

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

PUBLIC HEARING

February 8, 2010

The Public Hearing for the adoption of the Town of Charlton Farmland Protection Plan as an amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan by the Town Board of Charlton, Saratoga County, New York was held at the Charlton Town Hall and called to order by Supervisor Grattidge at 7:00pm.

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

Absent: Councilman Verola

Town Clerk Brenda Mills read the following Legal notice which was published in the official newspaper, The Daily Gazette.

**PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF CHARLTON**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Town Board of the Town of Charlton will hold a public hearing concerning the adoption of the Town of Charlton Farmland Protection Plan as an amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan, **on the 8th day of February, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Town Hall of the Town of Charlton, 758 Charlton Road, Charlton, New York.

Dated: January 25, 2010

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF CHARLTON

Brenda Mills, Town Clerk

Rick Barnes of Behan Planning gave a power point presentation highlighting the Town's objectives with the Farmland Protection Plan.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Dave Wood said that a few years ago a survey was done and the majority of Charlton residents wanted to keep farming, farmland and open space in Charlton. He pointed out that he only owns about 1/3 of the land that he farms, and rents the rest from landowners.

Dave Stafford of Peaceable Street said he thinks that this is great. It is good to preserve the Agricultural land that we have. He applauds all the effort that went into this project.

Torben Aabo said he thinks that the committee did an excellent job.

2/8/10 Public Hearing minutes approved 3/8/10

Supervisor Grattidge said that there is a difference between open space and farmland, and the Town is concentrating on working farmland. This is a balancing act and something that the Town will have to keep working on.

Dave Stafford said that there was a newspaper article about a bridge being built connecting to Route 5 on the Mohawk. If this bridge goes near Charlton, it would put a lot of pressure on the Town.

Bob Lippiello thanked everyone who worked on the plan.

A motion was made by Councilman Salisbury and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to close the Public Hearing.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays, CARRIED.

The Public Hearing adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk