

Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting of the Town of Arietta held January 25th, 2016 at the Piseco Community Hall, commencing at 6:00pm.

Others present: George Sloan, Brian Rudes, Ryan Germain-Highway superintendent.
Supervisor Wilt opened the meeting at 6:00pm.

Roll Call:

Barry Baker present
Michael Knapp present
Sarah Rudes present
Christy Wilt present
Richard Wilt present

TOWN OF ARIETTA

At a special 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:

January 25, 2016 at 6:00pm

Resolution # 16 – 01 - 05

Subject: **Appointment Planning Board Member**

Resolution Offered By: S. Rudes

WHEREAS: the Town of Arietta has received Sarah Rudes's resignation from the Arietta Planning Board effective January 1, 2016, and

WHEREAS: the Arietta Planning Board has submitted Sheila Crouse for consideration to finish Sarah Rudes vacant term ending on February 28, 2020, and

WHEREAS: it is necessary that the Arietta Town Board appoint Sheila Crouse to complete Sarah Rudes vacant term that ends February 28, 2020, and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: that the Town Board, Town of Arietta does hereby appoint Sheila Crouse to the Arietta Planning Board for the above term.

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

AYES:

Barry Baker X
Michael Knapp X
Sarah Rudes X
Christy Wilt X
Richard Wilt X

NOES:

Barry Baker _____
Michael Knapp _____
Sarah Rudes _____
Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt _____

Date January 25th, 2016

Town Clerk

Mr. Wilt asked Brian Rudes to give an overview of the Consolidated Funding Grant that the Town is trying to get some money from. The grant is a two million dollars state wide and would be usable for two operations in the fight against invasive species getting into Piseco Lake. The two things that the grant would fund are Boat Decontamination Station and Boat Stewards. The following resolution gives the amounts of the grant and the Town's share in the process. The Town Board thanked Mr. Rudes for giving of his time to do the extensive work involved in the grant application process.

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At a special 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:

January 25, 2016 at 6:00pm

Resolution # 16 – 01 - 06

Subject: **NYS Consolidated Funding Application**

Resolution Offered By: B. Baker

WHEREAS: NYS is offering a Consolidated Funding Grant for projects meeting the requirements for a State Share 75% and Town Share 25%, and

WHEREAS: the Town of Arietta has received the application and would like to apply for two separate projects under this grant. The first application would be for a Boat Decontamination Station the total amount for this project is \$119,000 which the State Share is \$89,250 and the Town Share is \$29,750. The second application would be for Boat Stewards the total amount for this project is \$139,500 which the State Share is \$100,000 and the Town Share is \$39,500.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: that the Town Board, Town of Arietta does hereby authorize the Town of Arietta Supervisor to execute all documents to apply for and accept the NYS Consolidated Funding Grant for both of projects as listed above.

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

AYES:

Barry Baker X
Michael Knapp X
Sarah Rudes X
Christy Wilt X
Richard Wilt X

NOES:

Barry Baker _____
Michael Knapp _____
Sarah Rudes _____
Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt _____

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Mr. Knapp asked if anyone attended the meeting today dealing with the Town being licensed for games of chance. Mr. Wilt said that we would wait until next meeting and he will have the information in writing. Ken and Marion Parslow went to the meeting and Mr. Wilt has the Town attorney is working on it and he should have the information by the next board meeting.

Old Business:

Mr. Wilt reported that Mr. Lascola the zoning officer was unable to be here tonight so the discussion of the Community Hall roof project will wait until next meeting. He also said that Mary the engineer from Bernier-Carr will be at the next meeting to go over the plans with the board.

Mr. Wilt reported that Mary from Bernier-Carr will also go over the plans for moving the Town offices to the Piseco School. She will have the preliminary plans and they will show two different parts to the move. The first will to be the things necessary to make the move of the offices without any mechanical parts and the second part will to be to do the mechanical parts of the move like making the court room. He said it can take up to six months to get a permit from the State education department to do any mechanical changes to the school building that is why it will be done after the move is made.

Mr. Wilt reported that the grant the Town received for the Piseco airport engineering to fix the lighting along the runway. He said that in 2011 the FAA instituted new rules for grants received in 2015. The new rule is called "Residential Through The Fence" and he said that in 2012 the Town fixed the problem of the Through the Fence issue by installing a video camera at the airport that satisfied the FAA. He said that we have the only federally funded airport in New York State that doesn't have a fence around the perimeter of their airport. He said there is a problem with the funding for the grant for the lighting. The Town applied for the grant in 2014 so the rules for the 2015 grants shouldn't apply but, when they tried to access the money in the bank account they were told that it wasn't available due to the issues with the 2015 rules. He said that the FAA agrees that it shouldn't be an issue but there is what they called a quagmire with the process. Mr. Wilt said that he is going to New York City on this Friday January 29th to get it straightened out if possible. He also said he will try to get the issue of people who have a deeded right-of-way to the runway straightened out as well. He said that the FAA wants the Town to charge them a fee to use the access that they have in their deeds stating it is a free access.

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