

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

**January 10, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Charlton, Saratoga County, New York was held virtually on Zoom and called to order by Supervisor Grasso at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Grasso, Councilman Glavin, Councilman Robbins, Councilman St. John, Councilman Tasse.

Also present: Town Clerk Brenda Mills, Attorney Craig.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION #52**

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Councilman Robbins

Seconded by Councilman Glavin

**BY MOTION** the Town Board approved the minutes of the Town Board Meeting on December 28, 2021.

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

**MOTION #53**

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Councilman Robbins

Seconded by Councilman Glavin

**BY MOTION** the Town Board approved the minutes of the Town Board Organizational Meeting on January 3, 2022.

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

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

No one chose to speak.

**SUPERVISORS REPORT**

Supervisor Grasso gave condolences to the family of Albert LaRue who recently passed away. The Supervisor noted that Al was a prominent person and farmer, a gentleman and a tremendous individual. He would lend a hand to anyone that needed it. He was a gifted person and master mechanic. Thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

Supervisor Grasso said that this past week there was a missing person search in Charlton and unfortunately it did not end well. The resident was found deceased in the woods. Thoughts and prayers go out to his family. There was a search conducted by the State Police, Forest Rangers, Charlton Police and Charlton Fire Department. The Supervisor thanked all those who assisted.

Supervisor Grasso said that last week a limited supply of Covid test kits were provided to the Town from the County. He thanked the Town Clerk for her efforts in distributing the kits.

Supervisor Grasso gave a shout out to the Highway Department for their efforts in yesterday's ice storm. He also thanked Councilman Robbins for getting the alert phone call out to residents to warn them of the hazardous road conditions.

Supervisor Grasso wanted to remind residents of the parking restrictions on Town roadways. In the winter months, no one is permitted to park within 4 feet of the edge of the road overnight. Also, basketball hoops and garbage cans should not be placed where they can hinder the snowplows.

Supervisor Grasso acknowledged that the new Open Meetings Law requires that the Town post minutes to the website whether approved or not within 2 weeks of the meeting. Resolutions should also be posted with the agendas.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Town offices will be closed January 17th in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Lion's Club is hoping to start a Burnt Hills/Charlton chapter, and will be having an informational meeting on January 12<sup>th</sup> at the Nally Barn.

The Town of Moreau Supervisor Ted Kusnierz has been reappointed as Chairman of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.

## **DEPARTMENT, COMMITTEE & COUNCILMAN REPORTS**

Town Clerk – Clerk Mills said her office took in \$721.00 for the month of December. \$685.00 was paid to the Supervisor's office as revenue, and \$36.00 was paid to other Governmental agencies.

Code Red – Councilman Robbins said that residents can sign up to receive alerts from the Town by signing up for Code Red. He asked the Town Clerk to make sure that the sign up information is on the website.

Parks- Councilman Robbins said that the Town was awarded the 2021 and 2022 Trail Grants from the County. On January 17<sup>th</sup> the survey work will begin in Mill Pond Park. The Highway Department has started the nature path in Elmer Smith Park.

Town water System: Councilman Glavin reported that the final test result for the 20th of 20 sample for lead and iron constituents came back as meeting NYSDOH health standards. All 20 of the recent sample results are in compliance with DOH drinking water standards for lead and iron. The Water Superintendent, Town Board Liaison for infrastructure, Town Supervisor, and the Town Engineering firm, EDP, representative met on January 5th to discuss future actions for the water system with a focus on an evaluation of risks associated with the system and identification of future needs for the system based on identified risks. The town engineering firm will perform the evaluation.

Highway – Superintendent Marshall Heritage submitted the following report for the month of December:

- 1.Cutting brush and tree limbs
- 2.Plowing snow and sanding roads
- 3.Installed new sander in truck 1
- 4.Cleaned up several down trees from wind storms
5. Mixing of Sand Salt
- 6.Maintenance on trucks
- 7.Dig Safe locations 16 for the month
- 8.Picking up Christmas trees

Constables – In December, there were 34,000 miles traveled, 28 patrols, 13 complaints, 7 911 calls and 1 accident/2 EMT Fire calls were responded to, and 14 tickets were issued (2 on Route 67).

Town of Ballston Library – Rebecca Darling reported that construction has begun on the Local History Room at the Library.

Technology Committee – Councilman Tassè said that currently they are working on the purchase of 2 pc's for the Town and the internet speed problem.

## **MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

### **MOTION #54**

#### **MOTION TO APPOINT SUPERVISOR AS VOTING DELEGATE AT ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS MEETING**

Motion by Councilman Tasse

Seconded by Councilman Glavin

BY MOTION, the Town Board appointed Supervisor Grasso as the voting delegate for the Town of Charlton at the annual Association of Towns meeting in February.

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

## **ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS**

### **MOTION #55**

#### **Approval of Abstract of Claims**

Motion by Councilman Robbins

Seconded by Councilman Tasse

**BY MOTION**, the Town Board approved the processing of Abstract 101, voucher numbers 1-19 in the amount of \$62,141.31 which was audited by Town Board members.

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

## **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Suzanne Voigt thanked the Town for the Covid test kit.

Mary Bonner asked how the ARPA funds would be spent. Supervisor Grasso said that there are restrictions on the use of the funds based on loss of revenue. There are requirements that it be used for water, sewer or broadband. The Town is currently looking into all possibilities.

### **MOTION #56**

#### **Motion to adjourn the meeting**

Motion by Councilman Glavin

Seconded by Councilman Robbins

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Mills  
Town Clerk