

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**2011 Budget**

**October 25, 2010  
7:00 PM**

The Public Hearing for the 2011 Budget of the Town of Charlton, Saratoga County, New York 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 Saturday October, 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

Town of Charlton  
Saratoga County, NY

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the preliminary budget of the Town Charlton for the fiscal year beginning January 2011 has been filed in the office of Town Clerk, Charlton Town Hall, 758 Charlton Road, Charlton, NY, where it is available for inspection during business hours.

Further notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Charlton will meet and review said preliminary budget and hold a public hearing thereon at the Charlton Town Hall, 758 Charlton Rd, Charlton, NY at 7pm, on October 25<sup>th</sup> and that at such hearing any town resident may be heard in favor or against any item or items therein contained.

Pursuant to Section 108 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following town officers are hereby specified as follows:

Town Supervisor \$10,000.00  
Town Councilman (4) \$5,000.00  
Town Clerk \$33,868.00  
Highway Superintendent \$50,894.00

BY THE ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

Brenda Mills, Charlton Town Clerk  
10/13/10

Supervisor Grattidge said that this budget holds the line on expenses. The Highway Department budget is based on the 2010 amounts, with pay raises given to hourly workers and full time employees. Increases were given to the Ambulance Corps. The biggest increases were for health insurance and retirement benefits. The Board is committed to have the Town run with a No-Town and No-Highway tax to the residents.

Supervisor Grattidge opened the floor to discussion.

Kevin Stone of Charlton Road said he is a member of the Communications Committee and wanted to make sure that the Board received the Committee's request for \$3,700 to redo the Town's website. Supervisor Grattidge said that the Board would consider the request.

George Eggleston of Florence Drive said that his social security check to not go up, so he does not feel that anyone should be given a raise.

Councilman Salisbury said that on the hand-out that was given, the amount listed on the 2010 General Government Support line is incorrect.

Councilman Lippiello said that he is concerned that there are 19 people that are not getting raises. There is \$4,800 budget for training conferences for the Board, and he asked if anyone besides himself would be willing to give back the training money to be used for raises.

Councilman Verola said that she feels that training is absolutely essential. She is not saying that she is not willing to do as Councilman Lippiello requested, however she feels that it is very important that the Board is properly trained.

Councilman Gardner stated that when he was a new Councilman, he attended training and it was very helpful. He has not attended any since, and feels that it is important to spend the money to keep up with the training.

No further discussion ensued.

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Mills  
Town Clerk