

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

September 13, 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 7:30pm.

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

Supervisor Grattidge lead the pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Verola and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to accept the minutes of the Town Board Agenda Meeting held on August 30, 2010.

VOTE: All Ayes, No Nays. *CARRIED*

A motion was made by Councilman Verola and seconded by Councilman Gardner to accept the minutes of the Town Board Executive Session held on August 30, 2010.

VOTE: All Ayes, No Nays. *CARRIED*

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT

A motion was made by Councilman Verola and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to accept General Fund claim numbers 1572-1604 as set forth in Abstract #117 in the amount of \$132,511.54.

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays *CARRIED*

TOWN CLERKS REPORT

The Town Clerk reported taking in \$787.00 for the month of August. \$242.25 was paid to the Supervisor and \$544.75 was paid to other Governmental Agencies.

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

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays *CARRIED*

SUPERVISORS REPORT

For the month of August I attended 7 Town meetings and 8 County meetings.

Some of the highlights of the month:

- Attended the ground breaking for the Bachlerville Bridge Project
- Attended a meeting of the NYSAC Task Force on the Future of Farming in NYS
- Attended a meeting at the W. Charlton FD concerning the future of the Galway Ambulance Corp.
- Continued the planning of Explore Charlton Weekend to be held Sept. 18 & 19th
- Held a bid opening for the Highway Garage Repair Project
- Attended Saratoga County day at the Races
- Worked on the legal case for the Town Hall Project

	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
<u>General</u>	112,399.11	45,252.55
<u>Highway</u>	38.54	71,950.90
<u>Water Dist. 1</u>	1,728.72	5,963.62
<u>Water Dist. 2</u>	0.00	143.78
<u>Town Hall Project:</u>		
H-Fund	10.60	6,907.64

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Explore Charlton Weekend will be September 18 & 19th.

A free concert sponsored by Saratoga County featuring the Air Force Band of Liberty will be September 25th at 3pm. Free tickets are available at the Town Clerk's office.

Route 67 will be closed from Sweetman Road to Jockey Street for emergency roadwork from Monday October 4th till Monday October 18th. Traffic will be rerouted through the village of Charlton.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Harmony Corners Fire Department thanking Constable Ken Almy and the Highway Department for their assistance with the Child Passenger Seat Check that was held on August 26th.

The Saratoga County Department of Social Services sent information regarding the Low Income Day Care Program that they administer. The income eligibility guidelines are available on the Town Hall bulletin board.

A bill was received for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day and the Town's portion of the expense is \$4,891.51. Supervisor Grattidge said that the Town is expecting approximately \$2,000 in reimbursement from the State.

Garth Ellms and A. J. Bodin are planning an Oktoberfest event at the Ellms Farm on October 10th. They spoke to the Board giving details of the event. It will be an adult-only event serving German beer to attendees over 21 years of age. They have arranged for I.D. screening and hired security. They are going to be receiving a one day liquor license. The Town will be listed as an additional insured by their Insurance Company. They are in need of a letter from the Supervisor stating that the Town has been notified of the event. The Board had no objection to the Supervisor sending a notification letter.

DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING – The Board met August 16th and held a Public Hearing which remains open, deliberated on one subdivision application and had one pre-application conference.

CONSTABLES – For the month of August, there were 28 patrols, 19 complaints, 6 911 calls and 21 tickets issued.

ZONING – For the month of August, 9 permits and 14 CO/CUs were issued.

NEWSLETTER – The newsletter will be coming out in October.

WATER – The new system has been balanced. A workshop of the water commissioners and the Town Board has been set up for September 27th at 6:30 pm.

PARKS – The Committee is getting quotes on a new gazebo for Gideon Hawley Park.

HISTORIAN – Mrs. Linder is making 11x17 maps of the Historic District and maps of the different districts in Charlton for the display case at Town Hall. She will have this ready for the Explore Charlton weekend.

HIGHWAY – Mr. Emerich said that they have completed the paving of Imperial and Duesler, and have installed the historical markers. Mr. Emerich asked permission from the Board to have 2 fundraising flyers put on the Town's website. They are to benefit Denis Ryder, a Highway Department employee that was injured in a motorcycle accident during the summer and is not able to return to work yet. Mr. Emerich said that a pre-construction meeting was held regarding the foundation repair, and the work is expected to begin the last week of September. Mr. Emerich said that he contacted the Auction Company regarding the surplus materials and he is awaiting a response. He also stated that the Department is in need of a new demo saw.

Technology Advisory Board – The Board has been has been researching sound systems and digital recorders and hopes to bring a quote to the Agenda meeting.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTION, PROCLAMATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

A motion was made by Councilman Verola and seconded by Councilman Lippiello that Resolution No. 106 – A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TOWN OF CHARLTON BUDGET FOR 2010 WITH RESPECT TO REMAINING FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE TOWN OF CHARLTON THROUGH THE NEW YORK STATE CONSOLIDATED HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CHIPS) be approved.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Lippiello and seconded by Councilman Verola that Resolution No. 107 – A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A DELL PC FOR THE SUPERVISOR be approved.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Verola and seconded by Councilman Gardner that Resolution No. 108 – A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL CHIPS MONEY be approved

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

A motion was made by Councilman Gardner and seconded by Councilman Verola to authorize the purchase of a Dell Laptop for \$815 and an adapter for the Constable Department.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Verola and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to authorize the purchase of a Town Seal from Pendelton Signs for \$1,312 for the Justice Court.

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

COUNCILMAN REPORTS

Councilman Salisbury said he is happy to be able to return to his duties after his recovery.

Councilman Lippiello reminded everyone of the primary election tomorrow.

Councilman Verola said that she went to Imperial Lane to observe the Highway Department and the paving of the road.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Laura Linder said that the Pine Grove Cemetery will have tours on Explore Charlton Weekend. The next meeting of the Historical Society will be about archeology. She commended Supervisor Grattidge for his presentation that he gave to the Charlton Seniors. She also pointed out that some of the road signs have centers that have faded and need to be replaced.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk