

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Arietta held October 5th, 2015 at the Piseco Community Hall, commencing at 6:00pm.

Others present: Sarah Rudes, William Edwards, Ryan Germain & William Parslow-Highway Superintendent.

Supervisor Wilt opened the meeting at 6:00pm.

Roll Call:

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

Motion was offered by: J. Grier
To accept the minutes of the September 8th & September 28th, 2015 Town Board meeting as presented by the Town Clerk.

Second was offered by: M. Knapp
Ayes: Baker, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none **Absent:** Grier

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:

October 5, 2015 at 6:00pm

Resolution # 15 - 10 - 21

Subject: Agreement with James A. Brennan Memorial Humane Society

Resolution Offered By: M. Knapp

WHEREAS: the Town of Arietta Animal Control Officer, on various occasions, has a need to take stray, unclaimed dogs to a Humane Society, and

WHEREAS: in order to use this service when needed, it is necessary to enter into an agreement with an agency, and

WHEREAS: an annual Agreement for the James A. Brennan Memorial Humane Society has been reviewed by the Town of Arietta Town Board in the amount \$500.00 to be paid out of #A3520.400 Animal Control Contractual Expense Account, and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: the Arietta Town Board will give the Supervisor permission to sign the annual agreement for 2016 with James A. Brennan Memorial Humane Society.

Seconded by: B. Baker and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:		NOES:		ABSENT:
Barry Baker	<u> x </u>	Barry Baker	<u> </u>	
Jacquelyn Grier	<u> </u>	Jacquelyn Grier	<u> </u>	Jacquelyn Grier <u> x </u>
Michael Knapp	<u> x </u>	Michael Knapp	<u> </u>	
Christy Wilt	<u> x </u>	Christy Wilt	<u> </u>	
Richard Wilt	<u> x </u>	Richard Wilt	<u> </u>	

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Resolution # 15 – 10 - 25

Subject: **Purchase: Chevrolet 3500 Silverado One Ton Pickup Truck on Chautauqua County's bid Contract**

Resolution Offered By: _____ C. Wilt _____

WHEREAS: the Town Board, Town of Arietta has received the current New York State Contract Award # E-11-14PFTH for _____ light _____ duty vehicles from the Highway Superintendent, and

WHEREAS: the highway superintendent would like to purchase on Chautauqua County's bid contract a new Chevrolet 3500 Silverado One Ton Pickup Truck with a Nine Foot Dump Body, Eight and One Half Foot Stainless Steel Fisher V-Plow for \$42,396.15 and separately a Seven One Half Foot Stainless Steel Highway Sander from Tracy Road Equipment for a price of \$6,334.00 as outlined on the attached spec sheet for the total cost of \$48,730.15, and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: the Town Board after review will authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase the above equipment on Chautauqua County's bid contract and from Tracy Road Equipment as per the attached spec sheet.

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

AYES:		NOES:		ABSENT:
Barry Baker	_____x	Barry Baker	_____	
Jacquelyn Grier	_____	Jacquelyn Grier	_____	Jacquelyn Grier <u>x</u>
Michael Knapp	_____x	Michael Knapp	_____	
Christy Wilt	_____x	Christy Wilt	_____	
Richard Wilt	_____x	Richard Wilt	_____	

_____, Town Clerk Date October 5th, 2015

Motion was offered by: C. Wilt
To hold three special Town Board meetings for the purpose of reviewing the 2016 budget and any other Town business that may come up on Wednesday October 14, Monday October 19th and Monday October 26th 2015 at 6:00pm at the Piseco Community Hall.

Second was offered by: B. Baker
Ayes: Baker, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none **Absent:** Grier

Committee reports:

Airport: Mr. Wilt reported that the State would like to put up a weather station in every county in the state to use as an early warning system. They would like to put the station in Hamilton County at the Piseco Airport. The project is being done by Albany State Collage and they have already surveyed the location. They would like to put it all the way in the back by the earth quake monitoring station. They will need to erect a forty foot tower along the tree line which will have to be approved by the FAA. The Collage will do all negotiations with the FAA and any other entities that will be involved. The weather station can be put on the Town's website and it will have snow accumulations every 15 minutes, rain fall every 15 minutes, temperature, barometer, wind speed at ground level and cloud structure. If the FAA agree to it then it will be certified by the FAA and pilots can go online and look at the weather conditions. The State will take care of all maintenance and up keep. He will find out more and he will inform the board when he receives contracts.

He also reported that there was a NYSDOT inspection earlier in the month and they gave the airport a nine out of ten rating. He said it is the same as it has been for the last ten years. He isn't sure why they do it except for the money they put into the grants but, it is basically the same inspection that the FAA does.

Youth & Website: Mrs. Wilt reported the changed title on the Town website. Mr. Wilt asked her to look into the ski lesson program for this winter.

Insurance: Mr. Baker reported he has made initial contact with insurance agents to get budget numbers. He hasn't heard back from them. Mr. Wilt said he received correspondence from Blue Cross on Friday. He said right now it looks like a 12.8% increase for next year. He would like to get them to come to a Town Board meeting to go over different plans.

Snowmobiles & Town Buildings: Mr. Knapp reported they have a spare tire for the groomer so they don't have to order a new one. Mr. Baker said that the new groomer hitch is in the hands of the fabricator. Mr. Knapp also reported he stopped and saw Chris Rhodes and Mr. Rhodes signed the paperwork for the use of the Evergreen Trailer Park property for snowmobile trails. Mr. Rhodes made it contingent that the Town list Rhodes Construction and Evergreen Lake on the insurance policy. Mr. Knapp said that the new bridge can now be constructed at the new site on Mr. Devitt's property but, the new poles need to be ordered. Mr. Wilt told him to order them. Mr. Knapp asked if the Town was going to join NYS Snowmobile Association so the Town has an extra layer of insurance that they provide to their members. Mr. Wilt said that the paperwork was sent in today to join.

Mr. Wilt reported that he is just about done with the employee worksheets and he will email them to the board members. He tried to incorporate too much information on two pages. He removed some things and put it all on one page.

Mr. Wilt reported he sent the draft nepotism policy to the lawyer who sent back a shorter version. Mr. Wilt gave a copy to each board member to review and they can be discussed at the budget meetings. He also asked Mrs. Wilt to put a copy on the Town website.

Mr. Wilt reported that Mr. Lascola and he met with Mary Cecil the engineer doing the roof project for the community hall. The original cost estimate that she had was \$257,382.00. He said that with a standard metal roof can be used or she said that a standing seam metal roof could be used but, the cost for the standing seam is a quite a lot more. With some changes that were added like fixing the two roof pitches to one pitch, taking the chimney down to below the roof and installing a metal one up past the roof, putting a walkway above the ceiling over the upstairs and moving the insulation off the drop ceiling, bringing it up to code at R48 in the attic area and spraying foam insulation on the eve rafters the new cost estimate is \$323,433.00. The new estimate is for a standard metal roof. Mr. Wilt will have Mr. Lascola come to a future meeting to help explain the changes.

Mr. Wilt reported that the inspection was done on the Piseco Lake Dam. There are some preliminary short term fixes that need to be done like new signage, fixing cracks, fixing voids in apron, fixing leak, adding more rip rap on left and along the toe, installing a six foot fence on both sides of the dam and removing all trees within twenty feet of the dam. The engineer wanted tongue and groove boards to be used in the dam but, Mr. Wilt said he can't imagine using them because they would swell up and they wouldn't be able to pull them out when it was necessary.

Motion was offered by: B. Baker

To allow the Supervisor to ask the engineer for a price on engineering the short term fixes of the Piseco Lake Dam as per the engineer's inspection report.

Second was offered by: M. Knapp

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

Mr. Baker reported on the joint meeting with the Piseco Common School board in reference to the Town moving their offices to the school building. He said the committee was in favor of the move after they answered all of the questions they were given. He said that the two boards now have to decide if they want to move forward and if so, to contact an engineer to look at the school building and community hall to determine size and options. Mr. Wilt said he would have something written up as a resolution to move forward by the next meeting.

Mr. Wilt reported that the budget for 2016 is up in a few places like personal which is 1.75%, general fund under capital expense due to money for a new garbage truck, in highway capital projects about \$80,000.00. He feels that the budget can be kept under the 2% cap again this year but it might not be possible in future years.

Mr. W. Parslow asked the board which roads they would like to pave this fall. He had proposed paving Outlet road, Wild road and Wayne Smith road. He said that the Wayne Smith road needs a lot of digging that should be done before it is paved. They decided to pave Outlet road and Wild road.

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October 5, 2015 at 6:00pm

Subject: **Accept 2016 Preliminary Budget**

Resolution Offered By: B. Baker

WHEREAS: the Town Board, Town of Arietta has reviewed the 2016 Tentative Budget as submitted by the Arietta Town Supervisor in September 2015, and

WHEREAS: the Arietta Town Board after review of the Tentative Budget will carry these number over with any noted changes for the Preliminary Budget and will accept as the 2016 Preliminary Budget at the October 5, 2015 Town Board Meeting, and

WHEREAS: it is necessary to schedule a Public Hearing for the purpose of public comment on the proposed budget before adopting, and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: the Town Board of Arietta accepts the 2016 Preliminary Budget and will hold a Public Hearing for the purpose of adopting the 2016 Budget.

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

AYES:

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

NOES:

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

ABSENT:

Jacquelyn Grier x

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Mr. Baker asked Mr. W. Parslow if he had turned in his annual inventory in and did they include the value of each item. Mr. W. Parslow said that some of the items did but it's hard to put a value on something twenty years old.

Mr. Knapp reported that Chris Rhodes asked him to have the Town install snow fencing along the new trail he made this year in the Evergreen Park pit area to keep snowmobiles on the trail. He asked if it could be green instead of orange but, Mr. Knapp said he wasn't sure. Mr. Wilt suggested Mr. Knapp look in the NYS snowmobile trail guide lines to see what they say.

Mr. W. Parslow reported that NYS is now using a GIS system to measure the length of the town and county roads. After they did this they sent him a notice that the Town of Arietta has lost .71 miles of roadway that they are able to receive money from the CHIPS program. He said that .5 miles of that is at the Piseco airport. He said they don't take into effect that there are hills on many roadways which will increase the distance of a roadway. He said that the Town can fight this if they want to. Mr. Wilt said that the .5 miles at the Piseco Airport is due to the FAA making the Town move the gate that used to be way down the access road out to in front of the office building. The board decided not to worry about the other .21 miles.

Next regular meeting will be held November 2, 2015 at 6:00pm.

Motion was offered by: C. Wilt

To adjourn the meeting at 7:12pm.

Second was offered by: B. Baker

Ayes: Baker, Knapp, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.

Nays: none **Absent:** Grier

Entered by:

Kenneth Parslow, Town Clerk