

Organization Town of Champion

Board Town Board

Date and Time Monday, November 4 2013 at 7:00 PM

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

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Minutes

The Town of Champion Town Board met in regular monthly session on Monday, November 4, 2013 at the Town Municipal Building, 10 North Broad Street, West Carthage. Present were Supervisor Buckley, Councilmen Stewart, Watkins, Buzzell, and Ferguson, Highway Superintendent Sech and Attorney Farley.

Supervisor Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and opened the public forum. No one from the public addressed the Board.

Monthly Reports

- Councilmen - Mr. Ferguson reported on the activities of the Housing Rehabilitation committee.
- Highway - Mr. Sech reported that the trunnion on 1996 Mack has been replaced and the frame welded in preparation for harnessing the plowing equipment.
- Justice Court - Mr. Quinn reported decreased activity in the court and the submittal of the JCAP grant application.
- Planning Board/ZEO - Mr. LaBarge reported a significant number of subdivisions in addition to permits for home construction in Great Bend.
- Historian - Mrs. Thornton reported that the CIDC has approved a \$30,000 loan for repairs to the roof on the Hiram Hubbard House. Hyde Stone Mechanical has generously donated a furnace for the historic home and Peter LaBarge will install it and the heat runs. Pending the installation of the heating system, a security system will be installed.

Proof of notice having been furnished, the public hearing on the 2014 Town Budget was called to order at 7:15pm by Supervisor Buckley. No one spoke for or against the proposed budget. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the hearing was closed at 7:16pm.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to approve the minutes of October 7, 2013 as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Ferguson to approve payment of the following bills as presented:

General #268-299.....	\$27,037.60
Highway #198-214.....	\$35,099.64
RACOG #23-24.....	\$89.02
Con WD#1 O&M #31-34.....	\$23,991.13
Con WD#4 O&M #62-72.....	\$6,710.65
SD#2 Capital #9.....	\$2,329.78

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Supervisor's monthly report was read and discussed. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to accept the report as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Board members reviewed budget transfers as recommended (see attached). Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Ferguson to approve the budget transfers as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

New Business

- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell:
 WHEREAS, the Town Board has met at the time and place specified in the notice of public hearing on the preliminary budget and heard all persons desiring to be heard thereon;
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby adopt the preliminary budget as the annual budget of the Town of Champion for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of January 2014 and that such budget as so adopted be entered in the minutes of the Town Board; and
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town shall prepare and certify, in duplicate, copies of the said annual budget as adopted pursuant to Section 202A and B2 of the Town Law and shall present a copy thereof to the Supervisor of the Town to be presented by him to the County Legislature.
 Roll call vote: Mr. Stewart-aye, Mr. Watkins-aye, Mr. Buzzell-aye,

- Mr. Ferguson, and Supervisor Buckley-aye. Motion carried.
- Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to authorize the Supervisor to sign the letter of engagement with Furgison and Co. for audits of the years 2013-2017. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
 - Board members reviewed a request from the Village of West Carthage for funds to install a racing hydrant. The Village will host the 2014 NYS Firemens' Association convention and needs the hydrant for the firematic competitions. The estimated cost for materials and installation is \$2,000. Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Ferguson to cover the costs of materials and installation for the construction of the hydrant on South Main Street. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
 - The Town Clerk submitted her recommendation for the relevy of delinquent water and sewer charges to the Board. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the relevies as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
 - Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Ferguson to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

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