	Snow Removal Personal Services	\$48,485.14
To	DA.5110.100	General Repairs Personal	\$48,485.14
From	DA.5142.100	Snow Removal Personal Services	\$109.44
To	DA.5130.100	Machinery Personal Services	\$109.44
From	DA.5142.400	Snow Removal Contractual	\$34,647.19
To	DA.5130.200	Machinery Equipment	\$34,647.19
From	DA.9089.800	Other Employee Benefits	\$4.90
To	DA.9045.800	Life Insurance	\$4.90
To	H48.9730.700	Bond Anticipation Note Interest - C/P Chilson Water Main FEMA Project	\$15,953.60
From	H48.8310.400	Water Administration Contractual Exp	\$15,953.60
To	H49.1440.400	Engineer Contractual Expense	\$1,150.00
From	H49.8110.400	Sewer District Contractual	\$1,150.00
To	SS05.8120.100	Sanitary Sewer Personal Services	\$6,485.00
From	SS05.8110.100	Sewer District Personal Services	\$6,485.00
To	SS05.9060.800	Hospital Medical Insurance	\$1,371.56
From	SS05.9089.800	Other Employee Benefits	\$1,371.56
To	SS05.9710.600	Debt Service Principal Bond	\$3,374.34

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From	SS05.8130.410	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Cont. Electric	\$3,374.34
To	SS09.8110.400	Sewer District Contractual Expense	\$816.95
To	SS09.8110.440	Sewer District Contractual Propane	\$69.16
From	SS09.8130.400	Sewage Treatment & Disposal Contractual Exp	\$886.11
To	SS11.8130.410	Sewage Treatment and Disposal Cont. Electric	\$85.06
From	SS11.8130.400	Sewage Treatment and Disposal Contractual Exp.	\$85.06
To	SW06.1650.400	Central Communications System Contract. Exp.	\$160.15
From	SW06.1680.400	Central Data Processing Contractual	\$160.15
To	SW06.8310.100	Water Administration Personal Services	\$14,985.00
From	SW06.8320.400	Source of Supply Power & Pumping Contract Exp	\$14,985.00
To	SW06.8320.100	Source of Supply Power & Pumping Personal Services	\$3,551.00
From	SW06.8320.400	Source Power & Pumping Contractual Exp.	\$3,551.00
To	SW06.8340.100	Transmission & Distribution Personal Services	\$4,990.00
From	SW06.8340.400	Transmission & Distribution Contractual Expense	\$4,990.00
To	SW06.8340.410	Transmission & Distribution Contractual Electric	\$119.26
From	SW06.8320.410	Source of Supply Power Pumping Contr. Electric	\$119.26
To	SW06.9055.800	Disability Insurance	\$11.50
To	SW06.9060.800	Hospital & Medical Insurance	\$5,257.93
From	SW06.9010.800		\$5,269.43
To	SW09.1420.400	Attorney Contractual Expense	\$67.50
To	SW09.8340.400	Transmission & Distribution Contractual	\$1,750.00

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Exp.

From SW09.8310.400 Water Administration Contractual Exp

\$1,817.50

\$416,797.60

Resolution #489-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to pay the bills in Abstract #12 of 2016 from the accounts as follows:

12/8/2016			Voucher #	Check #
Abstract	General (A)	\$292,486.63	14047-14207	
	CD18 Entranceways Project	\$1,562.42		
	CD19 Streetroad WD Public Water	\$141,437.90		
	Highway (DA)	\$102,493.68		
	H36 C/P Chilson Reservoir Replace	\$54.00		
	1-148 C/P Chilson Water Main FEMA	\$3,123.16		
	H49 GIGP Daylight Streaming	\$9,921.40		
	C/P WQIP WWTP DISINFECT (H50)	\$34,350.25		
	H53 Clean Water Main Project	\$606.56		
	Claymore Sewer District (SS01)	\$191.65		
	Park Ave Sewer District (S502)	\$28.07		
	Alex Ave Sewer District (SS03)	\$46.11		
	Homelands Sewer Dist (SS04)	\$61.50		
	Central Sewer (SS05)	\$59,334.79		
	Commerce Park Sewer (SS06)	\$96.10		
	Delano Point Sewer (SS07)	\$116.17		
	Baldwin Road Sewer Dist (SS08)	\$71.77		
	Black Point Road Sewer (SS09)	\$2,896.96		
	Hague Road Sewer (SS10)	\$10.46		
	9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)	\$902.63		
	9N & 74 Water (SW01)	\$260.91		
	Street Road Water (SW02)	\$409.41		
	Central Water(SW06)	\$48,732.12		
	Shore Airport Water (SW09)	\$88.38		
	T- Trust and Agency	\$216.35		
		\$699,499.38		

12/8/2016

Meeting Date

11/16/2016			Voucher#	Check#
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Abstract	General (A)	\$2,085.04	13929-13947	20956-20958
	Highway (DA)	\$3,280.87		
	Central Sewer(SS05)	\$1,705.46		
	Central Water(SW06)	\$1,201.35		
	Park Ave, (SS02)			
	Alex Ave.(SS03)			
	Homelands(SS04)			
	Commerce Park(SS06)			
	Delano Point Sewer (S\$07)			
	Baldwin Road (SS08)			
	Black Point Rd (SS09)			
	Hague Road (SS10)			
	9N & 74 Sewer (SS11)			
		\$8,461.76		
11/21/2016				
Abstract	General(A)	\$57,843.86	14023,14030,14032 ,14032,14040	20959-20963
	Highway(DA)	\$126.38		
	Central Sewer(SS05)	\$40.28		
	Central Water(SW06)	\$80.27		
	Rt. 9N & Rt. 73 (SW01)			
	Street Road Water(SW02)			
	Alex Avenue (SW03)			
	Homelands (SW04)			
	Alex Ave II(SW05)			
	Park Ave. (SW07)			
	Shore Airport (SW09)			
		\$58,090.79		

All in Favor Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorcey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried.**

Matthew Fuller, Town Attorney

Water Project - there is a meeting next week (Tuesday) in Albany with the Department of Health and EPA. More information will be forth coming.

An application has been filled out for the Ticonderoga Planning Board - this is from Mobilite. This is a small cell tower and this company is proceeding all across the

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country. It appears they are connected with Sprint. It will need Site Plan approval, but will need something from the Town Board - negotiate a lease.

Land in industrial park - the easiest way to deal with the interest in this property is to deed it back to IDA and let them work directly with the land owners. We have water infrastructure there that will need an easement for access.

The Town has received a land use agreement with Adirondack Trail Riders to use a portion of the Bicentennial Park for their trail system connection. This was proposed last year but due to there not being any snowfall - it was never utilized. They would like to attempt this again this year.

Resolution #490-2016 brought by Fred Hunsdon, seconded by Wayne Taylor to accept the Land Use Agreement with Adirondack Trail Riders pending attorney review. **All in Favor** Joseph Giordano - Aye, Fred Hunsdon - Aye, Wayne Taylor - Aye, Dorsey Crammond - Aye. **Opposed** -none. **Carried**.

End-of-the-Meeting Public Participation

Richard Stonitsch introduced himself as one of the trustees of the Ticonderoga EMS and wanted to let the board know that he appreciates the funding provided to the Ti EMS and thanks them.

He would like to address the board regarding the Fire Department, being a tax payer on how they use the equipment they get and the money they spend on it. He understands there has been problems and everyone has problems, but the latest is about a truck they bought with just a cab and chassis, and then they tried to put a body on it, but it didn't work, it did not match and it seems like things like that they should get together right off the bat and try to figure out if these two items are going to work together. Apparently, these didn't and they had to get someone else to come in and re-do whatever they had to do to make it work so the two were compatible as far as he engineering went. He does not know exactly what it was. He has enough to do with EMS at this point than to try to do anything about this. The other thing is, he has been in the fire department, he joined back in the early 80's and there have been situations with the fire department here and there and he did speak to the supervisor a little bit about this the other night because he didn't know of this meeting, he would have reported this here instead. It is just a little disheartening to hear the problems that they are having and listening from other towns like Putnam telling him that it is the worst that it has ever been there. He does not know what is going on there, but moral is just not there, they are having problems and he knows his kids are not saints, they have their problems, some are in there and some are in the EMS so he would like the Town to maybe be.... there are other Town's talking about this, around us that are on the outside, maybe you should talk to them because they are on the outside and have nothing to do with our town and they have seen problems in our town fire departments. When he hears from Hague, Crown Point or Putnam then things are not going well, he hears about stories anyway, but he is not part of this fire

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department. This gives you something to talk about since we are funding the fire department, we should have some type of say or at least some type of input to them to let them know that we want to find out what is going on, see if we can resolve something and make it work better.

Supervisor Giordano explained that the Town funds Chilson Fire Protection District, but we only collect for the Ti Fire Department, they have a board that determines what they are going to do.

Mr. Stonitsch understands this and he knows that even Chilson once in a while says something but, not every one is going to run perfectly, it is just from his understanding when you have a comments that it is worse than it has ever been in the 20 years that he has been in the department and this is from a department outside the town that says they can't believe what is going on there, so before we start losing all kinds of members there is a bunch of them talking about leaving, and he is talking senior members not new members. There are bigger issues where they are not doing the training, the haz mat, it is on and on and on. If you don't mind talking to their members and to the surrounding neighbors to see what they have to say.

Councilwoman Crammond explained that the Commissioners election is this month..

Mr. Stonitsch stated that he doesn't know, his whole family has been in a fire department until he got here and it was a personal thing for him that didn't work out back in the 80's and he decided to go to EMS instead. He thought issues would disappear over the years, but it is here, when you have all of these people talking about quitting, the senior members, you have to teach the younger ones what to do. He knows it is all volunteer, but you have to take care of your requirements, it is their organization and he tries not to get involved but it is tough. We fund it, we should look into it and find out where our money is going.

Councilwoman Crammond explained that we as private tax payers can look into it ourselves, personally, but as a board we cannot.

Mr. Stonitsch wanted to give this a shot in the dark, as a community we need to look at it before it is a problem before our ratings as a fire district go up and of course the insurance will go up. One thing leads to another. It is not a problem, until there is a problem. He appreciates what you do for funding with the Ti Emergency Squad. Thank you.

Adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

As of 12/19/2016 8:00 AM

AGENDA

Pledge to the Flag

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Opening Remarks -- Announcements:

Roberta Whitely

Air Methods – Resolution for Heliport Approval

Board of Health – no report

Public Comment (time limit 2-3 minutes)

Public Hearing

- 2017 Ti EMS Contract
- 2017 Chilson Fire Contract
- 2nd CDBG Project for Street Road Water Main
- Amend local law providing for weight limits on certain roads
- Modify an ordinance restricting parking

Department Heads

Committee reports:

Highway / Transfer Station WT

Public Safety FH

Airport FH

Public Works JG

- RESOLUTION to approve payment to contractors contracted under the EFC water supply project and EFC sewer/stormwater project within 10 days of receiving wire transfers.

Building Grounds Parks Rec Library CVW

Human Services: Youth/Seniors DC

Economic Development CVW

Multi Use Building Committee WT

Health Insurance WT

Contract negotiations JG

I.T. / Cable T.V. JG

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Resolutions:

RESOLUTION to Accept/correct minutes of Regular TB Meeting November 10, 2016 and of Special TB Meeting November 17, 2016

RESOLUTION to Pay the Abstract

RESOLUTION to authorize final payment to Hayes Construction pending final inspection and signoff in mid-December by AES

RESOLUTION to hire Laura Wright as a part-time floater clerk at the hourly rate of \$14.00

RESOLUTION to for the Town Clerk to accept letters of interest and intent and/or a resume to fill the vacant Town Board member position for the remainder of the term ending December 31, 2017

RESOLUTION to award fuel bids

RESOLUTION to enter into an annual 2017 contract with Ticonderoga EMS

RESOLUTION to enter into an annual 2017 contract with Chilson Fire Department

RESOLUTION to set the end of the year board meeting for 1pm on Dec 27th 2016

RESOLUTION to schedule the organizational meeting for 4:30pm on Jan 3rd 2017

RESOLUTION authorizing -- Budget Transfers --

RESOLUTION authorizing Due-to Due-from transfer for Abstract #12-2016;

Town Clerk, Tonya Thompson

Attorney, Matt Fuller

Executive Session

Public Comment – Please Stand and State Your Name

Adjourn the Town Board Meeting