

Organization Town of Champion

Board Town Board

Date and Time Monday, August 5 2002 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 session on Monday, August 5, 2002 at 7:00PM at the Municipal Offices. Present were Supervisor Buckley, Councilmen Watkins, Stewart, Peck(7:04PM), and Buzzell(7:05PM), Attorney Farley, and Highway Superintendent Sech.

Supervisor Buckley called the meeting to order and opened the meeting for comment from the public. No one spoke during the public forum.

Monthly Reports

- Councilmen-The Councilmen commented on the quality of the paving accomplished by the highway department.
- Highway-Superintendent Sech's report was reviewed and accepted. The Superintendent and Board discussed the condition of the Trojan loader. It was the consensus of the Board, due to the poor condition of the equipment, to expend no further funds to repair the equipment at this time. Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Peck to advertise for bids for a new loader as per the specifications of the highway superintendent. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Town Attorney-Mr. Farley reported that a letter had been sent to Forist Brockway informing him that the structures on Cutler Road must be repaired or demolished.
- Zoning Officer-Report read and accepted.
- Parks-Mr. Eddy reported very dry conditions in the parks. Plans are being organized for a concert in Village Green Park on August 25th.

Proof of notice having been furnished, the public hearing Local Law #2 for 2002-Amendment to the Zoning Map was called to order at 7:30PM by Supervisor Buckley. Steve Gamble, NYS Rte 3, Carthage spoke in favor of the amendment. No one spoke against the amendment. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the public hearing was closed at 7:32PM.

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the minutes for July 1, 2002 as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to approve payment of the following bills:

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| General #201-225..... | \$23,013.65 |
| Highway #158-183..... | \$55,513.02 |
| RACOG #11-14..... | \$1,691.85 |
| SD#1 Cap #4..... | \$734.38 |
| SD#1 O&M #32-34..... | \$7,284.50 |
| Twin Village Pool #6-12..... | \$536.25 |
| WD#1 O&M #18-21..... | \$1,894.13 |
| WD#2 O&M #43-49..... | \$3,176.14 |
| WD#3 Cap #12..... | \$42,734.23 |
| WD#3 O&M #23..... | \$1,930.18 |
| WD#4 Cap #13-14..... | \$3,756.55 |
| WD#4 O&M #7-8..... | \$2,125.38 |

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

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

New Business

- Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve Local Law #2 for 2002-Amendment to the Zoning map for the purpose of expanding the business district along the east side of NYS Route 26 to the Jackson II Road. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Peck to adopt a resolution in support of an application for Empire Zone designation for a two-square mile County Wide Empire Zone being put forth by Jefferson County. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to adopt a resolution in support of an application for Forest Fire District designation county wide being put forth by Jefferson County. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Supervisor Buckley presented information from the July RACOG meeting relative to bulk energy purchases through the Great Watertown Chamber of Commerce energy alliance. Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Stewart to authorize the Supervisor to execute a contract for the energy needs of the Town pending a review of the Town's energy use and potential savings. Supervisor Buckley-aye, Mr. Watkins-aye, Mr. Stewart-aye, Mr. Peck-aye, and Mr. Buzzell-abstained. Motion carried.
- It was the consensus of the Board to change the date of the September board meeting to September 9th due to the Labor Day holiday.
- Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Peck to authorize the Supervisor to execute an application for a park improvement grant through the 2002 "Main Street New York" downtown development initiative. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Supervisor Buckley reported that the Twin Village Pool was closed due to a lack of water and contamination. Discussions will be initiated to explore alternative arrangements.
- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Executive session began at 8:13PM.
- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Watkins to return to open session. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Open session resumed at 8:54PM.
- Motion by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Peck to authorize Mr. Farley to prepare a contract between the Town, lessor, and AOL/Time Warner, lessee for a five-year contract with substantially the same terms as the previous contract. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:57PM.

Christina Vargulick

Town Clerk