

**Village of Champlain
Village Board Meeting
February 27, 2023**

A Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Champlain was held on Monday, Feb. 27, 2023 at the Village Office, 11104 Route 9, Champlain, New York.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor McFetridge called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were Mayor McFetridge, Trustees Kim Trombly, Nicci Molinski, Charles Conner & Joel Herzog and Clerk/Treasurer Munoz.

Purchase Requisition

Supt Jolicoeur has been looking for a pickup truck and plow to replace the 2008 Ford. He looked 2023 under Fleet pricing, but they have sold their quota. He received 3 quotes but the first two have already sold.

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| 2022 F350 ext. cab short box | \$53,102.50 | Riley Ford |
| 2022 F350 super cab short box | \$47,459.96 | Bailey Ford |
| 2022 F350 Ext cab long box | \$40,375.00 | Bailey Ford |

Supt. Jolicoeur would also like to purchase a plow and other accessories.

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| Fisher Plow 9'6" XV2 SS W/18" deflector installed | \$9542.00 | Riley Ford |
| “ “ “ | \$9930.00 | Bailey Ford |
| 360 LED Strobe Lights & Installation | \$1485.00 | Riley Ford |
| “ “ “ | \$2161.00 | Bailey Ford |
| Spray in bed liner | \$679.00 | Yipes |
| Front and rear floor liners | \$275 | online |
| Seat Covers | \$600 | online |
| Title & DMV fees | ?? | |

Board discussion followed.

Motion by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Trombly to approve up to \$41,000 for the purchase of the 2022 F350 from Bailey Ford. Roll call vote:

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| Trustee Trombly | Aye |
| Trustee Molinski | Aye |
| Trustee Conner | Aye |
| Trustee Herzog | Aye |
| Mayor McFetridge | Aye |

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Molinski to approve up to \$10,000 for the Fisher Plow and installation. Roll call vote:

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| Trustee Trombly | Aye |
| Trustee Molinski | Aye |
| Trustee Conner | Aye |
| Trustee Herzog | Aye |
| Mayor McFetridge | Aye |

Motion carried.

We can wait until the next board meeting to approve the additional accessories.

At 5:20, Superintendent Jolicoeur lift the meeting.

Budget Workshop
GENERAL FUND

The new budget includes 3% raises and additional increases due to longevity pay for 2 employees. Law has increased due to several land issues and more code violations. Insurance costs have increased

We will be keeping Tina Gardner for another year at \$18,000 under wastewater.

The overall increase is \$20,448.41.

The matter of a Temp employee came up. Discussion followed.

\$2,000 was added to A5110.4, \$800 added to F8340.4 and \$1,200 added to G8130.4 for Temp employee.

Youth Recreation Program

Mayor McFetridge shared information from the Youth Commission meeting regarding program expenses. All expenses (including field maintenance) are to be added together and divided evenly between the 3 municipalities, which would come to around \$6,000 each. We have budgeted this in the past, but that included the swimming program as well. If we add that back in, will be an additional \$4,000 per municipality. Our participation numbers are below those of the Rouses Point and it does not seem fair that we pay the same amount. Discussion followed. Motion by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Herzog to renegotiate the Village costs portion of the Youth Rec. Commission budget. Vote:

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| Aye | <u>4</u> |
| Nay | <u>1</u> |

Motion carried.

WATER FUND

We will need an additional \$50,000 for loan repayment for the Water Line Replacement project in the Village. If we increase water rates by \$1.25/K gal and increase service fees by \$10/quarter, we would be able to raise that amount.

SEWER FUND

We have a reserve account for engineering, construction, maintenance of sewer facility. This amount of \$81,000 would be available to help pay the first \$50,000 loan payment and could be spread out over 2 years so that we don't have to raise rates right away. In order to raise the additional \$50,000 annually, we could raise sewer rates by \$1.25/K gal and increase service fees by \$10/quarter.

Motion by Trustee Trombley, seconded by Trustee Herzog to increase Village water rates from \$5.75/K gal to \$7.00/K gal and increase the service fee from \$27.00/quarter to \$37.00/quarter. Roll call vote:

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| Trustee Trombley | Aye |
| Trustee Molinski | Aye |
| Trustee Conner | Aye |
| Trustee Herzog | Aye |
| Mayor McFetridge | Aye |

Motion carried.

Trustee Conner asked about other items that we may need to budget for.

The new pickup truck is coming out of the sewer fund.

The new lawn mower would come out of fund balance.

Water meter replacement reserves can be started with any extra fund balance.

Comprehensive Plan & Marketing are not yet in the budget.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, at 6:08 pm, a motion was made by Trustee Conner seconded by Trustee Molinski to adjourn. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary E. Spring
Secretary