

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

August 11, 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 Hodgkins, Councilman Verola, Supervisor Grattidge, Town Clerk Brenda Mills, Attorney Van Vranken.

Excused: Councilmen Grasso and Lippiello

Approval of Minutes

The Town Board tabled the approval of the Agenda Meeting minutes from July 28, 2014, as Councilman Verola was not present at that meeting, and there was not a quorum present for approval.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR AGENDA ITEMS

No one chose to speak.

RESOLUTION #139

Abstract of Claims

Motion by Councilman Verola

Seconded by Councilman Hodgkins

RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in Abstract No. 115, voucher numbers 468 - 497 in the amount of \$141,216.15.

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

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk reported that her office took in \$508.45 for the month of July. Revenue of \$355.63 was paid to the Supervisor and \$152.82 was paid to other Governmental agencies.

RESOLUTION #140

Acceptance of the Town Clerk's Reports

Motion by Councilman Verola

Seconded by Councilman Hodgkins

RESOLVED that the Town Board accepted the Town Clerk's report as read.

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

SUPERVISORS REPORT

For the month of July, I attended 2 Town meetings and 5 County meetings.

Some of the highlights of the month:

- Attended normal Town and County meetings
- Attended the Saratoga County Fair

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Sales Tax for the month of July was \$141,022.00 which is 4% higher than last July, and year to date is 2.94% higher than this time last year.

Supervisor Grattidge confirmed that the Board has received the Key Bank Custodial Statements.

COMMUNICATION

Supervisor Grattidge has received official notice that the Final Equalization rate for Charlton for 2014 is 71%.

Supervisor Grattidge said that the Assessor's Office has sent a memo to the Board saying that they are experiencing problems with their computers. They will need new pc's with an updated operating system in order to communicate with the Office of Real Property next year. The Board will need to work on this.

Supervisor Grattidge said that a resident inquired about the Zoning Ordinance updates. The Board has had a workshop and Councilman Grasso is working on the updates. The Supervisor said that he hopes to have something to post on the website within the next month. He is hoping to have an informational meeting soon, and get feedback from all of the committees, the public and if the Board is comfortable, a public hearing will be held. He hopes that something will be in place by next year.

Supervisor Grattidge said that he has sent a request to the State Department of Transportation, requesting that the State look at placing a blinking light at the intersection of Route 67 and Jockey Street.

DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Zoning – Councilman Hodgkins said that in July, there were 15 building permits issued and 3 CO/CUs were issued.

Historian – Marv Livingston said that he has been working on a database of Charlton, and recently Chuck Latham gave him a database that was done by Joyce Riedinger. He found the information helpful. He said that he and Boy Scout Nick Bruno have begun the restoration of headstones in Jeremiah Smith cemetery, and the restoration is going well. There are many headstones that needed to be up-righted, and there are many broken stones that needed to be patched. They received suggestions for restoration from the Jonesville Cemetery. They are using an epoxy that seems to be working well. Nick's mother and sister have been working on cleaning some old headstones that were so dirty that they could not be read. The headstones cleaned up well, and are now legible. Mr. Livingston said that Aubrey Dunn and her mother Liz had previously finished photographing the head stones, but since they are more legible now, he wants to ask them to re-photo them. He said that the next cemetery that he and Nick will work on is Pine Grove, where they plan to make a mock cemetery of the headstones that were moved from the Presbyterian Church.

Planning Board – Councilman Verola reported that the Board met on July 21st and deliberated on 1 lot line change application and 1 subdivision application.

Animal Control – Councilman Verola reported that in July there were 6 dog related complaints and 1 dog bite case handled.

Constables- Supervisor Grattidge read the July report. There were 26 patrols, 21 complaints, 3 911 calls, 19 tickets issued, 2 EID calls and 1,562 miles traveled.

Seniors – Marv Schorr reported that the Senior’s annual picnic scheduled for Elmer Smith Park on August 13, will be moved to the Community Center because of the weather forecast.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

RESOLUTION #141

A resolution to appoint Victoria Hayner as a member of the Town of Charlton Board of Assessors

Motion by Councilman Verola

Seconded by Councilman Hodgkins

Roll Call: Councilman Grasso: Absent, Councilman Hodgkins: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Absent, Councilman Verola: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye. CARRIED.

TOWN OF CHARLTON
COUNTY OF SARATOGA
STATE OF NEW YORK

RESOLUTION NO. 141

August 11, 2014

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT VICTORIA HAYNER
AS A MEMBER OF THE TOWN OF CHARLTON BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

WHEREAS, the Town of Charlton has a duly elected Board of Assessors, comprised of three Assessors elected for staggered terms, and

WHEREAS, one of the elected Assessors was Jody Ankabrandt, appointed to the Board of Assessors by Town Board resolution dated July 11, 2011, was elected to a 4 year term which began January 1, 2012, and who resigned from her Assessor position in January, 2014, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Charlton desires to restore the number of assessors to three and to appoint a third assessor in order to assist with the proper functioning and responsibilities of the assessors to the residents of the Town of Charlton.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby appoints Victoria Hayner as an Assessor for the Town of Charlton, which appointment will take effect September 1, 2014 and terminate December 31, 2014, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Victoria Hayner will be required to run for election to fulfill the remaining one year term of former Assessor Ankabrandt, which remaining term will begin January 1, 2015 and terminate December 31, 2015, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the salary for Assessor Victoria Hayner shall be at the rate of \$5,400.00 per year, pro-rated from September 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014.

Moved by	Councilman Verola	Voting:	Councilman Grasso	Absent
			Councilman Hodgkins	Aye
Seconded by	Councilman Hodgkins		Councilman Lippiello	Absent
			Councilman Verola	Aye
			Supervisor Grattidge	Aye

I certify that this is a true and exact copy of this original as passed by the Town Board of the Town of Charlton on

Dated: August 11, 2014

Brenda Mills, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #142

A resolution prohibiting any overnight parking in the Town Hall Parking Lot without Town Board approval

Motion by Councilman Verola

Seconded by Councilman Hodgkins

Roll Call: Councilman Grasso: Absent, Councilman Hodgkins: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Absent, Councilman Verola: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye. CARRIED.

TOWN OF CHARLTON
COUNTY OF SARATOGA
STATE OF NEW YORK

RESOLUTION NO. 142

August 11, 2014

A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING ANY OVERNIGHT PARKING
IN THE TOWN HALL PARKING LOT WITHOUT TOWN BOARD APPROVAL

WHEREAS, from time to time, the Town Supervisor or members of the Town Board have received requests from Town residents to park vehicles overnight in the Town Hall parking lot located northerly and behind the Town Hall building, and

WHEREAS, there have been occasions where such vehicles have included large transport trucks or other types of oversized vehicles having substantial weight or containing materials that are were en route for delivery outside the Town of Charlton, and

WHEREAS, residents of the Town have expressed concern to Town Board members of this activity, including issues of safety, Town liability and damage to Town property, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has considered this matter and determined that it is in the best interest of the residents of the Town of Charlton to prohibit any and all overnight parking of vehicles not specifically associated with the local governmental activities for the Town of Charlton (Constable vehicles, etc.).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby determines that there shall be no overnight parking in the Town Hall parking lot as referenced in this resolution without the express authorized and written permission of the Town Board of the Town of Charlton, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that violators of this resolution may be subject to fines or other penalties as may be solely determined by the Town Board in its sole and absolute discretion.

Moved by	Councilman Verola	Voting:	Councilman Grasso	Absent
			Councilman Hodgkins	Aye
Seconded by	Councilman Hodgkins		Councilman Lippiello	Absent
			Councilman Verola	Aye
			Supervisor Grattidge	Aye

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COUNCILMAN REPORTS

No reports were given.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one chose to speak.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk