

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

October 12, 2010

The Regular 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 7:34pm.

Present: Councilman Gardner, Councilman Lippiello, Councilman Salisbury, Supervisor Grattidge, Town Clerk Brenda Mills, Attorney Van Vranken.

Absent: Councilman Verola

Supervisor Grattidge lead the pledge of Allegiance.

Attorney Van Vranken shared his thoughts about Karen Grattidge, the mother of Supervisor Grattidge, who recently passed away. He said that he met her about 35 years ago, and she was a remarkable woman. He offered condolences to the Grattidge family.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Gardner and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to accept the minutes of the Town Board Agenda Meeting held on September 27, 2010.

VOTE: All Ayes, No Nays. *CARRIED*

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Salisbury to accept General Fund claim numbers 1631-1661 as set forth in Abstract #119 in the amount of \$133,938.42, and Abstract #99109 which had additions of vouchers #914 & #915 for a new total of \$10,787.90.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays *CARRIED*

Supervisor Grattidge said for the record, the Bookkeeper is still receiving complaints regarding past due invoices for the Highway Department. The Supervisor said that he will speak with Mr. Emerich.

TOWN CLERKS REPORT

The Town Clerk reported taking in \$1,658.25 for the month of September. \$180.89 was paid to the Supervisor and \$1,477.36 was paid to other Governmental Agencies.

A motion was made by Councilman Gardner and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to accept the Town Clerk's report.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays *CARRIED*

The Town Clerk said that her office has received several calls this year from residents wishing to rent the Community Center. The current policy only allows for usage by Non-profit organizations. The Clerk asked the Board if they would re-visit the policy.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

For the month of September I attended 5 Town meetings and 6 County meetings. Some of the highlights of the month:

- Attended the Fall Meeting of NYS Association of Counties held in Buffalo
- Participated in Explore Charlton Weekend Sept. 18th & 19th.
- Attended the Saratoga County Veterans Concert held at SPAC
- Worked on the 2011 Town Budget
- Interviewed a Health Insurance Broker

	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
<u>General</u>	99,160.69	60,392.13
<u>Highway</u>	2,035.26	147,798.70
<u>Water Dist. 1</u>	0.00	4,927.40
<u>Water Dist. 2</u>	0.00	461.40
<u>Town Hall Project:</u>		
H-Fund	0.00	3,397.14

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town offices will be closed 11/2/10 for Election Day and 11/11/10 for Veterans Day.

The three Fire Districts will hold their Public Hearings regarding 2011 budgets at all fire houses on October 19th.

The road work on Route 67 is expected to continue until at least October 18th.

COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Grattidge said that he has been invited by the Burnt Hills School District to a talk on October 28th at 6:30 p.m. where a representative from the Saratoga Economic Development Corporation will be the speaker.

Supervisor Grattidge said that he received a complaint from Mr. Neilsen of Stage Road about the speed of traffic on Stage Road where it nears the intersection.

The Saratoga County Public Health Nursing Service has published their list of Flue Clinics. The list is posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall.

DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Zoning – Ten permits and six CO's were issued in September.

Water – John Morgan will be meeting with the painting company to come up with a plan for painting the water tower next year.

Parks – They are currently looking for a new gazebo for Gideon Hawley park.

Technology Advisory Board – The Board is looking into digital recording systems.

Constables – They had 24 patrols, handled 20 complaints, 7 911 calls, 1 accident, and issued 13 tickets.

Seniors – The Seniors had window blinds installed in the meeting room of the Community Center.

Historian – Mrs. Linder said she is assisting Pine Grove Cemetery and working on updating files in her office.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Salisbury that Resolution No. 111 – A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OCTOBER 25, 2010 AS THE DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE TOWN OF CHARLTON ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2011 be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye CARRIED

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Salisbury that Resolution No. 112 – A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCY TO SUPERVISOR CONTRACTUAL FOR CELL PHONE EXPENSE FOR BUDGET YEAR 2010 be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye CARRIED

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Salisbury that Resolution No.113 – A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCY TO ENGINEER CONTRACTUAL FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING FEES FOR BUDGET YEAR 2010 be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye CARRIED

A motion was made by Councilman Gardner and seconded by Councilman Salisbury that Resolution No.114 – A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM POLICE – VEHICLE MAINTENANCE TO CENTRAL DATA PROCESSING - EQUIPMENT FOR POLICECAR LAPTOP AND ADAPTER FOR BUDGET YEAR 2010 be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye CARRIED

A motion was made by Councilman Gardner and seconded by Councilman Lippiello that Resolution No. 115 – A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCY TO DRAINAGE - CONTRACTUAL FOR MS4 FOR BUDGET YEAR 2010 be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye CARRIED

A motion was made by Councilman Gardner and seconded by Councilman Lippiello that Resolution No. 116 – A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM SNOW REMOVAL – PERSONAL SERVICES TO MAINTENANCE OF ROADS – ROAD CONSTRUCTION FOR ADDITIONAL COST OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION FOR BUDGET YEAR 2010 be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Gardner: Aye, Councilman Lippiello: Aye, Councilman Salisbury: Aye, Supervisor Grattidge: Aye CARRIED

COUNCILMAN REPORTS

Councilman Gardner said he wondered what the status was of the landscaping that was approved for the Charlton Tavern. He also told Laura Linder that she did a very nice job on the display case presentations on the second floor. He asked if they were going to do anything with fall lawn care at the Town Hall, status of a time clock, and status of the new accounting software.

Councilman Salisbury said that the budget looks good, better than in previous years.

PRESENTATION

October is Archives month. Historian Laura Linder gave a presentation regarding Local Government Records Management and how it pertains to the Town.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

George Eggleston asked for a status of the work on the Town Garage. Supervisor Grattidge said that because of the rain, work was delayed slightly, but the forms are in and concrete should be poured soon.

Marv Schorr complimented the Highway Department for the nice job that they did on paving Imperial Lane and Duesler Court. He also reminded everyone how lucky we are to have so many good volunteers locally. He recently used the 911 service and was impressed with the responsiveness of the EMTs and ambulance workers.

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Gardner to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue and legal issues.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk