

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Arietta held September 7th, 2021 Piseco Community Hall commencing at 5:00pm.

Others present: Steve Whorle, Chris Rhodes, William Hotaling – Assessor, Brian Rudes, Mel LaScola – Zoning Officer.

Supervisor Wilt opened the meeting at 5:00pm.

Roll Call:

Jacqui Grier present
Sarah Rudes present
Douglas Stobo present
Christy Wilt present
Richard Wilt present

Motion was offered by: S. Rudes
To accept the minutes of the August 2nd, 2021 Town Board meeting as submitted by the Town Clerk.

Second was offered by: D. Stobo
Ayes: Grier, Rudes, Stobo, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. **Nays:** none

TOWN OF ARIETTA

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

September 7, 2021 at 5:00pm

Resolution # 21-09-28

Subject: Snowmobile Grooming Contracts and Apply for Grant Funding

Resolution Offered By: _____ J. Grier _____

WHEREAS: the Town Board, Town of Arietta has applied in the past for grant funding for the grooming and maintenance of the Arietta Snowmobile Trails with NY Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, and

WHEREAS: the Town Board, Town of Arietta has decided to reapply for the 2021/2022 snowmobile season and continue to contract out four (4) different sections of trail and hire employees to maintain the remaining sections of trail, and

WHEREAS: these annual contracts are a necessary part of the Town’s application requesting grant money from NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historical Preservation for trail clearing, maintenance and grooming, and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: the Town Board authorizes to issue the contract agreements for the 2021/2022 grooming season to the two snowmobile clubs and the Town of Inlet for four (4) trail sections and give the Town Supervisor permission to sign the necessary documents to apply for grant funding and execute the contracts.

Seconded by: _____ D. Stobo _____ and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:
Jacquelyn Grier <u> X </u>	Jacquelyn Grier _____	Jacquelyn Grier _____
Sarah Rudes <u> X </u>	Sarah Rudes _____	Sarah Rudes _____
Douglas Stobo <u> X </u>	Douglas Stobo _____	Douglas Stobo _____
Christy Wilt <u> X </u>	Christy Wilt _____	Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt <u> X </u>	Richard Wilt _____	Richard Wilt _____

_____, Town Clerk Date September 7th, 2021

TOWN OF ARIETTA

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

September 7, 2021 at 5:00 pm

Resolution # 21-09-29

Subject: Health Insurance

Resolution offered by: S. Rudes

WHEREAS: Marion Parslow started employment for the Town of Arietta on 7-11-2005 as a part-time employee with the intent at a later date to fill the vacant full-time position. She took the Hamilton County Civil Service exam for Account Clerk/Computer Aide on 10-13-2007. Then on 4-7-2008 was appointed into a provisional full-time position and full time permanent on 6-2-2008, and

WHEREAS: the official policy of the Town, as set forth in the Town Employee Handbook in 2004 entitled eligible full-time employees of the Town who had 10 years of continuous service, are 55 or older, and retire into the NYS Retirement System with health coverage. On July 2, 2007 at the town board meeting resolution 07-07-27 was passed revising medical insurance for retirees to have 20 years of continuous service effective as of January 1, 2008, and

WHEREAS: at the April 30, 2007 town board meeting it was noted that existing full-time employees would still fall into the 10-year category and new employees would fall into the 20-year category, and

WHEREAS: in the past each application for benefits would be determined on an individual basis according to the facts presented to the Board and as Marion Parslow was hire in 2005 with the intent to fill the vacant fulltime position, which was prolonged, fell between changes made to the rules of health insurance benefits during her 16 years of employment as an account clerk/computer aide, (see the attached documents), and

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED: the Town Board, Town of Arietta after review of the facts as presented will authorize Marion Parslow medical insurance coverage at the time of her retirement into the NYS Retirement System.

Seconded by: J. Grier and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:
Jacquelyn Grier <u>X</u>	Jacquelyn Grier _____	Jacquelyn Grier _____
Sarah Rudes <u>X</u>	Sarah Rudes _____	Sarah Rudes _____
Douglas Stobo _____	Douglas Stobo <u>X</u>	Douglas Stobo _____
Christy Wilt <u>X</u>	Christy Wilt _____	Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt _____	Richard Wilt <u>X</u>	Richard Wilt _____

_____, Town Clerk Date September 7th, 2021

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:

September 7, 2021 at 5:00 pm

Resolution # 21 - 09 - 30

Subject: **Authorize to Award Construction Observation and Administration Services for Runway 4-22 Rehabilitation**

Resolution Offered By: R. Wilt

WHEREAS: the Town of Arietta has an agreement with the FAA and NYSDOT to continue with the scheduled projects outlined in the Airport Capital Improvement Plan for Piseco Airport, and

WHEREAS: the scheduled project for 2021 is the Construction of Runway 4-22 Rehabilitation, and

WHEREAS: The Town of Arietta having received the 100% FAA funded “Rehabilitate Runway 4-22, Replace Runway 4 PAPI – Construction” grant has authorized said project, and

WHEREAS: McFarland Johnson was previously selected by The Town of Arietta for Professional Engineering Services at the Piseco Airport, and signed to a 5-year term agreement on April 1, 2019; and,

WHEREAS: McFarland Johnson has provided a scope and fee for the Construction Observation and Administration Services for Runway 4-22 Rehabilitation in the amount of \$174,658.00; and

WHEREAS: Said scope and fee was reviewed and approved by the FAA.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: that the Town Board, Town of Arietta approves the and accepts McFarland Johnson, Inc. as the engineer for Construction Observation and Administration Services for Runway 4-22 Rehabilitation in the amount of \$174,658.00, and

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Town Board, Town of Arietta does authorize the Town Supervisor to execute all necessary documents and contracts on behalf of the Town of Arietta with the above engineer for the Construction Observation and Administration Services for Runway 4-22 Rehabilitation.

Seconded by: D. Stobo and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:
Jacquelyn Grier <u> X </u>	Jacquelyn Grier _____	Jacquelyn Grier _____
Sarah Rudes <u> X </u>	Sarah Rudes _____	Sarah Rudes _____
Douglas Stobo <u> x </u>	Douglas Stobo _____	Douglas Stobo _____
Christy Wilt <u> X </u>	Christy Wilt _____	Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt <u> x </u>	Richard Wilt _____	Richard Wilt _____

_____, Town Clerk Date September 7th, 2021

Committee reports:

Snowmobile Trails: Mrs. Grier reported the snowmobile club will be having a meeting on September 14th, 2021.

Town Buildings & Grounds: Mr. Stobo reported after the board receiving the estimate for the museum roof Mr. LaScola looked at it. Mr. LaScola reported that the purlins won’t have to be replaced as they are in good condition. Mr. Wilt said it will have to go to bid so the engineer will have to make out the design and specifications so it can go out to bid. Mr. LaScola will call the engineer who is doing the highway garage design to get a proposal.

Mr. Wilt reported the insurance claim estimate for the SRE building at the airport from hail damage was around \$4100.00. He suggested that the replacement siding should be a high-grade vinyl siding. He said there is going to be around \$49,000.00 coming from the COVID Act money. Mr. LaScola suggested using something like cement board for the first three to four feet up from the ground to guard against the snow coming off of the roof.

Website & Chamber: Mrs. Wilt reported there were 8 children on average taking swimming lessons. Also, the golf lessons are almost over. She also said the Chamber has cancelled the beer and wine fest due to lack of help.

Lake/ Dam/ Invasive: Mrs. Rudes reported she talked with David Railsback about the proposal for the dam and the alternatives the Town could look at as well as ball park costs. He said he will get going on it.

Motion was offered by: S. Rudes

To allow the Supervisor to go out to bid for the installation of the new fence at the Piseco Lake Dam on State Route 10.

Second was offered by: D. Stobo

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

Highway Superintendent: Mr. Small reported the new truck he ordered will be done sometime this week or next week. He gave board a letter about trees along Pawling Road reported as dangerous. He looked into the legal right-of-way for the road. He said after contacting the Association of Towns and they said there is case law that is split right down the middle. One says that what ever the Town has maintained ditched to ditched for the past 10 years is what the right-of-way is. The other half of the case law is Article 186 of the Consolidated Law that after 10 years of a town maintaining a highway it automatically becomes a 49 ½ foot or three rod road right-of-way. He said he would like a resolution from the Town board recognizing the local law that was enacted in order to take the trees down. Mr. Wilt will have a resolution for the next meeting.

Zoning: Mr. LaScola reported that DEC and the APA are both looking into the property off of the East Shore Road. He also contacted DEC about a property on Old Piseco Road that someone is cutting trees next to the lake.

Assessor: Mr. Hotaling reported he contacted Jim Basile to get a quote for him helping Mr. Hotaling to do a reevaluation of the Town. Mr. Basile said he would do it over two years for a cost of \$34,000.00. Mr. Hotaling will do the field review and Mr. Basile will input the information into his new excel computer program that will correlate sales throughout Hamilton County to the Town of Arietta to get the proper assessments for Arietta.

Mr. Hotaling reported that a committed of Steve Whorle, Craig Small, Doug Stobo and himself to look into the EMS shortage situation in the Town. They have had three meetings. Mr. Hotaling contacted Indian Lake to see if they would contract with Arietta give coverage at night, but they will not do that. The committed also talked about having an EMT work for the highway department and they would be on call during the day. Steve Whorle said he contacted to Steve Swan the Town's insurance agent and they will get together in the future to discuss options. There are two young people taking the EMT classes. Steve Whorle contacted GAVAC and they would contract with the Town for 24 hour 7 days a week for a cost of \$350,000.00 for an ambulance, driver and EMT. They would add a paramedic for a total cost of \$500,000.00 a year. The idea of creating a separate taxing district in the Town was discussed also.

Mrs. Rudes asked if the Town board meetings could be streamed live on the internet. Mrs. Wilt will look into it.

Mr. Wilt reported he will have a resolution to create a Town law to allow the Town of Arietta to Opt-Out of the Retail Dispensary and On-Site Consumption License Provisions of the Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act.

Motion was offered by: S. Rudes

To pay the bills as follows:

General Fund: no. 461 to no. 481 for a total: \$12,675.22

Utilities General fund no. 449 to no. 451 for a total: \$1,294.73

Utilities General fund no. 452 for a total: \$1,528.71

Utilities General fund no. 459 for a total: \$586.90

Highway Fund: no. 482 to 494 for a total: \$7,654.34

Second was offered by: C. Wilt

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

Motion was offered by: S Rudes

To accept the financial statements of the Supervisor for the month of August 2021 as submitted

Second was offered by: D. Stobo

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

Next regular meeting will be October 4th, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

Town Clerk Mr. Parslow reported that the Piseco Company, Inc. dba the Irondequoit Inn is seeking to modify its current liquor license from a Seasonal Hotel license permitting the sale of wine, beer and cider on a seasonal basis to a Hotel Wine license permitting the sale of wine, beer and cider on a year-round basis.

Motion was offered by: D. Stobo

To adjourn the meeting at 5:53pm.

Second was offered by: C. Wilt

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

Entered by:

Kenneth Parslow

Town Clerk