

The Town of Champion Town Board met in regular monthly session on Monday, April 4, 2022 at the Town Municipal Building, 10 North Broad Street, West Carthage. Present were Supervisor Peck, Councilmen Stewart, Gump and Russell and Highway Superintendent Strife. Councilman Uhlinger was absent.

Supervisor Peck called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Peck opened the meeting for public comment. Jonathan Schell, Eddy Road, thanked the highway department for their excellent winter road maintenance. He advised the Board that the two resolutions they previously adopted for Farmland Protection have been approved by the State.

Terry Williams, vice-president of the Copenhagen Fire Department, questioned the division of funds remaining from the dissolved Champion Fire Department. Supervisor Peck responded that the funds were approved for distribution to Copenhagen and West Carthage at the September 2021 meeting of the Board and checks were mailed. T. Williams reported that a review of the financial records of the Copenhagen Fire Department show that no funds were misappropriated. Any discrepancies in accounts were bookkeeping issues. Supervisor Peck advised that he has reviewed the contract between the town and village and determined that it has been adhered to. Members discussed issues regarding dispatch, call-outs and departments working together. The Board was invited to the fire department's annual banquet.

Monthly Reports

- Councilmen – B. Russell reported complaints from residents on Jackson Road, Jackson II Road and Pennock Road regarding speeding and questioned if the speed limits could be reduced. Supervisor Peck explained that NYS DOT must approve all speed limit changes on town roads. M. Gump suggested adding County Route 47 to the request. Supervisor Peck recommended notifying law enforcement and requesting more patrolling stating that if current speed limits are not being adhered to now that it was unlikely that a lower speed limit would improve compliance. M. Gump suggested authorizing the V/West Carthage police department to enforce the speed limits on town roads. Supervisor Peck said he would research the office of town constable. T. Stewart stated that fire chiefs are also constables.
- Highway Superintendent – J. Strife reported plowing roads this morning but has started removing some plowing equipment. The department built and rebuilt a number of tables in the Village Green Park. J. Strife reported that the Hall Road mining permit has been updated through 2026.
- Circuit Rider – M. Dietrich summarized his monthly report. The RACOG Economic Summit will be held April 28th from 9am-noon. M. Gump requested that events be scheduled for evenings or weekends to allow more participation.

Motion by T. Stewart, seconded by B. Russell to approve the minutes of March 7, 2022 as presented. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Russell, seconded by M. Gump to approve payment of the following bills as presented:

General #88-112.....	\$15,857.99
Highway #35-49.....	\$21,208.70
RACOG #8-10.....	\$2,000.00
Con WD#1 O&M #7.....	\$425.55
WD#2,4&5 O&M #24-30.....	\$5,663.83
SD#2 O&M #12-15.....	\$1,778.99

Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Supervisor's monthly report was read and discussed. Motion by M. Gump, seconded by B. Russell to approve the report as presented. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Gump, seconded by B. Russell to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

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