

**Town of Charlton
Saratoga County
Town Board Meeting**

January 13, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Charlton, Saratoga County, New York was held at the Charlton Town Hall, 758 Charlton Rd, Charlton, NY and called to order by Supervisor Grattidge at 7:30 p.m.

Supervisor Grattidge led the pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Councilman Grasso, Councilman Hodgkins, Councilman Lippiello, Supervisor Grattidge, Town Clerk Brenda Mills, Attorney Van Vranken.

Excused: Councilman Verola

RESOLUTION #50

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilman Lippiello

Seconded by Councilman Grasso

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the Agenda Meeting minutes from December 30, 2013.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. **CARRIED**

RESOLUTION #51

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilman Grasso

Seconded by Councilman Hodgkins

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the Organizational Meeting minutes from January 6, 2014.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. **CARRIED**

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR AGENDA ITEMS

No one chose to speak.

RESOLUTION #52

Abstract of Claims

Motion by Councilman Lippiello

Seconded by Councilman Grasso

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in Abstract No. 101, voucher numbers 1 – 24 in the amount of \$7,882.43.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. **CARRIED**

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk reported that her office took in \$550.50 for the month of December. \$441.60 was paid to the Supervisor, and \$108.90 was paid to other Governmental agencies.

Town Clerk's Annual Report: The Town Clerk's Office received \$11,290.21 in 2013, of which \$6,155.10 was paid to the Supervisor as revenue and \$4,136.61 was paid to DEC, \$706.00 was paid to NYS Animal Control Population Fund, and \$292.50 was paid to NYS Dept of Health for marriage licenses. The Town Clerk's office also issued 79 Handicap parking tags, and issued 13 Death Certificates and 13 Burial Permits.

RESOLUTION #53

Acceptance of the Town Clerk's Reports

Motion by Councilman Hodgkins

Seconded by Councilman Lippiello

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has accepted the Town Clerk's reports as read.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. **CARRIED**

The Town Clerk said that she received a Reservation Application from the Charlton 4 Leaf Clovers 4-H Club to use the Community Center on 2/8/14 and 3/8/14 to hold their meetings. The Clerk confirmed that she received a Certificate of Insurance from Cornell Cooperative Extension. The Board had no objection to the usage.

RESOLUTION #54

Approval of Community Center usage by the Charlton 4 Leaf Clovers 4-H Club

Motion by Councilman Lippiello

Seconded by Councilman Grasso

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the Charlton 4 Leaf Clovers 4-H Club to use the Community Center on 2/8/14 and 3/8/14 and has waived the fee because of Non-profit status.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. **CARRIED**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town offices will be closed January 20th in observance of Martin Luther King Day. The Planning Board will still meet in the evening.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

For the month of December, I attended 4 Town meetings and 10 County meetings.

Some of the highlights of the month:

- Attended normal Town and County meetings
- Attended a number of Saratoga County functions as Chairman of the Board
- Helped with the Trees for Troops Program at EIlm's Family Tree Farm
- Attended the Regional Economic Council Award Ceremony in Albany
- Attended a public forum on full casino gaming in Saratoga Springs
- Presented Sheriff Jim Bowen with a County Proclamation of thanks for 48 years of service.
- Attended the annual Holiday event with CHS

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MONTHLY REPORT OF SUPERVISOR

TO THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CHARLTON:

Pursuant to Section 125 of the Town Law, I hereby render the following detailed statement of all moneys received and disbursed by me during the month of December, 2013:

DATED: January 9, 2014

SUPERVISOR

| | Balance 11/30/2013 | Increases | Decreases | Balance 12/31/2013 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| A GENERAL FUND - TOWNWIDE | | | | |
| CASH - CHECKING | 14,350.17 | 130,002.42 | 132,145.91 | 12,206.68 |
| CASH - SAVING | 596,107.14 | 113,798.21 | 111,899.01 | 598,006.34 |
| PETTY CASH | 500.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 |
| Park Fees Reserve | 76,546.22 | 10.10 | 0.00 | 76,556.32 |
| TOTAL | 687,503.53 | 243,810.73 | 244,044.92 | 687,269.34 |
| DA HIGHWAY FUND | | | | |
| CASH - CHECKING | 0.00 | 58,190.00 | 58,190.00 | 0.00 |
| CASH - SAVINGS | 15,500.51 | 90,010.77 | 49,554.07 | 55,957.21 |
| CASH, SPECIAL RESERVE | 15,455.86 | 1.95 | 0.00 | 15,457.81 |
| TOTAL | 30,956.37 | 148,202.72 | 107,744.07 | 71,415.02 |
| F WATER #1 FUND | | | | |
| CASH - CHECKING | 0.00 | 6,627.10 | 6,627.10 | 0.00 |
| CASH - SAVINGS | 127,547.30 | 1,297.40 | 4,442.36 | 124,402.34 |
| WATER SERIAL BOND | 34,247.73 | 2.91 | 0.00 | 34,250.64 |
| CASH, SPECIAL RESERVES | 121,082.01 | 10.28 | 0.00 | 121,092.29 |
| TOTAL | 282,877.04 | 7,937.69 | 11,069.46 | 279,745.27 |
| SW WATER #2 FUND | | | | |
| CASH - CHECKING | 0.00 | 343.89 | 343.89 | 0.00 |
| CASH - SAVINGS | 24,363.40 | 3.37 | 295.04 | 24,071.73 |
| TOTAL | 24,363.40 | 347.26 | 638.93 | 24,071.73 |
| TA TRUST & AGENCY | | | | |
| CASH - CHECKING | 737.23 | 60,599.55 | 57,195.80 | 4,140.98 |
| DEER RUN SUBDIVISION | 151,260.15 | 19.06 | 0.00 | 151,279.21 |
| TOTAL | 151,997.38 | 60,618.61 | 57,195.80 | 155,420.19 |
| H CAPITAL PROJECTS | | | | |
| | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL ALL FUNDS | 1,177,697.72 | 460,917.01 | 420,693.18 | 1,217,921.55 |

DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Constables – for the month of December, there were 26 patrols, 21 complaints, 8 911 calls, 1,621 miles traveled, 17 tickets issued, and 1 EMT/accident responded to.

Councilman Lippiello said that in 2013, the Constables did 309 patrols, responded to 236 complaints, traveled 21,247 miles and issued 364 tickets.

Zoning – Supervisor Grattidge said that the Zoning Office took in \$110 in special fees.

Water - Councilman Lippiello reported that John Morgan is doing painting at the pump house. Mr. Morgan is also waiting for information from the Engineer regarding a device that measures water when flushing the system.

Library – Barb Wilson stated that for the month of January, they have an Art Exhibit by the Schenectady Art Association in their community room and Judy Kaplan's penguins are on parade in their display case. The library is hosting a mini golf event on February 21st & 22nd with over 2 dozen business sponsors. In 2013, there were over 300 attendees.

Historian – Marv Livingston said that he has received pictures and stories for the town from Irene Jankowski regarding her property on Swaggertown Road. The property just so happened to be Mr. Livingston's family's homestead.

Parks – The Committee would like to come to the Agenda Meeting on January 27th to meet with the Town Board and discuss what the Board's expectations of the Committee are.

COUNCILMAN REPORTS

Councilman Lippiello welcomed the new Board members, Councilmen Grasso and Hodgkins.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Dave Schweizer, resident said that he attended a previous Board meeting and gave his opinion on gambling in Saratoga County, and is now shocked to see the Supervisor take the position as Chair of a group that is trying to entice gambling for Saratoga County. He said he looked at the vote, and it was 2 to 1 against gambling for the Town of Charlton. He asked the Supervisor if he felt he was representing the call. Supervisor Grattidge said for the record, he was named Chairman of the Racing and Gaming Committee at the County. He said he wasn't named Chairman of a committee that is supporting gambling. He does support the referendum, now that it is passed, that if it is going to be located in the 8 county region, that Saratoga makes the case to be a place where it is hosted. Mr. Schweizer said that he thinks that the people of Charlton are very concerned about the unintended consequences of such a happening. We are noted for a pretty historical community and the pressures that this will bring to us are probably going to change that very dramatically. He thinks that that needs to be looked at.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk