

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

**June 1, 2010**

The Agenda meeting of the Town Board of Charlton, Saratoga County, New York was held at the Charlton Town Hall and called to order by Supervisor Grattidge at 7:30pm.

Present: Councilman Gardner, Councilman Lippiello, Councilman Salisbury, Supervisor Grattidge, Town Clerk Brenda Mills and Attorney VanVranken.

Absent: Councilman Verola

Supervisor Grattidge announced that this meeting is to set the Agenda for the regular meeting of the Town Board on Monday, June 14, 2010.

**APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT**

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Salisbury to accept General Fund claim number 1318 - 1362 as set forth in Abstract #110 in the amount of \$ 62,232.59, and General Fund claim number 903 as set forth in Abstract #99105 in the amount of \$26.61.

VOTE: All Ayes, No Nays. CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Gardner to accept the minutes of the Bid Opening held on May 10, 2010.

VOTE: All Ayes, No Nays. CARRIED

A motion was made by Councilman Salisbury and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to accept the minutes of the Town Board Meeting held on May 10, 2010.

VOTE: All Ayes, No Nays. CARRIED

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Founder's Day weekend is June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Party in the Park and fireworks are 6/5/10. The Founder's Day parade is June 6<sup>th</sup>.

Congressman Scott Murphy's office will hold a Congressional Field Day on June 8<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to noon at the Charlton Town Hall.

Sundae on the Farm will be held at the Arnoldhaven Farm in Charlton on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

**DISCUSSION**

The 2010 Equalization Rate is 70%, up from 67% in the previous year.

The Town Clerk gave an update on the grant money that has been spent. The grant is for \$31,633, and there is \$271.63 remaining to be spent on the equipment allocation. The Board mentioned that they would like to purchase a projector to be used for Power Point presentations. The Town Clerk will check with the State to see if they will allow this purchase with grant funds.

The monthly Sales Tax receipt is \$88, 495 which is 12% higher than the same month last year. The monthly Mortgage Tax amount is \$7,651.

A letter was received from EDP, the Town's Engineer, regarding a 2009 annual report for the MS4 Permit. There are changes to the reporting methods, but nothing that the Town needs to do. The Annual Report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

The Town Board received a letter from the Communications Committee requesting that the Town hold a two hour presentation by Bob Freeman regarding FOIL information. The Board discussed the request and decided to see what information Attorney VanVranken can provide.

The Board discussed a request from the Supervisor's secretary for volunteer help. The Board agreed that volunteer help could be used as long as the volunteer does not have access to confidential information or materials.

Beginning in 2010, elected officials are now required to report their number of hours worked for the first three months of each new term. A resolution regarding this will be presented at the next Board meeting.

The Board discussed the Park application by the Cub Scouts to have a bouncy-bounce from Bounces by Sunshine and a hot air balloon demonstration by Windrifter Balloons. The Board approved the request subject to each vendor and the Cub Scouts providing certificates of liability with a minimum one million dollars in coverage and listing the Town as an additional insured.

A letter was received from the Charlton Volunteer Fire Department stating that they will be holding a public informational meeting on Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. They will hold a bond referendum vote on Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 9 pm.

Highway Superintendent Emerich informed the Board that he would like to hire Nicholas McCracken as part-time summer help to begin June 2 for three months at \$12 per hour.

The Town Board discussed setting up a workshop to review audits and decided to wait until all audits are completed.

### **MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS**

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Gardner that Resolution No. 88 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS NECESSARY TO PAY FOR THE COST OF ADDITIONAL HARDWARE FOR A NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR THE NEW TOWN HALL be approved.

Roll call vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Councilman Verola: Absent, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye *Approved*

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Gardner that Resolution No. 89 – A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TOWN OF CHARLTON BUDGET FOR 2010 WITH RESPECT TO THE HIGHWAY-MACHINERY BUDGET CAUSED BY THE 2005 JOHN DEERE FOUR WHEEL DRIVE LOADER PURCHASE be approved.

Roll call vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Councilman Verola: Absent, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye *Approved*

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Gardner that Resolution No. 90 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY HIGHWAY EMPLOYEE TO THE TOWN OF CHARLTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT be approved.

Roll call vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Councilman Verola: Absent, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye *Approved*

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Councilman Gardner asked what the status was of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Assessor position. Supervisor Grattidge said that the Republican Committee has backed Kim Caron. Councilman Gardner said that he would like to set up a time for the Board to interview her. The Supervisor said he would try to set something up next week.

Councilman Lippiello said that the water fountain in the Park needs to be replaced. George Eggleston gave the board a quote of \$3,266 for a new fountain. The Board told him to keep looking.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills  
Town Clerk