

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

October 11, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Charlton, Saratoga County, New York was held at the Town Hall, 758 Charlton Road, Charlton, NY and called to order by Supervisor Grasso at 7:32 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Councilman Glavin, Councilman Robbins, Councilman St. John, Councilman Tasse, Supervisor Grasso.

Also present: Town Clerk Brenda Mills, Attorney Craig.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION #161

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilman Robbins

Seconded by Councilman Tasse

BY MOTION the Town Board approved the minutes of the Town Board Meeting on September 26, 2022.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR AGENDA ITEMS

No one chose to speak.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town is sponsoring Bulk Item Drop-off for residents from Monday October 24th until Saturday October 29th at the Town highway garage on Jockey Street. The hours will be Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m, and Saturday 8:00 a.m. until noon. More information will be in the Fall newsletter and is available on the Town website.

The Highway Department will conduct bagged leaf pickup the week of October 31 to November 4th.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Grasso said that he has issued the September Sales Tax report to the Town Board. It was another strong month as the September amount was \$137,021.00, which put our year-to-date sales tax receipts up \$87,000 over our budgeted receipts and bringing our revenue up 10.8% year to date. For the 2023 budget, he has increased our projected sales tax receipts by 3.3% to 1.55 million dollars.

The mortgage tax for July was \$16,725 and August was \$13,018.00. Our mortgage tax receipts are only at 71% of our budgeted amount. In the 2022 budget, we anticipated \$182,000 in mortgage tax receipts, but we have lowered that projection to \$156,000 for the 2023 budget.

Supervisor Grasso said that the Tentative Town Budget has been given to the Town Board members. It will be made available on the Town website and at the Clerk's office. There will be a public hearing regarding the budget on October 24th, and the Board will vote on the budget at the November 14th meeting.

Supervisor Grasso said that some of the 2023 proposed budget highlights are:

- No Town tax or Highway tax
- Proposed \$50,000 increase in Sales Tax revenue
- 4% salary increase for all Town employees
- Funding included for 2 flashing speed signs for Charlton Road
- Funding included for an additional parttime Constable
- 3% increase to the Town of Ballston Library
- No tax increase to the Water District
- Ambulance Tax proposed 2% increase

DISCUSSION

Supervisor Grasso said that the speed wagon was set up on Sweetman Road from October 4th until October 11th. The speed limit on the road is 45mph. The average speed recorded was 41.17mph. The minimum speed recorded was 20mph and the fasted speed was 69mph. 85% of all vehicles were traveling at or below 48mph.

DEPARTMENT, COMMITTEE & COUNCILMAN REPORTS

Town Clerk – Clerk Mills reported that her office took in \$2,543.75 for the month of September. \$870.81 was paid to the Supervisor's office as revenue, and \$1,672.94 was paid to other Governmental agencies.

Town of Ballston Library – Director Rebecca Darling thanked the Town Board for the proposed 3% increase in funding. She said that construction is still in progress at the Library and the Local History Room is finished. The LED lighting project is complete and was partially paid for by a grant from the State for \$75,000.

Community Center – Supervisor Grasso said that the County completed drainage work on Charlton Road in front of the Center. They replaced the storm drain that comes down Charlton Road, and installed a new lateral drain to the building. The Town Highway Department will work on drainage work around the building starting next week. This is all in an effort to keep water out of the basement and avoid future mold issues. Congressman Tonko hosted a zoom meeting with potential grant recipients last week. The bill has not been approved by Congress yet, but he is confident that it will be approved. It will be a few more months before the expected approval, and the Town is hopeful to be a recipient.

Highway - Brush pick-up was completed last week Bulk item drop off is scheduled for the week of October 24th.

Water: Councilman Glavin said that the Department of Health did a surprise inspection last week, and there were not issues found.

***Councilman Tasse left the meeting at 7:57 p.m.**

Dog Control – In September, there were 6 calls received.

Constables – In September, there were 2,700 miles traveled, 20 patrols, 17 complaints received, 11 911 calls, 2 accident/ 4 EMT calls responded to, and 27 tickets were issued (7 on Route 67).

Planning Board – Councilman St. John said that the Mancini Public Hearing for a subdivision on Sweetman Road, remains open.

ZBA – The Schmidt Platt Public Hearing was held. No comments were received, and a lot line change was approved.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS & AUTHORIZATIONS

RESOLUTION #162

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OCTOBER 24, 2022 AS THE DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING THE TOWN OF CHARLTON ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2023**

Motion by Councilman Robbins

Seconded by Councilman Glavin

Roll Call: Councilman Glavin: Aye, Councilman Robbins: Aye, Councilman St. John: Aye, Councilman Tasse: Absent, Supervisor Grasso: Aye. **CARRIED**

**TOWN OF CHARLTON
COUNTY OF SARATOGA
STATE OF NEW YORK**

**RESOLUTION NO. 162
October 11, 2022**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OCTOBER 24, 2022 AS THE DATE
FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE TOWN OF CHARLTON
ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2023**

WHEREAS, under provisions of the New York State Town Law, the Town Board of the Town of Charlton is required to conduct a public hearing with respect to the consideration of the Town's annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board hereby determines that the annual budget public hearing for the budget year 2023 shall be held at the Town Hall on Monday, October 24, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Charlton hereby sets a Public Hearing and will meet at the Town Hall on October 24, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., at which time and place it shall consider comments from residents of the Town of Charlton with respect to the annual Town budget for the year 2023, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to prepare, post and publish the appropriate notices for such public hearing in accordance with Town Law.

Moved by Councilman Robbins

Seconded by Councilman Glavin

Voting: Councilman Glavin	Aye
Councilman Robbins	Aye
Councilman St. John	Aye
Councilman Tasse	Absent
Supervisor Grasso	Aye

The resolution was duly adopted on October 11, 2022.

Brenda Mills, Town Clerk

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS

MOTION #163

Approval of Abstract of Claims

Motion by Councilman Glavin

Seconded by Councilman Robbins

BY MOTION, the Town Board approved the processing of Abstract 119, voucher numbers 532-553 in the amount of \$154,552.04 which was audited by Town Board members.

Vote: 4 Ayes, No Nays. **CARRIED**

Supervisor Grasso noted that the abstract contained a voucher for approximately \$80,000 in paving materials that will be paid for with ARPA funds.

The Town Clerk noted that for Abstract #118, the new total is \$300,200.33. Voucher #509 in the amount of \$368.26 was removed from the abstract because the check was made out to wrong vendor. The voucher was reentered on Abstract 119.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one chose to speak.

MOTION #164

Motion to adjourn the meeting

Motion by Councilman St. John

Seconded by Councilman Glavin

BY MOTION the Town Board adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills
Town Clerk