

The Town of Champion Town Board met in regular monthly session on Monday, January 6, 2025. Present were Supervisor Peck, Councilmen McMahon and Uhlinger and Highway Superintendent Sech. Councilmen Russell and Sech were absent.

Supervisor Peck called the meeting to order at 7:03pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Peck opened the public forum. No one from the public addressed the Board.

Monthly Reports

- Councilmen – W. McMahon questioned the status of the response to the notice of surface water in WD#2.
- Highway Superintendent – M. Sech reported that the overhead door replacement for Champion Station 2 will be installed on Thursday and on the repair/replacement of culvert pipes on Warner and Conroy Drive and the planned replacement of 230 feet of culvert pipe in Champion Heights this year.
- Assessor – W. Vargulick reported that the equalization rate has dropped according to the preliminary numbers from the State.
- Zoning Enforcement – M. Pomerville submitted his written report.
- Circuit Rider – M. Dietrich reported that the next RACOG meeting is scheduled for January 23 and the Economic Summit has been rescheduled for April 10.

Motion by J. Uhlinger, seconded by W. McMahon to approve the minutes of December 2 and 30, 2024 as presented. Ayes-3, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by W. McMahon, seconded by J. Uhlinger to approve payment of the following bills as presented:

General #1-17.....	\$38,459.95
Highway #1-6.....	\$57,985.81
Con WD#1 O&M #1-3.....	\$1,131.10
WD#2,4&5 O&M #1-9.....	\$26,639.34
SD#2 O&M #1.....	\$903.58

Ayes-3, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Supervisor’s monthly report was read and discussed. J. Peck asked what the rate of interest was for the certificates of deposit. D. Martel responded that the rate is 4.2% Motion by J. Uhlinger, seconded by W. McMahon to accept the report as presented. Ayes-3, Nays-0. Motion carried.

New Business

Resolution offered by W. McMahon, seconded by J. Uhlinger to approve the following:

1. GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

- Deputy Supervisor – William McMahon
- Deputy clerk – Christine Scott
- Registrar – Christina Vargulick
- Court Clerk – Helen Novak
- Deputy Court Clerk – Christina Vargulick
- Historian – Lynn Thornton
- Clerk to Supervisor – Donna Martel
- Deputy Highway Supt. – Mark Rice
- Town Attorney - Timothy Farley
- Zoning Enforcement Officer – Mark Pomerville
- RACOG member- John D. Peck
- Planning Board member – Charles Richards

2. SET MEETING DATES AND TIME
 - a) Town Board first Monday of each month at 7:00PM
 - b) Planning Board second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 4:00PM, as necessary
 - c) Zoning Board first Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM, as necessary
3. DESIGNATE BANKS-Community and Carthage Savings
4. AUTHORIZE OFFICIALS TO ATTEND NECESSARY SCHOOLS
5. MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT- In accordance with IRS reimbursement rates
6. DESIGNATE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER – Watertown Daily Times
7. REAUTHORIZE INVESTMENT/PROCUREMENT POLICIES
8. AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR OR DEPUTY SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CHECKS
9. DESIGNATE FIRM TO ADMINISTER DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING - OnSite Testing Services, Inc.
10. CELLPHONES – Authorized for business use only
11. AUTHORIZE PRE-PAYMENT OF UTILITY, SECURITY, POSTAGE, FUEL BILLING AND ANY OTHER PAYMENTS DEEMED TO BE A SAVINGS

Ayes-3, Nays-0. Resolution adopted.

Resolution offered by W. McMahon, seconded by J. Uhlinger to approve the following salaries:

Councilman: \$4,100 each, payable bi-weekly
 Supervisor: \$19,500, payable bi-weekly
 Deputy Supervisor: \$2,500, payable bi-weekly
 Clerk to Supervisor: \$23,700, payable bi-weekly
 Town Clerk/Collector: \$49,940 payable bi-weekly
 Justices: \$17,000 each, payable bi-weekly
 Assessor: \$29,700, payable bi-weekly
 Zoning Officer: \$9,975, payable bi-weekly
 Town Attorney: \$9,000 payable bi-weekly
 Court Clerk: \$24.32/hour, payable bi-weekly
 Highway Superintendent: \$63,675 payable bi-weekly
 Part Time/Seasonal MEO: \$21.75/hour, payable bi-weekly
 Part Time/Seasonal Laborer: \$18.75/hour, payable bi-weekly
 Deputy Town Clerk: \$21.00/hour
 Consolidated WD#1 Clerk: \$6,000, payable bi-weekly
 Water District #2/4/5 Clerk: \$5,000, payable bi-weekly
 Sewer District #1 Clerk: \$3,700 payable bi-weekly
 Sewer District #2 Clerk: \$5,000, payable bi-weekly
 RACOG Clerk: \$500, payable bi-weekly
 RACOG ZBA Clerk: \$1,000, payable bi-weekly
 Planning Board Clerk: \$1,000, payable bi-weekly
 Planning Board Chairman: \$1,400/yr, payable quarterly
 Planning Board member: \$800/yr, payable quarterly
 Board of Assessment Review: Chairman \$100.00
 Member \$75.00 each

Ayes-3, Nays-0. Resolution adopted.

Motion by J. Uhlinger, seconded by W. McMahon to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:19pm

Christina Vargulick
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 Town Clerk