**Organization Town of Champion** 

**Board** Sewer Board

**Date and** 

Monday, September 10 2007 at 5:30 PM

Time Place

Town of Leray Offices Board Room 8650 Leray St Evans Mills NY

Contact

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## **Minutes**

Present: Board members/voting representatives - T. Buckley L. Carpenter,

L. Longway, N. Parks, and

R. Taylor

Others: K. Amyot, K. Amyot, K. Dimmick, M. Eliot, S. Harter, S. Lillie,

K. Montigelli, B. Perry, J. Putnam, M. Smith,

C. Tuttle, C. Vargulick, and K. Vebber

The NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board met on Monday, September 10, 2007 at the T/Pamelia Municipal Building. L. Longway called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

The Board reviewed the minutes for August 13, 2007. Motion by N. Parks, seconded by T. Buckley to approve the minutes as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

#### **Operating Report**

C. Tuttle summarized revenues and expenses for the previous period noting that expenses are tracking slightly above calendar year projections. Insurance, legal and audit expenses have exceeded the approved budget and Ms. Tuttle recommended a budget transfer from the operating contingency. Motion by R. Taylor, seconded by L. Carpenter to transfer \$750.00 from operating contingency to insurance, legal and audit account. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Ms. Tuttle reminded clerks that a copy of the post payment report is required with each monthly revenue check.

- C. Tuttle reported that repair work on the Ambrose/Maple Street line has been delayed due to an obstruction underneath the road. The developer, Stephen Jelli, has agreed to contact the County to resolve the issue.
- C. Tuttle reviewed the historical fiscal data related to the operations and maintenance contract with DANC. The proposed 2008 contract in the amount of \$71,552.00 reflects the addition of South Black River Phase II and a 3.25% cost of living adjustment. C. Tuttle noted that the contract cost includes \$15,000 paid from the construction budget leaving a total of \$56,552.00 to be budgeted through the operating budget.

The total number of EDU's is tentatively 1542.75. The figure includes EDU's reported for the Dorr Farm development.

The preliminary 2008 budget was reviewed line by line noting changes from the 2007 budget. S. Harter questioned apparent discrepancies in the reported revenues for penalties, hook-ups, and extra usage.

L. Longway questioned the significant increase in debt service. C. Tuttle explained that earlier projects benefited from a higher grant/loan ratio than current and proposed project phases. L. Longway and N. Parks questioned if future phases of the system should be reconsidered to avoid increases in operational expenses. M. Eliot stated that each phase is adjusted to maximize funding. K. Dimmick remarked that the blended rate has allowed much needed sewer infrastructure to be constructed. T. Buckley noted that the build out of the Dorr Farm development will not increase debt service since the developer is financially responsible for costs within the development. N. Parks questioned how much more sewer service can be constructed in the T/Rutland at an affordable cost. T. Buckley stated that the Board should complete the NYS Route 3 project and then evaluate future construction.

Members discussed the number of EDU's attributed to the Dorr Farm development. L. Longway requested that Mayor Carpenter contact the developer and receive a commitment to the payment of anticipated fixed and variable costs.

Members considered restructuring the debt service for Black River South. C. Tuttle will contact NYS EFC to determine the project's eligibility and potential savings.

# **Planning**

K. Amyot updated members in regards to the T/Rutland CBDG and the V/Black River downtown development project.

### South Black River (SBR) Phase I

J. Putnam reported that items on the walk through punch list are being completed. K. Vebber discussed the pump station plantings and requested that that the landscaping plan be amended. Members agreed, by consensus, to allow the Village to make changes to the landscaping plan, within the parameters of the project budget, as desired.

#### South Black River (SBR-2) Phase II

J. Putnam reported that the contractor has mobilized and is clearing the easement areas. The scheduled project completion is December 2007.

### Town of Rutland (next phase)

J. Putnam reported that work is continuing on the project engineering.

Motion by T. Buckley, seconded by R. Taylor to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:07pm.

The next regular meeting of the NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2007 at 3:30pm at the V/Black River Municipal Building.

### **Christina Vargulick**

Christina Vargulick, Secretary NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board