

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

**August 8, 2016**

The Regular 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 7:32 p.m.

Supervisor Grattidge led the pledge of Allegiance.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION #126**

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Councilman Heritage  
Seconded by Councilman Gay

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the minutes of the Town Board Agenda Meeting on July 25, 2016.

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

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

No one chose to speak.

**ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS**

**RESOLUTION #127**

**Approval of Abstract of Claims**

Motion by Councilman Grasso  
Seconded by Councilman Heritage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in Abstract No. 115, voucher numbers 447 - 457 in the amount of \$12,002.24

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

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

Town Clerk Brenda Mills reported that the Clerk's office took in \$726.75 for the month of July. \$468.81 was paid to the Supervisor's Office as revenue, and \$257.94 was paid to other Governmental agencies.

**RESOLUTION #128**

**Acceptance of the Town Clerk's Report**

Motion by Councilman Gay

Seconded by Councilman Grasso

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has accepted the Town Clerk's report as read.

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

**SUPERVISORS REPORT**

For the month of July, I attended 2 Town meetings and 6 County meetings.

Some of the highlights of the month:

- Attended normal Town and County meetings
- Attended Opening Day at the Saratoga Flat Track and the Joe Gerrity Memorial Race at Saratoga Harness Track

Supervisor Grattidge confirmed that the Board had received the Financial Reports for the month. He has given the department heads 2017 budget request packets. He would like to see the Town return to matching the CHIPS money for the Highway Department for road construction. He said that the Board is watching the budget closely and needs to return to conservative numbers, at least for the next 3 years. Councilman Grasso said that he feels that it is really important that there not be any capital expenditures during the next three years and until some of the existing bonds are paid off.

(see Supervisor's financial report on next page)

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**MONTHLY REPORT OF SUPERVISOR****TO THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CHARLTON :**

Pursuant to Section 125 of the Town Law, I hereby render the following detailed statement of all moneys received and disbursed by me during the month of July, 2016:

DATED: August 2, 2016

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SUPERVISOR

	Balance 06/30/2016	Increases	Decreases	Balance 07/31/2016
<b>A GENERAL FUND - TOWNWIDE</b>				
CASH - CHECKING	11,331.16	58,871.20	58,869.26	11,333.10
CASH - SAVING	432,933.07	85,048.44	58,869.26	459,112.25
PETTY CASH	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Park Fees Reserve	60,383.25	4.82	0.00	60,388.07
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>505,147.48</b>	<b>143,924.46</b>	<b>117,738.52</b>	<b>531,333.42</b>
<b>DA HIGHWAY FUND</b>				
CASH - CHECKING	0.00	108,256.14	108,256.14	0.00
CASH - SAVINGS	14,162.90	65,454.38	108,256.14	-28,638.86
CASH, SPECIAL RESERVE	15,477.13	0.00	0.00	15,477.13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,640.03</b>	<b>173,710.52</b>	<b>216,512.28</b>	<b>-13,161.73</b>
<b>F WATER #1 FUND</b>				
CASH - CHECKING	0.00	7,953.94	7,953.94	0.00
CASH - SAVINGS	179,957.11	65,742.03	7,953.94	237,745.20
WATER SERIAL BOND	34,307.30	1.45	0.00	34,308.75
CASH, SPECIAL RESERVES	121,277.00	5.14	0.00	121,282.14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>335,541.41</b>	<b>73,702.56</b>	<b>15,907.88</b>	<b>393,336.09</b>
<b>SW WATER #2 FUND</b>				
CASH - CHECKING	0.00	135.30	135.30	0.00
CASH - SAVINGS	26,725.05	2.41	135.30	26,592.16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26,725.05</b>	<b>137.71</b>	<b>270.60</b>	<b>26,592.16</b>
<b>TA TRUST &amp; AGENCY</b>				
CASH - CHECKING	6,261.45	37,036.00	37,241.00	6,056.45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,261.45</b>	<b>37,036.00</b>	<b>37,241.00</b>	<b>6,056.45</b>
<b>H CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>				
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>903,315.42</b>	<b>428,511.25</b>	<b>387,670.28</b>	<b>944,156.39</b>

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Grattidge said that Saratoga County Emergency Services has sent out information for Town Officials who are interested in emergency training.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Supervisor Grattidge said that the Board has received a letter from National Grid stating that they are planning to put a new substation on Lasher Road in the Town of Ballston. The station would replace the substation on Randall Road. The Town Clerk will keep a cd on file for the public that contains their Article VII Amendment application.

Supervisor Grattidge acknowledged for the record that one of the Town's Highway Department workers was struck by a car and severely injured while working on Route 67. The Board expressed their concern and well wishes for his recovery.

## **DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Historian – Councilman Hodgkins said that he received a letter from a woman that had ancestors that lived in Charlton in the 1700s or 1800s. He said that the information was very interesting and he will pass it on to the Town Historian.

Party in the Park – Councilman Hodgkins said that he gave the Board copies of the Committee's final minutes that contain an overview of this year's event.

Highway - Councilman Hodgkins reported that the Highway Superintendent has been moving the speed wagon to different locations, and soon after the move, someone is registering about 100 mph around 6 a.m. He has found that 14,000 cars a day travel on Lakehill Road and 20,000 on Swaggertown Road.

Building/Zoning –In July, 10 building permits were issued and \$3,000.14 was collected in fees.

Water – Councilman Gay said that he had a meeting with Doug Flynn and is impressed with Doug's handling of some small issues that have arisen and with his knowledge so far. He said that Doug has taken the first of two exams to receive his certification. Councilman Gay said that hydrant flushing is done by the Assistant Superintendent Dennis Russell.

Constables – In July, there were 29 patrols, 24 complaints, 9 911 calls and 4 accidents responded to. 1,984 miles were traveled and 47 tickets were issued (of which 24 were issued on Route 67).

Dog Control – In July, there were 4 complaints, 2 non dog related complaints, 2 licensed dogs seized or returned to owner, and 2 expired dog licenses followed up on, .

Planning Board - In July, the Board approved the 3 lot subdivision on Jolly Road and is considering a 2 lot subdivision on Charlton Road.

Newsletter – The deadline for articles for the Fall Newsletter is September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Parks – Councilman Heritage said that he received a quote from a tree company to move 2 mature trees from the back yard at Town Hall to the edge of the volleyball courts in Elmer Smith Park, at a cost of \$200 per tree,. The Town would be responsible to fill in the holes from where the trees were removed.

## **RESOLUTION #129**

### **Authorize Jackson Tree Service to move trees from Town Hall to Elmer Smith Park**

Motion by Councilman Grasso

Seconded by Councilman Heritage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes Jackson Tree Service (Plant–A-Tree, LLC) to dig out and remove two trees from the backyard of Town Hall and relocate and plant in Elmer Smith Park at a cost not to exceed \$400.00.

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

Councilman Grasso said that he recently met with Airosmith Development who are representing Verizon regarding a new proposed cell antenna in Charlton. They have completed compiling information and have answers to questions that were asked at the Public Informational Meeting in January. They would like to present the information to the Town Board. They were asked for more information regarding the effect on home values, more information about health and safety issues and to investigate alternative sites. Councilman Grasso suggested that there be another Public Informational Meeting. The Board decided to have the presentation to the Board and the public during a Public Informational Meeting on Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m. Councilman Grasso said that the Board will need to make a decision sometime in the near future on the pending Verizon lease application.

**RESOLUTION #130**

**A Resolution to set the date of September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. to hold a Public Informational Meeting with a presentation by Airosmith Development**

Motion by Councilman Heritage  
Seconded by Councilman Grasso

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has set the date of September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. to hold a Public Informational Meeting with a presentation by Airosmith Development, representatives for Verizon, regarding a proposed cell antenna in the Town of Charlton.

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

**MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS**

**RESOLUTION #131**

**A resolution acknowledging receipt of an Exceptional Use Permit application from Leonard C. Wessell, Jr. to operate a Trucking Business for delivery of materials and fuels, Acceptance by the Town Board of primary jurisdiction pursuant to the Town of Charlton Zoning Ordinance and scheduling of a joint Public Hearing at the Charlton Town Hall on August 22, 2016**

Motion by Councilman Gay  
Seconded by Councilman Heritage

Roll Call Vote: 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. 131

August 8, 2016

**A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF AN EXCEPTIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION FROM LEONARD C. WESSELL, JR. TO OPERATE A TRUCKING BUSINESS FOR DELIVERY OF MATERIALS AND FUELS. ACCEPTANCE BY THE TOWN BOARD OF PRIMARY JURISDICTION PURSUANT TO THE TOWN OF CHARLTON ZONING ORDINANCE AND SCHEDULING OF A JOINT PUBLIC HEARING AT THE CHARLTON TOWN HALL ON AUGUST 22, 2016**

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received an application on July 15, 2016 from Duane R. Rabideau,

agent for Leonard C. Wessell, Jr., said application dated July 8, 2016, applying for an amendment to an exceptional use permit in order to operate a trucking business for material and fuel delivery, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed such application, consulted with the Town of Charlton Zoning Enforcement Officer and the Attorney for the Town regarding issues which need to be considered in processing this application and as set forth in Article VII of the Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Charlton as adopted September 14, 2015, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has previously received from the Town Attorney a memorandum outlining the procedures to be followed with respect to processing an exceptional use permit application in situations where the Town Board accepts primary jurisdiction of the application, and

WHEREAS, based on the requirements of Article VII of the Charlton Zoning Ordinance, the Board hereby authorizes the following actions related to the processing of the Wessell application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Charlton hereby formally accepts the exceptional use permit application of Leonard C. Wessell, Jr. dated July 8, 2016, a copy of which is attached to this resolution and made a part hereof, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board will retain primary jurisdiction of this application as authorized and set forth in Article VII, Section 3(A) of the Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Charlton, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares itself as lead agency with respect to all matters involving the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to publish a Notice of Public Hearing with respect to the Wessell exceptional use permit application, which public hearing shall be scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 22, 2016 at the Town of Charlton Town Hall located at 758 Charlton Road, Charlton, New York 12019, and which public hearing shall include the Charlton Zoning Board of Appeals and the Charlton Planning Board in order that all Town boards involved in this application shall receive the required information necessary to complete each board's obligation regarding this matter.

Moved by	Councilman Gay	Voting:	Councilman Gay	Aye
			Councilman Grasso	Aye
Seconded by	Councilman Heritage		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

Dated: August 8, 2016

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Brenda Mills, Town Clerk

**COUNCILMAN REPORTS**

Councilman Heritage said that there will be a meeting of the Parks Committee in Gideon Hawley Park on August 15<sup>th</sup>, and all Board members are welcome to attend. Supervisor Grattidge said that Jackson Tree Service mentioned that there are some large blue spruce trees in Elmer Smith Park that have a needle disease and are dying. They need to be cut down and disposed of. They also said that the big tree with roots going under the

basket ball court, could have its roots cut and separated and still save the tree. The Supervisor suggested putting together a schedule of all of the things that need to be done so that any new surfaces put down could be used next summer. Included in the schedule should be getting power around the tennis courts for vendors.

Councilman Grasso said that he appreciates Jeremy Almy and his service to the Town and the Highway Department. He said that the accident raises awareness of the hazards of working along the Town's roadways. He wished him a full and speedy recovery and said that the Board's thoughts are with him.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

No one chose to speak.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills  
Town Clerk