

**Organization Town of Champion**

**Board Town Board**

**Date and Time Monday, February 2 2015 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 monthly session on Monday, February 2, 2015 at the Town Municipal Building, 10 North Broad Street, West Carthage. Present were Deputy Supervisor Ferguson, Councilmen Stewart, Watkins, and Buzzell, and Highway Superintendent Sech. Supervisor Buckley and Attorney Farley were excused.

Deputy Supervisor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and opened the meeting for public comment. No one from the public spoke.

**Monthly Reports**

- Fire Department – Mr. Ferguson asked the Champion Fire Department to submit the items required on Schedule C of the fire contract.
- Councilmen – Mr. Stewart commented on the new plow truck. Mr. Watkins reported that the CAPC is preparing income taxes for low income and elderly applicants by appointment.
- Highway Superintendent – Mr. Sech reported the following: the new plow truck has been delivered; snow banks are being cut back; assisting the Villages with snow removal; Marvin Micek retirement; submitted a request to replace the trailer mounted generator at a cost not to exceed \$3,570.
- Assessor – Mr. Vargulick reported that he is reviewing and applying exemption applications and renewals.
- Planning Board/ZEO – Mr. LaBarge reported that the Board is reviewing applications for the placement of a cell tower and electric lines for the transmission of wind power.

Proof of notice having been furnished, the public hearing on an application for Community Development Block Grant funding through the NYS Office of Community Renewal was called to order at 7:15pm by Deputy Supervisor Ferguson. No one spoke for or against the proposal. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the hearing was closed at 7:16pm.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to approve the minutes for January 5, 2015 as presented. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

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

General #20-47.....	\$229,992.46
Highway #9-22.....	\$244,261.76
RACOG #3.....	\$74.90
Con WD#1 O&M #2-6.....	\$7,201.61
WD#2,4&5 O&M #5-11.....	\$12,324.80
SD#1 O&M #2.....	\$58,697.50
SD#2 O&M #4.....	\$133.08
SD#2 Capital #1.....	\$3,428.24

Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Supervisor’s monthly report was read and discussed. Motion by Mr. Watkins, 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:

**WHEREAS**, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding is available through the NYS Office of Community Renewal to support local community development activities which are undertaken by eligible municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the village of Carthage is administering a local housing rehabilitation program with CDBG funding that has been received in the past; and

**WHEREAS**, the village of Carthage intends to apply for additional CDBG funding to continue those activities in the villages of Carthage and West Carthage and the towns of Wilna and Champion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the town of Champion has determined that a joint proposal with the town of Wilna and the villages of Carthage and West Carthage will be the best way to secure additional CDBG funding and administer a local housing rehabilitation program in this community; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposal was considered at a public hearing conducted by the Town Board on February 2, 2015.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Supervisor is authorized to sign a Cooperation Agreement with the town of Wilna and the villages of Carthage and West Carthage to support a joint application for Community Development Block Grant funding that will be submitted for consideration in the 2014 competition through the NYS Office of Community Renewal.

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

Aye-4, Nay-0. Resolution adopted.

Board members audited the year end reports and balances for the Supervisor, Town Clerk and Justices and acknowledged by signature their concurrence.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Buzzell to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:24pm.

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