**Organization Town of Champion** 

**Board** Sewer Board

**Date and** 

Monday, August 13 2012 at 4:30 PM

Time Place

Town of Champion Offices Board Room (rear of building) 10 N Broad St, West Carthage

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### **Minutes**

Present: Board members/voting representatives - T. Buckley, R. Cramer,

L. Longway and R. Taylor

Absent: L. Carpenter

Others: L. Berghorn, S. Harter, K. Dimmick, B. Perry, J. Putman, M. Smith, and C. Vargulick

The NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board met in regular session on Monday, August 13, 2012 at the T/Champion Municipal Building. Chairman Longway called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

The Board reviewed the minutes for June 11, 2012. Motion by R. Taylor, seconded by T. Buckley to approve the minutes as presented. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

## **Operating Report**

- B. Perry reviewed the June 2012 period summary noting that sewer flows for the period were 6.15MG. Sixty eight percent (68%) of the budgeted revenues were received. Expenses year-to-date were forty five percent (45%) of the total budgeted. Net cash of \$251,211.63 remained at the end of the period.
- B. Perry reviewed the July 2012 period summary noting that sewer flows for the period were 6.30MG. Eighty four percent (84%) of the budgeted revenues have been received. Expenses year-to-date are sixty one percent (61%) of the total budgeted. Net cash reserves are \$320,747.37. S. Harter noted that the flows in T/LeRay are up despite the dry summer. B. Perry had no explanation.
- B. Perry advised the Board that the lawn at 31019 Chelsea Drive has been graded in such a manner that it drains into the meter pit and has caused the grinder pump to need servicing and consequently to be replaced. The builder is aware that the meter pit must be raised. DANC has ordered the materials. The property will be billed for all costs associated with the complaint including, but not limited to, the new grinder pump, the pit extension and labor/mileage. The Board authorized the secretary to prepare and send an invoice.
- L. Longway discussed complaints received from three (3) property owners at the intersection of Gardner Drive and NYS Route 11. An inspection suggested that the odor is coming from a nearby vent. J. Putnam reported that a plumbing issue was discovered at another home on NYS Route 11 and advised that the other homes should be inspected. L. Longway requested that J. Putnam discuss the issue with the contractor and in addition, inspect the Sawyer home on NYS Route 11.

The Board reviewed the amended Sewer Service Agreement between DANC and the Route 3 Sewer Board. The agreement has been amended to include the Pamelia/Gardner Tract service area. Motion by R. Taylor, seconded by R. Cramer to authorize the Chairman to execute the Sewer Service Agreement as presented. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

B. Perry reviewed two proposed scenarios for the 2013 operating budget. Scenario #1 proposed a \$5.00 increase to the fixed charge (\$270). Scenario #2 proposed a \$5.00 increase to the fixed charge (\$270) and a \$5.00 increase to the variable charge (\$185). Mr. Perry reported that the DANC O&M contract will increase by three percent (3%) and the DANC administrative contract will remain at \$1.50/EDU. Board members questioned the need for the rate increase based on the minimal increases in the expenditures and an estimated increase in revenues. T. Buckley stated that he supports no change to either the fixed or variable rate. Board members discussed a lesser increase in the fixed rate. T. Buckley suggested a comparative analysis between July, 2010-2012 to estimate fourth quarter revenues/expenditures. Motion by R. Taylor, seconded by R. Cramer to increase the variable rate by \$5/year. Roll call vote: R. Taylor-aye, R. Cramer-nay, T. Buckley-nay, and L. Longway-nay. Motion denied. Motion by T. Buckley, seconded by L. Longway to make no change to the 2013 rate. Roll call vote: R. Taylor-nay, R.Cramer-aye, T. Buckley-aye, and L. Longway-aye. Motion carried.

### **Town of Rutland Phase 3**

J. Putnam reported that the contract is closed out. No date has been set for permanent financing.

# **Pamelia/Gardner Tract**

A walk through is scheduled for September 5, 2012. A recommendation for final payment is pending. Record drawings and close out documents have been received. The final change order was processed. The project was well under budget.

#### **Other Business**

The Board directed the Secretary to forward a letter to the V/Black River to request a status update regarding a member item to reimburse the NYS Route 3 Sewer Board for costs related to debt service for the V/Black River sewer project.

Motion by T. Buckley, seconded by R. Cramer to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:38PM.

The next scheduled meeting of the NYS Route 3 Sewer/Development Board will be held on Monday, September 10, 2012 at 4:30pm at the T/LeRay Municipal Building.

Christina Vargulick Christina Vargulick, Secretary NYS Route 3 Sewer Board of Commissioners