

**Town of Charlton
Saratoga County**

PUBLIC HEARING

For 2012 Preliminary Budget

**November 14, 2011
7:00 PM**

The second Public Hearing for the 2012 Budget of the Town of Charlton, Saratoga County, New York was held at 7:00 pm at the Charlton Town Hall and called to order by Supervisor Grattidge.

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

Town Clerk Brenda Mills confirmed that the following Legal notice was published in the official newspaper, The Daily Gazette on Thursday, November 3, 2011:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

Town of Charlton
Saratoga County, NY

NOTICE is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Charlton has scheduled a second Public Hearing on November 14th at 7 p.m. to discuss any major changes made to the preliminary budget of the Town for the fiscal year beginning January 2012.

Brenda Mills, Town Clerk
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Supervisor Grattidge gave a brief overview of that last Budget Workshop. The Board added \$55,000 to A-9950.9-transfer to Capital funds. The purpose is so that if legal fees arise for the lawsuit, the money can be transferred to the H-fund. An adjustment was made for the Saratoga County Meals on Wheels program. Last year the amount was \$834.00 and this year will be \$1,096.00. The third item was for Party in the Park. The Board added \$7,000.00 back into the budget for the event, and offset it with \$7,000.00 in revenue to be received in donations.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Terry Ostrander, Western Avenue asked why sales tax revenue was listed under Highway revenue. The Supervisor said that since we do not have a highway tax, the Town uses sales tax and other revenues to pay for the Highway Department.

Carol Schweitzer, DeGraff Road said that she is very happy that Party in the Park was added back into the budget. She has heard lots of favorable comments from people in support of the event.

Paul St. John, Crane Street said under income, it says negative \$176. The Supervisor says that that is the money that is being appropriated out of the unappropriated fund balance.

Suzanne Voight said that she also is very happy to see Party in the Park back in the budget. She feels that it is a community service and important event. Councilman Lippiello reminded everyone that no Town money can be used for the event, it must be paid for by donations.

Councilman Verola said that she is happy that Party in the Park is back in the budget. She had received calls from several residents that were very disappointed when the event was taken out of the budget.

A motion was made by Councilman Verola and seconded by Councilman Lippiello to close the Public Hearing.
Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. CARRIED

The Public Hearing adjourned at: 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk