

**Minutes for the Ticonderoga 2025 Budget Workshop and Any Other Lawful Business held on
September 19, 2024, commencing at 1:00 p.m.**

Present: Mark A. Wright, Supervisor
Dave Woods, Councilman
Joyce Cooper, Councilwoman (arrived late at 1:37pm)
Tom Thatcher, Councilman
Heath Towne, Councilman
Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk

Others: Rebecca Norton and Amy Beeman from Finance Department

Supervisor Wright opened the Workshop following the agenda with Resolutions at the end.

AGENDA
2025 Budget Working Group
And Other Lawful Business

Workshop #6: 09/19/2024 1300-1500
Workshop #7: 10/17/2024 1300-1500
Workshop #8: 10/25/2024 0800-1000

Budget Workshop #6 (09/19/2024)

- **General Comments**
 - Last look before heading into the Tentative budget (due: NLT 9/30).
 - Change in early SW09 debt payment.
 - Informed by EFC that we cannot pay off.
 - How do we handle for budget – put back in, encumbrance?
 - One solar PILOT added to total PILOTS.
 - Still no workers' comp information from County.
 - Usually arrives the first week of October.
 - Will need to modify for preliminary budget (due: 10/27).
 - Water/Sewer rate increases – REMINDER.
 - Water (\$5/quarter increase) from \$128 to \$133/quarter (using \$112,500 fund balance).
 - Sewer (\$5/quarter increase) from \$154 to \$159/quarter (using \$27,800 fund balance).
 - Ti Fire District official budget received by 10/25. Amount not expected to change.
- **K9 Program**
 - Need stipend amount.
 - Must review Union proposal. Town LR and Union working this.
- **Ambulance District**
 - Last date for taxpayers to file permissive referendum: Oct 19.
 - Submit Preliminary budget: Oct 27.
- **Miscellaneous**
 - A Revenue budget review
 - Summer Youth tuition (A2350.002).
 - Interest & Earnings (A2401).
 - Interest & Earnings GNFB (A2401.02).
 - CPA audit (A1310.492) update.
 - What do we expect to expend in 2024? Anything left over for carryover?

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Resolution #426-2024 brought by Joyce Cooper, seconded by Dave Woods to offer employment to Nancy Treadway as activities attendant (part-time, no-benefits) at the rate of \$15.00 an hour. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #427-2024 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Heath Towne authorizing the following budget adjustments: A.1345.101 General Purchasing Land \$359,212.29, To fund account line for purchase of building for Police Station, 102 Racetrack Road, Ticonderoga, NY from Fund Balance. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #428-2024 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher to authorize the creation of a Purchase Order to Lake George Title Agency in the amount of \$1,686.000 for the purchase of the property at the address of 102 Racetrack Road, Ticonderoga, NY. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #429-2024 brought by Heath Towne, seconded by Joyce Cooper to authorize the creation of a Purchase Order to Vanguard-Fine, LLC in the amount of \$21,000.00 for the purchase of the property at the address of 102 Racetrack Road, Ticonderoga, NY. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #430-2024 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher to authorize the creation of a Purchase Order to Ticonderoga School Tax Collector in the amount of \$6,120.01 for the purchase of the property at the address of 102 Racetrack Road, Ticonderoga, NY. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #431-2024 brought by Tom Thatcher, seconded by Dave Woods to authorize the creation of a Purchase Order to Hudson Headwaters Health Network in the amount of \$330,351.28 for the purchase of the property at the address of 102 Racetrack Road, Ticonderoga, NY. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Resolution #432-2024 brought by Dave Woods, seconded by Tom Thatcher to advertise for bids to construct the replacement of the stone pillar on the Ticonderoga/Hague town line. **All in Favor** Mark Wright – Aye, Dave Woods – Aye, Joyce Cooper – Aye, Tom Thatcher – Aye, Heath Towne – Aye. **Opposed** – none. **Carried.**

Workshop adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tonya M. Thompson, Town Clerk