

**Village of Champlain
Village Board Meeting
October 10, 2023**

A Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Champlain was held on Tuesday, October 10, 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 6:30 p.m. Present were Mayor McFetridge, Trustees Molinski, Conner & Herzog and Clerk/Treasurer Munoz. Trustee Trombley was excused this evening.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Herzog to approve the minutes of the September 11th Board Meeting. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: Local Law: Flood Damage Protection

6:32 p.m. Motion to close regular meeting by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Conner All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion to open Public Hearing by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Herzog. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

The Public Hearing is for a Local Law regarding Flood Damage Protections.

No one was present from the community with comments or questions

At 6:34 p.m. Motion to close the Public Hearing by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Molinski. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion to reopen the regular meeting by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Conner. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND GENERAL QUESTION PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY

No one was present from the community this evening.

REPORT FROM CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

There was no report from the Codes Enforcement Officer this evening.

REPORT FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor McFetridge reported the following:

The Village will pick up loose brush only from Oct. 16-31st. 1 pickup load per property. Brush should be 3” or less in diameter and 8’ or less in length. Regarding brush and leaf pickup, a private citizen will be picking up bagged leaves.

Mayor McFetridge thanked all that were involved in the Village’s 150th Birthday celebration including our DPW crew, Mary & Juanita, the Board members, former Mayor Greg Martin, Jason Borrie, Anastasia Pratt & John Zurlo. Also thanks to the organizations & businesses present, the K of C’s, the Town of Champlain’s Supervisor Trombley, the Clinton County Legislature, NYS Senator Stec, NYS Assemblyman Jones, & representatives for Congressperson Stefanik and Governor Hochul.

A special thanks to David Lepage for his Eagle Scout project dedicating the playground to Clarke Herdic.

Thank you to Stewarts for the Ice Cream and “All without the Bass” for the musical entertainment.

She wished the Champlain Fire Dept. a Happy Birthday and thanks to all in the department who helped with cooking and serving food at the event.

The Ban on Burning in the Village will be reinstated.

Trunk or Treat will be held at the playground on Oct. 28th at 1 p.m.

The Fun Run 5K will start on the Rec. Trail near the High School on Oct. 29th at 9 a.m.

REPORT FROM TRUSTEES

Trustee Molinski

Trustee Molinski reported the following events:

Pumpkin Decorating: Oct. 29th at 6:00 p.m. @ the Library

The 1st Walk to Connect at Point au Roche went well. Watch for upcoming walks.

The Fall Carnival at the Library went well and brought in about \$200.

Trustee Conner

Trustee Conner thanked Mayor McFetridge, Mary and Juanita for their work on the 150th celebration. Also a thank you to the K of C for their donation to the Playground fund.

Trustee Herzog

Trustee Herzog reported that regarding the Corn Hole Tournament, those who played cornhole seemed to have a good time. There weren't enough people for a tournament, and he would change the way it is organized next time.

REPORT FROM CLERK/TREASURER MUNOZ

The Board was provided the Expense & Revenue report for October 2023.

PRESENTATION OF WARRANT AND PAYMENT

The warrant of \$19,149.15 was presented with additional invoices of \$6,209.52 for a total of \$25,358.67.

Motion by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Molinski to approve the warrant with additional invoices for a total of \$25,358.67. Roll Call vote:

Trustee Molinski	Aye
Trustee Conner	Aye
Trustee Herzog	Aye
Mayor McFetridge	Aye

Motion carried.

Wastewater Plant Disinfection and Upgrades Project

Barton & Loguidice	\$15,951.50
Perras Construction	485,777.75

Motion to approve these payments by Trustee Herzog, seconded by Trustee Conner.

Trustee Conner asked where we stand moneywise.

Clerk/Treasurer Munoz said that we have paid Perras \$1.8m out of \$2.3 M so they are almost done.

We have applied for the WIHA grand funds which we should have in about a month.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Molinski	Aye
Trustee Conner	Aye
Trustee Herzog	Aye
Mayor McFetridge	Aye

Motion carried.

REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDANT

Supt Jolicoeur provided the board with a report for October 2023.

Purchase Requisition

The Main St. lift station has 3 pumps and is currently down to 2 pumps with no spares. The sewer plant RAS well has 2 pumps and they both keep tripping out for over temperature. 2 used pumps are at the shop to be

repaired, but not sure that they are repairable. I have a quote from one supplier for 3 new pumps and am looking for approval for up to \$40,000 for the purchase of 3 new pumps. I am waiting for another quote for new pumps that should be here tomorrow. Motion to approve up to \$40,000 for 3 new pumps by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Conner. Roll call vote:

Trustee Molinski	Aye
Trustee Conner	Aye
Trustee Herzog	Aye
Mayor McFetridge	Aye

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Snow Removal contract with Champlain Fire District
2. Corresp from Clinton County Legislature regarding Tobacco Reserve Funds
3. Corresp from Clinton County Treasurers Office with 3rd quarter Sales Tax Revenue

NEW BUSINESS

1. Local Law: Flood Damage Protection

Motion to approve Local Law: Flood Damage Prevention by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Molinski. Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Molinski	Aye
Trustee Conner	Aye
Trustee Herzog	Aye
Mayor McFetridge	Aye

Motion carried.

2. Sale of 2000 International Dump Truck and plow

Motion by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Molinski Resolving that the 2000 International Dump truck and plow are no longer needed for municipal purposes and can be sold as surplus personal property for fair and adequate consideration. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

3. Award of Bid for Water Main Replacement project

Village of Champlain
Resolution Authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Champlain
To Sign the Notice of Award for the Water Line Replacement project

WHEREAS, The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Champlain on October 10, 2023 duly adopted a Resolution entitled "A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Champlain to sign the Notice of Award for the Water Line Replacement project to T.J. Fiacco, awarding the Base Bid plus Delete No. 2, for a total amount of \$1,897,530.00."

Motion to approve by Trustee Conner, seconded by Trustee Molinski. Roll Call vote:

Trustee Molinski
Trustee Conner
Trustee Herzog
Mayor McFetridge

Motion carried.

4. Fire Pits

Recreational fires will no longer be allowed in the Village after Oct. 15th.

Motion by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Herzog to put the Burn Ban back into effect after Oct. 15th. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

5. Champlain Fire District Snow Removal Contract

Motion by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Conner to renew the Snow Removal contract with the Champlain fire district with no changes. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

6. Amendment #4: Owner-Engineer Agreement #4 WWTP Disinfection & Improvements

This amendment includes additional services to be performed by Engineer and Modifications of payment to Engineer. It adjusts the constructions phase, post-construction phase, funding assistance & resident project representative to the actual costs incurred and projected costs.

Motion by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Herzog to approve this Amendment increasing costs by \$38,000.00. Roll Call vote:

Trustee Molinski	Aye
Trustee Conner	Aye
Trustee Herzog	Aye
Mayor McFetridge	Aye

Motion carried.

Amendment #4: Water Main Replacement

This amendment includes modifications of payment to engineer in the amount of \$1,369. It adjusts the subcontracted services item to the actual cost incurred for soil borings as required by NYS DOT.

Motion by Trustee Herzog, seconded by Trustee to approve this Amendment increasing costs by \$1,369.

Roll Call vote:

Trustee Molinski	Aye
Trustee Conner	Aye
Trustee Herzog	Aye
Mayor McFetridge	Aye

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Dog Law

This matter was tabled until we receive a response from our attorney.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, at 7:03 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Herzog seconded by Trustee Conner to adjourn. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

At 7:05 p.m. the meeting was re-opened.

Amendment #4 for the WWTF should be in the amount of \$84,000, not \$38,000.

Motion by Trustee Molinski, seconded by Trustee Herzog to approve Amendment #4 WWTF in the amount of \$84,000.00. Roll call vote:

Trustee Molinski	Aye
Trustee Conner	Aye
Trustee Herzog	Aye
Mayor McFetridge	Aye

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, at 7:07 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Conner seconded by Trustee Molinski to adjourn. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary E. Spring, Secretary

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: SEPTEMBER 2023

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: SEPTEMBER 2023

Water:

- Repaired a failed PRV
- Repaired water main break at Rt. 9/Willow St. intersection
- Completed monthly meter readings
- Raised 2 water shutoffs in the Town that were buried.

Sewer:

- Completed sludge drying beds
- Installed new press
- Will need to install a new lift station control panel on Main St/Paquette Blvd.
- Will need to order 2 lift station pumps. Waiting on quotes.

Equipment:

- Will need to have blower repaired for sidewalk machine
- Will need to send the 2010 Peterbilt to the shop for electrical issues
- Will need to install backhoe parts and new tires.
- Will need to send the Kubota in for repairs.
- Will need to fix the gearbox on the lawnmower: it is out of service.

Streets:

- Completed some patch work before asphalt plant closes
- Working on drain repair on Elm Str.
- Installed culverts and drains on Oak St. a& reshaped some ditches.
- Sand was delivered.

WORK TO BE DONE

- Continue with hydrant repairs.
- Install solar panel on Church St. radar sign and repair Prospect St. radar sign.
- Continue with culvert installation and replacement on Oak St. and Prospect St.
- Continue with sign replacement.
- Lift Station control replacements.
- Bus shelter installation
- Bike path ditching

Brush pickup will begin next week and the last pickup will be on Oct. 31st.

Put loose brush curbside, no bagged debris or leaves will be picked up by the Village.

1 pickup load per property maximum. Make sure brush is cut to size so it can be loaded by hand.

Do not dump anything on Elm St. across from the Library. This dump site was closed a few years ago and is used by Village DPW only for materials.