

Organization Town of Champion

Board Town Board

Date and Time Monday, November 2 1998 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 Champion Town Board met in regular monthly session on Monday, November 2, 1998 at 7:00pm in the Municipal Office. Present were: Supervisor Buckley, Councilmen Buzzell, Watkins, Miller, and Stewart, Attorney Farley, and Highway Superintendent Martin.

Proof of Notice having been furnished, the Public Hearing on the preliminary budget for 1999 was called to order at 7:00pm by Supervisor Buckley. The Board discussed changes to the contingency, general fund interest, and SARA fund personnel and equipment line items. No one spoke for or against the preliminary budget. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Hearing was terminated at 7:07pm.

Proof of Notice having been furnished, the Public Hearing on the fire contracts for 1999 was called to order at 7:08pm by Supervisor Buckley. No one spoke for or against the fire contracts. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Hearing was terminated at 7:09pm.

Supervisor Buckley opened the meeting for public comment. No one from the public spoke.

Monthly Reports

- DANC-D. Richter reviewed the water flows for October and reported that Champion Water District #2 system is operational. DANC is providing seven- (7) day per week monitoring pending computer support.
- Engineer-K. Dimmick reported that the majority of work is complete in Champion Water District #2. Items to be completed include: RTU hookup, roofing of the water plant, and ground settlement issues. The fire pump will be engaged when the RTU is functional so that the complete unit may be evaluated. Supervisor Buckley recommended scheduling a meeting with the Champion Fire Department to instruct them on the correct use of the fire protection aspects of the system. Councilman Stewart reminded Mr. Dimmick that some hydrants in the district need to be turned.

Mr. Dimmick reported on the progress of Champion Sewer District #1.

A survey of each residence in the district is being completed to determine the location of septic tanks and other underground services. A similar survey will be completed for Champion Water District #3. Supervisor Buckley reported that he has signed the loan agreement with RUD for Champion Water District #3.

- Highway Superintendent-Mr. Martin reported that black topping is complete. The shoulders on Line School Road will be completed as weather permits. Sand is being hauled from the pit. Supervisor Buckley commended Superintendent Martin and his crew for all that they have accomplished during this construction season and the outstanding quality of the work.
- Zoning Officer-Report read and accepted.
- Parks-Mr. Eddy reported that the committee did not receive the matching fund grant from NYS Parks and Recreation but will continue to complete those aspects of the project that have already been budgeted for. The committee will advertise for RFP's for a triangular monument to honor the founding families from Champion, Great Bend, and West Carthage. The committee has set Saturday, November 7, 1998 at 9:00am as a clean-up day for Monument Park and the Village Park.
- Historian-Mrs. Wiley reported that the Scouts have erected a sign marking South Champion cemetery. A bicentennial committee has been organized and is meeting to plan a celebration of the founding of the Town. The next meeting of the group in November 12 at the Church of the Latter Day Saints.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the minutes for October 5 and 26, 1998. Ayes-4, Nays-0, Abstained-Mr. Buzzell. Motion carried.

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

General fund #394-428.....\$386,568.83
 Highway fund #229-245.....\$ 50,728.71

Champion Water #1Capital #6.....\$ 2,880.00
Champion Water #2 Capital #39-50.....\$1,710,378.66
Champion Water #1 O&M #24-27.....\$18,484.38
Champion Water #2 O&M #31-32.....\$630.45

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

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

The Board agreed to call a special meeting on Thursday, November 5, 1998 to review and take action on necessary budget transfers.

Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to transfer \$90,000 from general fund to Champion Water District #2 capital fund. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the contract with DANC to provide for the operation and maintenance of Champion Water District #2. Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to approve the five year agreement effective January 1, 1999. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Supervisor Buckley shared correspondence received from Congressman John McHugh, State Senator James Wright, Mr. Wally Beyer, USDA, and Niagara Mohawk.

The Board discussed the preliminary budget and modified the budget to reflect additional revenues from the SARA grant fund and corresponding expenditures. The Board also increased account A9710.7 with funds from the contingency account. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Stewart and 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 BY IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby adopt the preliminary budget as amended as the annual budget of the Town of Champion for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of January 1999 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 on copy thereof to the Supervisor of the Town to be presented by him to the County Legislature.

Roll call vote: Mr. Watkins-aye, Mr. Buzzell-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mr. Stewart-aye, and Supervisor Buckley-aye. Resolution adopted.

The Board reviewed and revised the water rates for Champion Water District #1 and #2 for outside users. Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stewart to amend the outside user rates for both districts as follows:

\$80.00 basic rate / quarter and

\$ 4.00 / 1000 gallons of water used

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Supervisor informed the Board that he has completed the financing of Champion Water District #2 with Rural Development and has drawn 100% of the loan and a majority of the grant pending review of additional expenditures. The Supervisor recommended the adoption of a refunding bond resolution to facilitate the refinancing of the District with EFC at 0% interest. Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stewart to adopt a refunding bond resolution in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.00. Roll call vote: Mr. Watkins-aye, Mr. Buzzell-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mr. Stewart-aye and Supervisor Buckley-aye. Resolution adopted.

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

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The Town Board met in special session on Thursday, November 5, 1998 at 9:15AM at the Municipal office to adopt budget transfers and to take action on all other necessary business. Present was Supervisor Buckley, Councilmen Stewart and Miller, and James Yuhas, financial director.

Supervisor Buckley called the meeting to order.

Mr. Yuhas reviewed and responded to questions concerning the proposed budget transfers. Transfers were required to allocate monies received from loans, grants and ice storm reimbursements to the appropriate accounts.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the budget transfers (see attached) as presented. Ayes-3, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the fees for special use permits that will be required as a consequence of the adoption of Local Law #5 for 1998. Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Miller to set the fee at \$100.00. Ayes-3, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stewart to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:28AM.

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