

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Arietta held January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Piseco Town Offices located at the Piseco Common School building commencing at 5:00pm.

Others present: Supervisor Wilt opened the meeting at 5:00pm.

Roll Call:

Jacqui Grier present  
Michael Knapp present  
Sarah Rudes present  
Christy Wilt present  
Richard Wilt present

Motion was offered by:

To accept the minutes of the January 7<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Town Board meetings as submitted by the Town Clerk.

Second was offered by:

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

**TOWN OF ARIETTA**

At a regular meeting of the Arietta Town Board at the Piseco Common School on 1722 State Route 8 in the Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, New York on:

February 4, 2019 at 5:00pm

Resolution # 19 – 02 - 11

**Subject: Resolution Imploring AATV, Adirondack Inter-County, AOT, NYCOM, NYSAC, and NYS to Come Together With a Plan to Provide Cell Coverage for all NYS Residents and Visitors**

Resolution Offered By: M. Knapp

**WHEREAS:** Cellular Service and the ability to use individual wireless devices is no longer a luxury, and

**WHEREAS:** every area of the State, irrespective of financial means or the economics has a right to this key piece of technology infrastructure, and

**WHEREAS:** this infrastructure drives commerce and tourism, is a part of education, and is more and more the backbone of emergency response, and

**WHEREAS:** there are still large tracts of NYS which are still deprived of this utility, and

**WHEREAS:** we as government officials have an obligation to provide for the public safety, the education, as well as the equitable treatment and opportunity for all of our citizens, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** the Town of Arietta, Town Board hereby calls upon all local governments to stand together, individually and through our associations to insist that the time is now to move NYS ahead of the nation in terms of this critical technology, and

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:** that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Flanagan, Assembly Speaker Heastie, all the Adirondack State Legislators, Adirondack Inter-County, AATV, NYSAC, AOT, NYCOM, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board, the eight Towns within Hamilton County, the Village of Speculator, and the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors.

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

AYES:		NOES:	ABSENT:
Jacqui Grier	<u>X</u>	Jacqui Grier	_____
Michael Knapp	<u>X</u>	Michael Knapp	_____
Sarah Rudes	<u>X</u>	Sarah Rudes	_____
Christy Wilt	<u>X</u>	Christy Wilt	_____
Richard Wilt	<u>X</u>	Richard Wilt	_____

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Town Clerk

Date February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Committee Reports:**

**Snowmobile Trails & Town Buildings & Grounds: Mr. Knapp** reported he received good reports on some of the trails. He also reported there has been a washout down behind Piseco Lake Lodge on the short bridge so they closed the trail. People have driven around the signs and they took the ribbon down. He said they have a plan to put a temporary mat across it for now. Mr. Wilt reported the Town has hired four people to help drag the trails so the trails will get better. Mr. Knapp said they had to put two quarts of transmission oil in the BR groomer and they can't find any leaks. They also replaced the windshield and heater. Mr. Wilt said the bills will reflect they put about \$2000.00 in the BR this month. He said it's a 1997 and it's time to start looking for a new one soon. He will start looking and will bring back pricing to the next month's meeting. Mrs. Wilt will also look for possible grants for a new machine.

**Recreation, Website & Chamber: Mrs. Wilt** had nothing to report.

**Internal Management / Insurance: Mrs. Grier** had nothing to report.

**Airport: Mr. Wilt** reported he sent in the pre-application for the lighting at the airport, but it doesn't look like it got in on time due to the government shut down. He feels it will be a project for next year.

**Lake, Dam & Invasive: Mrs. Rudes** reported Mr. Wilt has been persistent to try to get an agreement from Schnabel to give a proposal for specifications on the new fence that is needed at the Piseco Lake Dam. He said he will be getting a little stronger tomorrow. Mrs. Rudes also reported it is still up in the air of who is going to run the boat wash station at the Popular Point Campsite. The person who the original talks were with has retired and now it sounds like the State wants to purchase another boat wash station to put there. That is not good as we already have one to use there. She also feels the board needs to follow up on the Town running the day use area. Mr. Wilt feels that it can be worked out with the boat wash station issue.

**New Business:**

**Mr. Knapp** informed the board that he will not be running for the office of Councilman this year. He will be off the board at the end of the year.

**Mr. Wilt** reported to the board that if the Town is going to continue sanding driveways the highway needs more equipment because it can't be done in a timely manner with what they have now. Mr. Small suggested purchasing a stainless steel sander for one of the pickups. It will cost about \$5400.00.

*Motion was offered by:* S. Rudes

To allow the highway superintendent to purchase a new stainless steel sander for use in a highway pickup truck.

*Second was offered by:* M. Knapp

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

**Mr. Wilt, Mr. LaScola & Mr. Small** will be writing up a Request for Proposal for the new highway garage.

**Mr. LaScola** said he needs to wait on the design for the fence at the dam from the engineers.

**Motion was offered by:** J. Grier

To pay the bills of the month as follows:

General fund: no.67 to no.102 in the amount of \$68,082.14.

General fund utilities: no.105 to no. 106 in the amount of \$871.51.

General fund utilities: no.104 in the amount of \$1965.50.

Highway fund: no.56 to no.66 in the amount of \$10,455.93.

**Second was offered by:** M. Knapp

**Ayes:** Grier, Knapp, Rudes, 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 January 2019 as submitted.

**Second was offered by:** S. Rudes

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

**Mrs. Wilt** will send a copy of the Morehouse lease agreement for their rec center to the board for their review to get ideas for the future agreement for the Piseco Community Hall usage.

**Christy O'Connor** gave her concerns of the condition of the snowmobile trails this winter and her concerns of the money and time spent on tourism in the town. She suggested sending her a report when the trails are groomed so she can put it on her website or Facebook page. That way people will know when they are groomed. Mrs. Grier will send her when the trails have been groomed.

**Motion was offered by:** J. Grier  
To adjourn the meeting at 5:45pm

**Second was offered by:** S. Rudes

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

**Entered by:**

**Kenneth Parslow, Town Clerk**