

Organization Town of Champion

Board Town Board

Date and Time Monday, June 2 2014 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, June 2, 2014 at the Town Municipal Building, 10 North Broad Street, West Carthage. Present were Supervisor Buckley, Councilmen Stewart, Watkins, and Buzzell and Highway Superintendent Sech. Councilman Ferguson was excused.

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

Monthly Reports

- Fire Department – David Garwood, Esq., representing the Champion Fire Department, questioned the collection and distribution of special district tax. Mr. Garwood asserted that any funds paid to the department must be specified within the contract and that additional funding is prohibited. He also stated that the department needs more money to purchase items such as radios, face masks, hoses, and ladders. Supervisor Buckley questioned L. Waite, Fire Chief, regarding a planned meeting to discuss a realignment of the fire protection district boundaries. Mr. Waite stated that he will schedule a meeting for a time all parties are available to attend. L. Waite presented a map prepared by the fire department detailing their interpretation of the contractual boundaries. He and Mr. Garwood then discussed the assessed value of each fire protection district and alleged that the Champion Fire Department should receive more money. Councilman Watkins stated that the boundary issue should be resolved and discussions regarding future funding should be held during budget deliberations.
- Highway Superintendent – Mr. Sech discussed activity during the previous month including renting a roller; road dust control; roadside mowing; Whitaker Road construction; and equipment repair and maintenance. Councilman Buzzell asked if the County had provided a cost for replacing the Taylor Road bridge with a bridge they had removed from another site. Mr. Sech stated that he had not requested the information because an older replacement bridge was not a feasible alternative.
- Planning Board/ZEO – Mr. LaBarge reported that the Planning Board recently approved a minor subdivision on County Route 143. He also reported that construction has begun on the new church in Great Bend.
- Parks/Historian – Mrs. Thornton thanked the highway department for their repair and installation of the kiosk in Village Green Park. She reported that flowers have been planted in the park and that a kitchen garden was planted at the Hiram Hubbard House. A memorial service for Peter Rogers will be held at the Hiram Hubbard House at 3:00pm Sunday, June 8th.
- Circuit Rider – Ms. Amyot reminded members that the Black River Watershed conference is on June 4, 2014.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to approve the minutes of May 5, 2014 as presented. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to pay the following bills as presented:

General #126-152.....	\$17,572.92
Highway #80-100.....	\$37,022.29
RACOG #10-15.....	\$2,624.90
Con WD#1 O&M #10-12.....	\$6,720.71
WD#2,4,& 5 O&M #28-33.....	\$5,303.30
SD#1 O&M #3.....	\$6,067.25
SD#2 O&M #12-14.....	\$4,066.90
SD#2 Capital #8.....	\$17,272.40

Ayes-4, 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-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

New Business

- Resolution offered by Mr. Buzzell, seconded by Mr. Stewart to adopt the following:
A resolution authorizing the issuance of serial bonds in the Town of Champion Sewer District #2 in an amount not to exceed \$2,525,000 the proceeds of which are to be used for the replacement of an existing gravity transmission line which runs from NYS Route 26 to the West Carthage/Carthage wastewater treatment plant and extension to the main line in a southerly direction along NYS Route 26 and to include the replacement of

all sanitary manholes currently in this line. Roll call vote: Mr. Stewart-aye, Mr. Watkins-aye, Mr. Buzzell-aye, and Supervisor Buckley-aye. Resolution adopted.

- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Watkins to authorize the Supervisor to execute all documents for the Sewer District #2 Improvement project with USDA-Rural Development. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Resolution offered by Councilman Stewart; seconded by Councilman Buzzell:

WHEREAS, the underground electrical service between Champion Heights Treatment Plant and Well #2 has shorted out and would be costly to replace and;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the best course of action is to install a new electrical service at the well head and install an RTU Control Panel to turn the pump on and off and;

WHEREAS, the Town of Champion is desirous of receiving supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) services for the water project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Champion Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute an agreement with the Development Authority of the North Country including but not limited to the following: to design, purchase and build an RTU control panel, purchase and install antenna, antenna mast, antenna cable and polyphasor at the well head, and provide technical services and control engineering to program and integrate the RTU with the Champion Heights Water Plant to cycle the well on/off in conjunction with the water plants request for water.

Supervisor Buckley.....aye
 Councilman Stewart.....aye
 Councilman Watkins.....aye
 Councilman Buzzell.....aye
 Councilman Ferguson.....absent

Resolution adopted.

- Supervisor Buckley discussed a proposal by Jefferson County Emergency Management to equip Level 3 - ALS emergency vehicles with computers to allow direct communication of the real time health information of persons suspected of suffering a cardiac event to a cardiac specialist to facilitate emergency treatment. The total cost to equip the Carthage Area Rescue Squad (CARS) is \$3,000. The Town of Wilna will discuss sharing the cost with the Town of Champion at their meeting scheduled for June 9, 2014. Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to divide the cost of equipping CARS equally with the Town of Wilna. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.
- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing a contract negotiation. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried. Executive session began at 7:57pm.
- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to return to open session. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried. Open session resumed at 8:29pm.
- Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Watkins to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

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