**Organization Town of Champion** 

**Board** Town Board

**Date and** 

Time

Thursday, December 30 2004 at 9:00 AM

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

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## **Minutes**

The Champion Town Board met in special session on Thursday, December 30, 2004 at 9:00am at the Town Municipal Offices. Present were Supervisor Buckley, Councilmen Stewart, Watkins, Buzzell, and Peck, Attorney Farley and Highway Superintendent Sech.

Supervisor Buckley opened the meeting for comment from the public. Kris Dimmick, Bernier, Carr & Associates, updated the Board in regards to the water/sewer extension projects in Pine Ridge Estates. Construction is substantially complete including system testing and approvals. Mr. Dimmick recommended that the Board consider a change order to delete the contractor's responsibilities for restoration. Such action would make funds available for the purchase of additional equipment and a flushing hydrant. The Board agreed to consider the change order if the project close out figures indicate that it is feasible.

Mr. Dimmick presented contract amendments for both the sewer and water main extensions. He explained that revisions to the agreement have been proposed to include service for an archaeological survey and stakeout associated with the additional work currently in construction. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Peck to approve a Sewer Main Extension contract amendment increase in the amount of \$2,241.09. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve a Water Main Extension contract amendment increase in the amount of \$2,000. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The bills were read for reference only. Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Peck to pay the following bills as submitted:

General #358-381	\$22,463.10
Highway #283-300	\$18,977.29
RACOG #36-37	\$1,861.52
Consolidated WD #86-91	\$882.79
SD#1 Ext #2-3	\$54,222.93
WD#1 Ext #7-8	\$62,276.22
WD#4 O&M #13	\$99.00

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Sech reported on road and equipment conditions, Cole Road signage, and gravel delivered to the Carthage fire site.

The Board reviewed the municipal snow and ice agreement extension for the 2006-07 season. Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Peck to authorize the Supervisor to execute the agreement as submitted. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to set a public hearing for Local Law #2 for 2005 – Ending a 180 moratorium on site plan approvals for January 3, 2005 at 7:20pm. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence from the Carthage Area Rescue Squad detailing a rate increase.

The Board reviewed an application from William Humes for a junkyard license. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to authorize the Clerk to issue the license for a term ending 12/31/2005. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the appointment of a zoning enforcement officer to replace Brian Phelps who has been appointed assessor for the City of Watertown. Supervisor Buckley indicated that he has spoken to an interested individual and would submit the appointment for Board approval at the organizational meeting.

The Board discussed year end budget transfers. Motion by Mr. Peck, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the transfers as submitted (see attached). Ayes-5, Nays-0

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Peck to go into executive session to discuss information relating to a current investigation. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Executive session began at 9:54am.

Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to return to open session. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Open session resumed at 10:23am.

The Board reviewed the proposed zoning amendments and deleted "Section 610-B; Residential use" from the proposal.

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Stewart to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:55am.

Christina Vargulick Town Clerk