**Organization Town of Champion** 

**Board** Town Board

Date and Time

Monday, January 8 2001 at 7:00 PM

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

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## **Minutes**

The Town of Champion Town Board held its organizational meeting on Monday, January 8, 2001 at the Municipal Building at 7:00PM. Present were: Supervisor Buckley, Councilmen Miller, Watkins, Stewart, and Buzzell, Highway Superintendent Martin, and Attorney Farley.

Supervisor Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM and opened the meeting to public comment. Mr. Walter Becker, representing the Carthage Chamber of Commerce, requested funding support for the Carthage Winterfest to be held on February  $10^{th}$ . Funds would be used for advertising and events. Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stewart to appropriate \$500 for the Chamber for Winterfest. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Mr. John Sawyer proposed the construction of a water tower in Water District #2 and asked for legislative support to require lights on bicycles.

## **Monthly Reports**

- Engineer-Supervisor Buckley reported that bids for Water District #4 will be let out by the end of January.
- DANC-Mr. Condino reported that they have succeeded in identifying and correcting the air generation in the Water District #2 system.
- Highway Superintendent-Mr. Martin reported that the section of County Route 47 north of NYS Route 126 has been reclassified by the County and is now a Class A highway.
- Zoning Officer-Report read and accepted.
- Transfer Site-Supervisor Buckley reported that Waste Management of Watertown has begun charging the Town \$50.00/month for cardboard collection.
- Planning Board-Mr. LaBarge updated the Board on the status of the RACOG planning study.

Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the minutes for December 28,2000. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to pay the following bills:

General 1-24.....\$12,626.90

Highway 1-10.....\$11,462.59

Sewer #1 Capital 1-4.....\$195,352.46

Water #3 Capital 1-2.....\$15,386.00

Water #1 O&M 1.....\$17.00

Water #2 O&M 1-3.....\$493.71

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the Supervisor's report as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Supervisor Buckley read a letter of resignation from William Tribol, Zoning Board chairman. Mr. Tribol will be moving out of the area. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Watkins to accept the resignation with regret. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

## **New Business**

The Board reviewed quotes from Allied Industrial Laundries and Tri-State Laundries to supply uniforms for highway employees. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to award the contract to Tri-State Laundries based on the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to award the bid to supply LP Gas to Griffith's Energy as the lowest responsible bidder. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. stewart to appoint the following individuals to the position noted:

- Deputy Clerk- Janice Houghton, Margaret Brotherton, and Megan Vargulick
- Registrar- Christina Vargulick
- Deputy registrar- Megan Vargulick
- Historian- Suzanne Wiley
- Town Attorney- Timothy A. Farley
- Zoning Enforcement Officer- Brian S. Phelps
- Planning Board member- Peter LaBarge (12/31/2005)
- Frances Brooks (12/31/2003)
- Twin Village Recreation representative-Thomas Stewart
- Deputy Supervisor- Richard L. Miller

Aves-5, Navs-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Miller to appoint Mary Ann Yuhas as the voting delegate at the Association of Towns convention. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stewart to set salaries as presented (see attached). Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Miller to adopt the investment and procurement policies and forms without amendment. Ayes-5. Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Watkins to set the first Monday of the month as the meeting date and 7:00PM as the meeting time. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to designate Key Bank, Community Bank, HSBC, and Chase Manhattan as the depositories in which the

Supervisor, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, and Justices shall deposit all monies coming into their hands by virtue of their offices. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Watkins authorizing all elected officials to attend all necessary schools. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Miller to set the mileage reimbursement rate at \$.30/mile. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Watkins to designate the Carthage Republican Tribune and the Watertown Daily Times as the official newspapers of the Town. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Watkins to authorize the Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor to sign checks. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to designate Family Practice Associates as the firm to perform all necessary alcohol and substance testing. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to hire Wanetta Monaghan, as water meter reader and groundskeeper, at an hourly rate of \$10.00/hour. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to hire Brian Phelps, as central communications specialist, at an annual salary of \$2,000. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The financial records of the Supervisor, Town Clerk, and Justices were audited and signed.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to authorize the Supervisor to execute an application to the DWSRF to provide financial assistance for the construction of Champion Water District #4. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Mr. Martin was present for the session. Executive session began at 8:43PM.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to return to open session. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Open session resumed at 9:32PM.

Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:32PM.

Christina Vargulick

Town Clerk