

The Town of Champion Town Board met in regular session on Monday, July 6, 2020 at the Town Municipal Building, 10 North Broad Street, West Carthage. Present were Supervisor Ferguson, Councilmen Stewart, Watkins, Waite and Gump and Highway Superintendent Strife.

Supervisor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Ferguson opened the meeting for public comment. No one addressed the Board.

Monthly Reports

- Highway Superintendent – Mr. Strife reported the following: paving complete on Cole Road and VanBrocklin Road; shoulder work is pending; equipment has been cleaned, painted, and maintained; road side mowing continues; and park and building maintenance. Large deposits of trash were found on Whitaker Road and Austin/Taylor Roads. The NYSDEC was contacted and the owners of the trash identified. Superintendent Strife strongly advocated that the offenders be prosecuted to discourage the illegal dumping. Mr. Strife will submit applications for funding from the PaveNY, Winter Recovery and CHIPs programs for work accomplished on VanBrocklin Road. The town barn continues to be thoroughly cleaned on a regular basis to protect the health of the employees.
- Circuit Rider – M. Dietrich reported that the next scheduled RACOG meeting is September 15, 2020. An intern from Fort Drum has begun work on the Executive Summary Plan and will continue through mid-August.

Motion by H. Watkins, seconded by T. Stewart to approve the minutes for June 1 and June 19, 2020 as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by T. Stewart, seconded by L. Waite to approve payment of the following bills as presented:

General #157-192.....	\$55,689.53
Highway #80-97.....	\$112,552.83
RACOG #10-13.....	\$575.00
Con WD#1 O&M #12-15.....	\$6,005.66
WD#2,4&5 O&M #36-45.....	\$5,120.31
SD#1 O&M #4-5.....	\$21,451.60
SD#2 O&M #28-35.....	\$5,051.97

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Supervisor’s monthly report was read and discussed. Motion by M. Gump, seconded by T. Stewart to accept the report as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. Board members were provided with a copy of the monthly revenues and appropriations report.

Supervisor Ferguson distributed copies of the Final Plan for Judicial Dissolution of the Champion Volunteer Fire Company. The decision approves the resolution adopted by the Town without change. Supervisor Ferguson requested that T. Stewart and M. Gump execute the plan as approved in regards to distributing the Company’s equipment assets. L. Waite questioned the request for a truck engine made by the V/Deferiet Fire Department. Supervisor Ferguson stated, that since the specific request was not addressed in the final plan that the V/West Carthage will determine the disposition of the asset. H. Watkins asked how creditors are notified. Supervisor Ferguson responded that identified creditors will be directly contacted by mail and may submit a claim for payment. A public notice will also be published in the Town’s official newspaper.

Supervisor Ferguson stated that additional road work will be accomplished pending receipt of state funding. Supervisor Ferguson questioned if the Jefferson County transfer site will accept mattresses at no cost. Superintendent Strife confirmed that they will accept them for free. Mattresses will not be accepted during the Town clean up days.

Motion by T. Stewart, seconded by H. Watkins to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

Christina Vargulick
Town Clerk