

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

March 28, 2016

The Agenda 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. to set the agenda for the April 11th Meeting.

Present: Councilman Gay, Councilman Grasso, Councilman Heritage, Councilman Hodgkins, Supervisor Grattidge, Town Clerk Brenda Mills, Attorney Van Vranken.

RESOLUTION # 80

Abstract of Claims

Motion by Councilman Grasso

Seconded by Councilman Hodgkins

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in Abstract #106, voucher numbers 143 - 176, in the amount of \$63,325.00.

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

RESOLUTION # 81

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilman Hodgkins

Seconded by Councilman Gay

Discussion: Supervisor Grattidge noted the correct spelling of grader in the Highway report.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the Town Board Meeting Minutes from March 14, 2016.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brush Pick-Up will begin the week of April 17th. Brush should be put curbside with limb ends facing the road. One pass through will be made through Town so all brush should be put out by the 17th. This pick-up is intended for removal of yard trimmings and storm related brush, and is not intended for tree removal. The Town will not be picking up trees that have been cut down.

Bulk Item Pick-up will be the week of May 23rd. County Waste has informed the Supervisor that they are limiting the amount of waste that they will collect from each home. The pile is not to exceed 4x8x4 feet. They will be sending inspectors out, and if there is excess waste, they will inform the homeowner of the cost of removing the excess if they chose to have them take it. There will not be a dumpster at the Highway Garage for metal this year. Metal will be picked up by County Waste. Information is on the Town's website.

A public presentation by Saratoga Plan and Saratoga County Planning Board will be held at the Charlton Town Hall on March 31st at 6:30 p.m. to present "Farmland Conservation Options for Landowners".

DISCUSSION

The Sales Tax report for the month was \$87,132.00 and the Mortgage Tax was \$6,523.00. Supervisor Grattidge noted that both amounts are lower than at this time last year.

Supervisor Grattidge that a study was done and Saratoga County was rated the healthiest county in New York State.

The Board had received a request from the BHBL Girls Modified La Crosse team to be able to do a community service project in Charlton. In the past they have done roadside clean-up. The Board suggested that they clean the Veterans Memorial Board and do some ground clean-up in Gideon Hawley Park.

The Town Board did a walk-through at the Community Center and noted some items to be taken care of. They approved a request by the Seniors to have grab bars installed in the restrooms. Councilman Grasso also noted that the attic could use some cleaning. Supervisor Grattidge will ask the Town's Maintenance worker to take care of these items. Councilman Hodgkins noted that a few fascia boards on the building need replacing and a few tree branches close to the building need to be taken down. He will talk to the Highway Superintendent about getting these things taken care of.

Supervisor Grattidge said that he spoke with a representative from United Health Insurance and they have a health insurance plan for retirees that costs \$69 per month which is considerably less than the \$280 per month for the current plan that the Town carries. The major difference in the coverage is the hospitalization coverage which the current plan has no co-pay for, and the United plan has a co-pay of \$295 per day for the first 4 days. Supervisor Grattidge pointed out that the plan for current employees have has a \$1,000 deductible for hospitalization. Councilman Grasso said that he felt that this is something that the Board should strongly consider. No action was taken tonight.

Councilman Grasso said that he talked to the Town Clerk about a possible dog enumeration. The Clerk said that there are two different ways to do an enumeration. One option is to send Dog Control door to door, which would require a lot of man hours. The other option is to send a returnable post card asking every homeowner to verify whether or not they have dogs. The Dog Control officer would follow up on households that do not return the card. The Board will consider the options, and asked the Clerk to put mention of a possible enumeration in the newsletter.

The Clerk verified that the proof of the Spring newsletter has been sent to the printer, and is on schedule to go in the mail the first week in April.

The Town Board has seen a proof for the new banner for Founder's Day. The cost of the banner is \$150.00, and Supervisor Grattidge suggested that the Town pay for it.

Supervisor Grattidge asked the Town Attorney to prepare a resolution for the next meeting, regarding the Board accepting the Town Department audits.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

RESOLUTION #82

Motion by Councilman Hodgkins
Seconded by Councilman Grasso

Discussion: Councilman Hodgkins did a field review of the Highway Department projects. He said that other drainage projects will be done in lower Charlton. He will ask Mr. Emerich to prepare a road by road cost analysis for the Board.

Roll Call: Councilman Gay: Aye; Councilman Grasso: Aye; Councilman Heritage: Aye; Councilman Hodgkins: Aye; Supervisor Grattidge: Aye. **CARRIED**

TOWN OF CHARLTON
COUNTY OF SARATOGA
STATE OF NEW YORK

RESOLUTION NO. 82

March 28, 2016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURES FOR REPAIR
AND IMPROVEMENT OF TOWN HIGHWAYS AUTHORIZED BY
SECTION 284 OF THE NEW YORK STATE HIGHWAY LAW

WHEREAS, New York State Highway Law Section 284 requires that expenditures for the repair and improvement of Town highways requires that an agreement between the Town Board and the Town Superintendent of Highways be signed, and

WHEREAS, such agreement between the Board and Superintendent shall be in writing, signed in duplicate by a majority of the members of the Town Board and by the Town Superintendent of Highways before the agreement shall take effect, and

WHEREAS, one of the duplicate agreements between the Town Board and Superintendent of Highways shall be filed in the Office of Town Clerk and one duplicate original agreement shall be filed in the Office of the Superintendent of Highways.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board and Superintendent of Highways shall execute an agreement for the expenditure of highway monies pursuant to Section 284 of the Highway Law, which agreement is attached to this resolution and made a part hereof as if more fully set forth herein, setting forth the expenditures to be set aside in the sum of \$108,664.00 and describing the Town highways on which repair and improvements shall be made during calendar year 2016, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the filing of such agreement shall be made according to the terms of the resolution hereby approved.

Moved by	Councilman Hodgkins	Voting:	Councilman Gay	Aye
			Councilman Grasso	Aye
Seconded by	Councilman Grasso		Councilman Heritage	Aye
			Councilman Hodgkins	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: March 28, 2016

Brenda Mills, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #83

A resolution to authorize BHBL Junior Baseball League to use the Elmer Smith Park ball fields

Motion by Councilman Grasso

Seconded by Councilman Heritage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the BHBL Junior Baseball League to use the ball fields in Elmer Smith Park beginning April 4th through June 11th from 5 – 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. This is conditional upon approval of the field condition by the Highway Superintendent. The park will not be available June 3rd or 4th because of Party in the Park.

Roll Call: Councilman Gay: Aye; Councilman Grasso: Aye; Councilman Heritage: Aye; Councilman Hodgkins: Aye; Supervisor Grattidge: Aye. **CARRIED**

RESOLUTION #84

A resolution to authorize the purchase of a commemorative plaque for the Gideon Hawley Park gazebo

Motion by Councilman Gay

Seconded by Councilman Heritage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the Town Historian to purchase a bronze plaque for the Gideon Hawley Gazebo from Bronze Memorials at a cost of \$615.00.

Roll Call: Councilman Gay: Aye; Councilman Grasso: Aye; Councilman Heritage: Aye; Councilman Hodgkins: Aye; Supervisor Grattidge: Aye. **CARRIED**

The Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk