

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Arietta held August 3rd, 2015 at the Piseco Community Hall, commencing at 6:00pm.

Others present: Henry Rogers, William Parslow-highway superintendent, Takashi Inoue, Jason Fred Knapp, Sue Casey, Ryan Germain, Mel Lascola-zoning officer, Sarah Rudes, William Wilt.

Supervisor Wilt opened the meeting at 6:00pm.

Roll Call:

Barry Baker present
Michael Knapp present
Jackie Grier present
Christy Wilt present
Richard Wilt present

Motion was offered by: Christy Wilt

To accept the minutes of the July 6th, 2015 Town Board meeting as presented by the Town Clerk.

Second was offered by: M. Knapp

Ayes: Baker, Grier, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none

TOWN OF ARIETTA

At a regular meeting of the Arietta Town Board at the Piseco Community Hall on Old Piseco Road in the Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, New York on:

July 6, 2015 at 6:00pm

Resolution # 15 - 07 - 14

Subject: **Create Historical Committee**

Resolution Offered By: Barry Baker

WHEREAS: the Town Board, Arietta of Town will hereby create a Historical Committee to work with the town board as an advisory committee to oversee the historical buildings and to promote the public relations for the history of the Town of Arietta, and

WHEREAS: the Historical Committee will consist of one town board member and will appoint the following persons to serve on the committee and the respective term of office: Fred Adcock: 1year, Paul Beaudoin: 2year, Karen Risley: 3 years, Bill Hotaling: 4years, John Simons: 5years, Bud Christ: 6years, and Bryan Rudes: 7years and

WHEREAS: the Historical Committ will act as an advisory committee and report to the Town of Arietta, Town Board with any issues that involve the historical buildings owned by the town, and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: that the Arietta Town Board hereby authorizes the creation of a Historical Committee and appoints the above listed persons to said committee effective immediately.

RESOLVED: that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by: C. Wilt and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:

Barry Baker *B*
Jacquelyn Grier *J*
Michael Knapp *K*
Christy Wilt *C*
Richard Wilt *R*

NOES:

Barry Baker _____
Jacquelyn Grier _____
Michael Knapp _____
Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt _____

ARIETTA TOWN BOARD

At a regular meeting of the Arietta Town Board at the Piseco Community Hall on Old Piseco Road in the Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, New York on:

August 3, 2015 at 6:00 pm

Resolution # 15-07-15

Subject: Establishment of Road Supervisor position

Resolution offered by: J. Grier

WHEREAS: the Town Superintendent of Highways has demonstrated a need for a Road Supervisor to oversee the highway employees when he is not available, and

WHEREAS: the position of Road Supervisor shall be filled by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Town Superintendent of Highways to perform those duties.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED: the Town Board of the Town of Arietta hereby re-establishes the position of Road Supervisor; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Town Superintendent of Highways shall fill that position and the said Road Supervisor shall report to, and is subject to the directions of, the Town Superintendent of Highways.

Seconded by: M. Knapp and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:

Barry Baker _____
Jacquelyn Grier ✓
Michael Knapp ✓
Christy Wilt ✓
Richard Wilt ✓

NOES:

Barry Baker ✓
Jacquelyn Grier _____
Michael Knapp _____
Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt _____

Heather Carlson, Town Clerk Date 8/3/ 2015

Committee reports:

Airport: Mr. R. Wilt reported that the lighting system drawn up for the airport lighting grant project is no longer being certified by the FAA. The system is 110 volts and the FAA stopped certifying them last fall. He said the new systems that are being used would cost more money than the grant allotment is so the grant was cancelled. He also reported to the board that he has been working on something the FAA calls residential through the fence. What that means is if someone has private property and they have access to the airport the FAA wants the Town to collect a fee from the property owners for that access. It has to also be an amount of money the FAA agrees to. It would be more that a tie down fee. He said that biggest issue is the people who have that access to Piseco Airport have a deeded right of way to the airport. These right of ways have existed since 1971. He will sit down with the FAA again and show them the deeds and right of ways to see if they will stop requiring the fees. If that doesn't work the Town may have to try to go to higher political power to see if they could get the FAA to drop their requirement. He said if that doesn't work the Town will not be able to accept any more grant money from the FAA. He said that someone from the FAA called and said that they would give the Town money to purchase the parcels in question but, Mr. Wilt said this is a small Town and we can't afford to be buying up property from individual property owners.

Mr. Wilt also reported that one of the gear boxes on the hanger door is leaking and may have to be replaced. The type that is leaking is obsolete so he will contact the manufacturer to see what can be done.

Street Lights: Mrs. Grier reported that the street lights are still out with no response from National Grid. She also reported that the Chamber of Commerce had the annual triathlon. She said that the numbers were about 100 but, are down a little from last year and they seem to be getting lower every year.

Youth & Website: Mrs. Wilt reported she just updated the Town's website. Also the swim lessons are going good.

Insurance: Mr. Baker reported that he had an issue with a vehicle but it was just resolved.

Snowmobiles: Mr. Knapp reported that the new tracks are being put on the groomer and they have to get a new spare tire. He said that one track is already on.

Highway: Mr. W. Parslow reported that he has received the new truck. He will put the old truck up for auction. He will also be looking for a new pickup. He could get one off State contract but it wouldn't be a Chevrolet. He would like to try to bid it first and see how what the cost would be first.

New Business:

Mr. Wilt reported that there will be a public hearing on September 8th, 2015, at the regular Town Board meeting, to present the Local Law for the updated Land Use Code of 2015.

Mr. Wilt reported he would like to change the policy for installing and removing the boards at the Piseco Lake dam. He would like it done by Town employees only and a set of criteria as when to install and remove them. He also reported that new signage needs to be put up as well as a fence to keep people off of the spillway. He said the sign format will be a design format sent to the Town from the insurance company. He said that it will be bigger than the one there now.

Mr. Wilt reported that Mari Cecil from Bernier Carr Group engineering firm will be here the week of the 17th of August 2015 to discuss the Community Hall roof. He said one involves the ceiling and one just the roof.

Mr. Wilt reported that he is in charge of the Hamilton County emergency management and he is also heading up the emergency communication tower grant. He said that there have been two sites picked for a tower. One is in Morehouse and the other is in Arietta. The company is going to be doing a balloon test sometime in late August 2015. One balloon will be flown at 200 feet, one at 70 feet and one at 40 feet. He said that APA is going to come down and take pictures of the locations to see if they fit into their application. Right now that does not include a cell tower it is only for the sheriff and fire.

Motion was offered by: J. Grier

To pay the bills of the month as follows:

General fund: no. to no.

Highway fund: no. to no.

Second was offered by: M. Knapp

Ayes: Baker, Grier, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none

Motion was offered by: C. Wilt

To accept the financial statement of the Supervisor for the month of July 2015 as submitted.

Second was offered by: B Baker

Ayes: Baker, Grier, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none

William Wilt asked if the Town could try to come up with a solution of the debris that keeps washing up on his property when the beaver dam is removed at the culvert on Wild road. Mr. W. Parslow informed the board that the permit has changed as to how the dam can be removed. Mr. Wilt said that he will be at the DEC building in Ray Brook tomorrow and he will talk to DEC to see what kind of solutions they may have. They will try to work on some kind of a solution.

Motion was offered by: J. Grier

To hold a special meeting for the purpose of discussing issues with the Piseco Lake dam and any other business that may come up. The meeting will be held on August 18th, 2015 at 6pm at the Piseco Community Hall.

Second was offered by: B Baker

Ayes: Baker, Grier, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none

The next regular meeting will be September 8th, 2015.

Motion was offered by: C. Wilt

To adjourn the meeting at 6:46pm.

Second was offered by: M. Knapp

Ayes: Baker, Grier, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none

Entered by:

Kenneth Parslow, Town Clerk