

**TOWN OF CHARLOTTE  
COUNTY OF CHAUTAUQUA  
STATE OF NEW YORK**

The Town Board, Town of Charlotte held a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 11th, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the David Vern Luce Community Building. Allen Chase, Supervisor presiding. Board members present were: Henry Harper Jr. Darren Carlstrom and Mark Abbey. Kenneth Smith was absent. Others present were: Wanda Crossley, Town Court Clerk, Mark LeBaron, Highway Superintendent, Randy Graham, Insurance Agent, Timothy Cobb Jr., Town Employee, Larry Barmore, County Clerk, Allen Gustafson, Town Zoning/Building Code Officer, Bill Newton, John Swanson, Marshall Greenstein, Earl & Joni Riggle, and Sue Peacock, Town Clerk. The meeting was called to order; Prayer was offered by Henry Harper Jr. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Each board member had been given a copy of the minutes of the March 14, 2018 board meeting. A motion was made by Mark Abbey seconded by Darren Carlstrom and carried to accept the minutes as submitted.

A motion was made by Darren Carlstrom seconded by Henry Harper Jr., and carried to draw warrants on the proper funds in payment of Highway Claims No. 41 to No. 50 in the amount of \$21,230.81 which have been duly audited and to draw warrants on the proper funds in payment of General Fund Claims No.70 to No. 99 in the amount of \$6,502.20, which have been duly audited.

A motion was made by Henry Harper Jr., seconded by Darren Carlstrom, and carried to compensate Larry Green, Building/Zoning officer a \$60 stipend for his cell phone for his time in service to the Town, January 1 to March 31, 2018.

A motion was made by Mark Abbey, seconded by Henry Harper, and carried to compensate Allen Gustafson, Building/Zoning officer a \$180 stipend for his cell phone for his time in service to the Town, April 1 to December 31, 2018.

A motion was made by Darren Carlstrom, seconded by Mark Abbey and carried to accept the Financial Report prepared for the Town of Charlotte by Bahgat Laurito & Bahgat,

A motion was made by Henry Harper Jr., seconded by Darren Carlstrom, and carried to allow Mark LeBaron, Highway Superintendent to bid up to \$45,000 for a wheeled excavator at the Palmyra Municipal Auction by Tietsworth Auctions.

A motion was made by Mark Abbey, seconded by Darren Carlstrom and carried to accept the Deputy Registrar Appointment of Wanda Crossley as made by Susan L. Peacock, Town Clerk/Registrar.

A motion was made by Darren Carlstrom, seconded by Henry Harper Jr. and carried to end the Health Insurance stipend of \$1400 to Timothy Cobb Jr.

Discussion was heard on the following:

1. Clerk Report: March 2018 Revenue Collected: \$562.00  
Hours scheduled/Hours worked: 38/44.5 (+6.5 hours)
2. Tax Collector Report: March 2018 Collections: \$108,194.89
3. Justice report for February and March given by Wanda Crossley, Court Clerk. February had 37 new cases and 44 closed, March saw 31 new cases and 21 closed. Grant money will increase safety & ticket load on Route 60 in the Town. Required training in May for both the Justice and Court Clerk. There will be a Security Audit April 26th.
4. Written Assessors Report.
5. Building/Zoning Reports no violations at this time. Transition between officers is complete.
6. Highway Report: No change in CHIPS. Fixed a truck shifting problem, painting Volvo box and making "gravel grizzly bars" in house. 2 pot holes in lot reoccurring problem, may need tile for spring underneath. Also needs resealing. Loader needs replacing and a wheeled excavator may be added from auction.
7. Update on wind farm. Article 10 award should hopefully be out within 2 years to Larry Barmore and the Town's History Museum in the amount of \$37,000.
8. Update on consolidation.
9. Update on Town website: Now has more information on the wind farms and consolidation as well as other information.
10. Procedure to permanently close Town Cemeteries.
11. Randy Graham, Insurance Agent: Cyber Security Liability- Policy available, predicted costs and its importance.
12. Residents voiced concerns over the Cassadaga Wind Project - road problems with the Arkwright project.
13. Timothy Cobb Jr., Town Employee produced a County wide Town Highway wage and compensation report to board members and noted the Town of Charlotte is the 2nd lowest on the scale.
14. Town clean up day set for Saturday, May 12, 2018, 8am - 4pm. Details on website.
15. Town Clerk to order a port-o-let for the Town Park May 1 - Oct 1, 2018.
16. "Thank You for the Town's support" from the Sinclairville Free Library.

A motion to adjourn into executive session for public employee collective bargaining negotiations was made by Henry Harper Jr., seconded by Darren Carlstrom and carried.

A motion to adjourn executive session was made by Mark Abbey, seconded by Henry Harper Jr. and carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Henry Harper Jr., seconded by Darren Carlstrom and carried.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the David Vern Luce Community Building.

Respectfully submitted  
Susan L. Peacock  
Town Clerk  
4-13-18