

Village of Champlain Special Board Meeting May 29, 2018

A Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Champlain was held on Tuesday, May 29th, 2018 at the Village Office, 11104 Route 9, Champlain, New York. Present were Mayor Martin, Trustees Kim Trombley, McFetridge, Thomas Trombley and Gehrig, Clerk/Treasurer Munoz, Secretary Sousa and Supt. Jolicoeur.

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

REPORT FROM THE MAYOR

Emergency Generator

Mayor Martin said that we are still awaiting quotes for an emergency generator. We have some quotes for diesel vs. natural gas generators and the difference in cost between them is significant. Trustee Thomas Trombley mentioned that natural gas might be better in a natural disaster situation, where there is no means of getting diesel. Supt. Jolicoeur said that our generator would never be running full load 100% and we would probably get 48-60 hours out of one tank of diesel.

Mayor Martin said that he does not want to make a decision tonight but would like to put some money aside in a reserve account for equipment replacement/repair.

He said that they have tested the facility and have another option: If we run just well distribution, without softening, our generator will carry the load. Woody Kissel is concerned with shutting down and starting up the system.

110 Church Street

Mayor Martin called three contractors regarding boarding up of this property, and hasn't yet heard back from them. There are 21 large windows, 4 small windows and 2 doors. Mr. Tetreault has called the owner 4 times, and we'll have him call again this week. As soon as we have quotes in, we can make a decision at next month's board meeting.

Oil Tank Spill/Cleanup

Mayor Martin met with DEC and the state contractor approved to do these types of jobs. They will have to drill holes out front to see how far down the contamination goes. But first they will address the cellar issues. They will do some ventilation and work on the floor.

Trustee Thomas Trombley asked if they remove contamination out front, will that alleviate the cellar problem.

Mayor Martin said that it's down in the clay layer. They may drill a hole and put in chemicals to get rid of petroleum. They should be back in a few weeks.

Public Hearing: Charter Communications Franchise Agreement

At 6:15 a motion was made by Trustee Gehrig and seconded by Trustee McFetridge to close the regular meeting. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Thomas Trombley and seconded by Trustee Gehrig to go into Public Hearing. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

There was no one here from the public with questions or comments regarding the Charter Communications Franchise Agreement.

At 6:16, a motion was made by Trustee Kim Trombley and seconded by Trustee McFetridge to close the Public Hearing. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kim Trombley and seconded by Trustee Thomas Trombley to return to the regular board meeting. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Thomas Trombley and seconded by Trustee Gehrig to approve the Charter Franchise Agreement as written. Roll Call vote as follows:

Trustee Kim Trombley	Aye	
Trustee McFetridge	Aye	
Trustee Thomas Trombley	Aye	
Trustee Gehrig		Aye
Mayor Martin	Aye	

Motion carried.

REPORT FROM THE TRUSTEES

Trustee Kim Trombley said that she has not received any further information from the Clinton County Department of Health as Community Liaison.

Trustee McFetridge said that she recently saw that Rouses Point had two sunscreen stations at their playground. Clerk Munoz called the Clinton County Department of Health and was told that they received a grant through Excellus Blue Shield and got 15 stations. Rouses Point received 2 of those. Clerk Munoz asked how we could get one of the stations and was told that there are no resources available for more right now, but the Healthy Neighborhood will be sending information out to mayors and supervisors. The sunscreen, pole and dispenser can be purchased through their website for \$370.00. Healthy Neighborhoods will inform mayors/supervisors if there are any resources available to help pay for them.

Trustee McFetridge reported Penny Clute will have a presentation on her trip to Viet Nam on May 30 at 6:30 at the CMH.

Community Garden plots are going quickly.

We should be getting the long boats in about 2 weeks.

St. Mary's Bazaar went very well and was well attended, despite the rain.

Trustee Thomas Trombley agreed that it was unfortunate that it rained for the bazaar, but there was a great crowd there. He also reminded residents of the Blood Drive at the Catholic Men's Club on June 4th from 3-7 pm.

Trustee Amy Gehrig reported that we did not receive the grant for the kayak launch. She will keep looking as she feels this would be a well-used item. We can re-apply in September, but she thinks that they are looking for another source of funding to help share the expense. Discussion followed.

Trustee McFetridge reported that she was contacted by a resident with questions on how we might encourage people to pick up their trash after the parade. She suggested we have volunteers at end of the parade with garbage bags for people to put their garbage. Trustee Gehrig suggested that we contact the parade committee asking that they keep in mind what is being handed out as freebies. Trustee Thomas Trombley suggested putting extra barrels out at that time. Discussion followed.

Trustee Thomas reported that several residents asked him how we might get people to clean up the garbage on their properties. He asked that we have Codes Officer Tetreault push a little harder on those people.

REPORT FROM THE CLERK/TREASURER

Clerk/Treasurer Munoz said that we will need to make the following transfer:

To:	A9030.8	Social Security	\$12.00
To:	A9035.8	Medicare	1.00
From:	A9060.8	Health Insurance	\$13.00

No account can have a negative balance. General Journal entries necessary to fund account in need.

A motion was made by Trustee Kim Trombley and seconded by Trustee McFetridge to approve this transfer. Roll Call vote as follows:

Trustee Kim Trombley	Aye
Trustee McFetridge	Aye
Trustee Thomas Trombley	Aye
Trustee Gehrig	Aye
Mayor Martin	Aye

Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Munoz said that Supt. Jolicoeur has quotes for 2 pumps for the water plant. She said that if we want to approve this now, we can add it to this warrant on this year's budget. The total is \$1,493.54 not including freight, as we do not know what that will be.

Trustee Gehrig asked the status of the pumps right now. Supt. Jolicoeur said that we have 4 chemical pumps in use at the water plant right now: 3 of one size and 1 of another size. He would like to have one extra pump for each size so that if any one goes down we have a replacement.

A motion was made by Trustee Gehrig and seconded by Trustee Thomas Trombley to approve the purchase of 2 backup pumps for the amount of \$1,493.54. Roll Call vote as follows:

Trustee Kim Trombley	Aye
Trustee McFetridge	Aye
Trustee Thomas Trombley	Aye
Trustee Gehrig	Aye
Mayor Martin	Aye

Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF WARRANT AND PAYMENT

Clerk/Treasurer Munoz said there are addition invoices of \$1,717.34 to add to the warrant for a total of \$12,706.95.

A motion was made by Trustee Thomas Trombley and seconded by Trustee Kim Trombley to approve the warrant with additional invoices for a total of \$ 12,706.95. Roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Kim Trombley	Aye
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Trustee McFetridge	Aye
Trustee Thomas Trombley	Aye
Trustee Gehrig	Aye
Mayor Martin	Aye

Motion carried.

Equipment Reserve

Mayor Martin would like to add \$40,000 to the equipment reserve account for the generator. A motion was made by Trustee Thomas Trombley and seconded by Trustee Kim Trombley to approve the transfer of \$40,000 into the Equipment Reserve account. Roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Kim Trombley	Aye
Trustee McFetridge	Aye
Trustee Thomas Trombley	Aye
Trustee Gehrig	Aye
Mayor Martin	Aye

Tires for 2013 Chevy 1-Ton truck

Trustee Gehrig contacted G&G tires regarding the purchase of 6 tires for the 1-ton pickup. She had some information that was compared to quotes from Warren Tire at \$1,186.50 and Tire Rack at \$1,403.94. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Trustee Thomas Trombley and seconded by Trustee Gehrig to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$1,186.50 for the purchase of tires for the 1 ton dump truck.

Roll call vote as follows:

Trustee Kim Trombley	Aye
Trustee McFetridge	Aye
Trustee Thomas Trombley	Aye
Trustee Gehrig	Aye
Mayor Martin	Aye

Motion carried

Fire Pit/Campfires in the Village

The temporary lift of burning ban in the Village was reviewed by the board:

There will be a temporary lifting of the burning ban in the Village of Champlain from May 30th, 2018 to October 31st, 2018. This temporary lifting is subject to revocation at the discretion of the Village Board.

The following rules are in effect during this period:

- 1. The temporary lifting of the burning ban starts on May 30th, 2018 and ends October 31st, 2018.*
- 2. Small fires less than three feet in height and four feet in diameter used for cooking and campfires, provided that only charcoal or untreated wood is used as fuel and the fire is attended by an individual of suitable age until the fire is extinguished.*
- 3. The burning is contained by nonflammable material commonly used as a fire-containing apparatus, or structure. Examples of commonly accepted structures include a fire pit no less than 10 inches deep, a stone fire circle no less than 10 inches in height, prefabricated fire-burning products, such as a chiminea or other products commonly marketed as outdoor/patio fire-containment units containing a basin and fire-screen.*

4. *The burning is located at least 25 feet from any structure such as a home, garage, mobile home, etc; and the burning is located 25 feet from any adjacent or neighboring property line.*
5. *The burning of construction debris, plastics, tires, tar-based materials, oil or petroleum based products, hazardous materials, chemicals, and similar materials or waste is prohibited.*
6. *Burning of household trash, garbage, refuse, household waste, commercial waste, construction waste, combustible liquid, debris waste, hazardous waste, junk, rubber, plastics, stumps, tires, tar based materials, products of salvage operations, chemicals, and similar materials is prohibited.*
7. *This temporary lift can be terminated at the discretion of the Village Board at any time.*

Comments and/or concerns may be directed to the Village Office by phone (298-4152) or by writing: Village of Champlain, 11104 Route 9, Champlain, NY 12919

A motion was made by Trustee Kim Trombley and seconded by Trustee McFetridge to approve temporary lift of Burning Ban in the Village under the above rules.

Mayor Martin added that if the fire is out of control or not meeting these standards, the fire department and/or the sheriff will be called and rights will be revoked.

Trustee Thomas also reminded people be conscious of their neighbors.

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before this board, at 6:48 pm a motion was made by Trustee Gehrig and seconded by Trustee Kim Trombley to adjourn. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.