

**TOWN OF ARIETTA
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Piseco, NY 12139**

Public Meeting Dated:
Monday July 10, 2017- 6:00 P.M.
Piseco School

Unapproved Minutes - The Town of Arietta Zoning Board of Appeals meeting was called to order by Chairman Frank Sczerzenie at 6:10 PM.

Members present: Frank Sczerzenie, Chairman Kevin Dorr Bill Hotaling Chris Laver Secretary Marie Buanno Zoning Officer Mel LaScola

Members absent: Tim Morris

Chairman Frank Sczerzenie brought the meeting to order and had everyone sign in. This will be a record of which meetings ZBA members attend and will also serve as proof the training sessions were attended so credit is given.

Kevin Dorr made a motion to waive the reading of the May 8, 2017 minutes and to accept the minutes as written. 2nd by Chris Laver. All were in favor 4 – 0.

There was no quorum for the June 12, 2017 meeting. Chris Laver made a motion to waive the reading of those minutes and to accept as written. 2nd by Frank Sczerzenie. They were in favor 2 – 0. Kevin Dorr and Bill Hotaling did not attend the June meeting so they did not vote.

Chairman Frank Sczerzenie continued with an online power point presentation that centered around a United States Supreme Court Decision concerning local zoning laws. The decision (a 5-3 vote) made it harder for property owners to get compensation from the government when zoning regulations restrict the use of part of the land owners' property. He cited opinion going back to the 1920's by many including property rights advocates through the years and noted this is looked at as a big win for government.

Under ZBA Duties and Responsibilities, SEQR Action Types I & II were completed at the previous meeting in June. It was noted that Interpretations are done by the ZBA and Site planning and subdivisions are done by the Planning Board. Local Law is done by the Town Board.

The Importance of Comprehensive Planning to Zoning was covered. Most involves the Planning Board. The Comprehensive Plan is assurance that the zoning regulations are made in accordance to what the master plan is. Zoning votes on what is best for the whole community. The needs of the community outweighs special interest groups. Generally the ZBA would not deviate from the master plan. Court cases concerning this were reviewed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Dorr 2nd by Chris Laver. All were in favor 4 – 0.
Our next meeting should be August 14, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie C. Buanno