

TOWN OF ARIETTA PLANNING BOARD
Piseco, NY 12139

Meeting Dated: Tuesday July 12, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.
Piseco School

Meeting Minutes

Members present:

Mary Kiewicz
Ken Kull
Bryan Rudes
Bob Thomson

Members absent:

Sheila Crouse

Alternate/Secretary Marie Buanno Others present: Zoning Officer Mel LaScola, Marcus Magee

Ken Kull made a motion to accept the May 10, 2022 minutes as written. 2nd by Bob Thomson. The vote in favor was 3 – 0. Bryan Rudes did not vote as he was not present at the May meeting. There was no meeting in June. Mary mentioned the only thing she hasn't had a chance to do is to see if Barry Baker wanted the ZBA to work on short term rentals for the codes book. She has no problem doing it but thought the ZBA might work on it.

Marcus Magee attended. He told the members that he and his cousin had purchased the Avery deer farm on Route 10 about five years ago. They have been staying in tents on the property when they hunt and have decided they would like to build a hunting and fishing camp. They have consulted the APA as the project would need an APA permit to proceed in an area designated as Resource Management on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map. (42 acres per dwelling lot) The APA contacted Mary Kiewicz to get Planning Board input. (That letter, notice of application and map of the property are attached to these minutes). The codes book states a hunting camp can only be a maximum of 500 square feet. Mr. Magee wants to build a 625 square foot camp. Since the property is zoned SR1 (single family residence), the building can be 625 square feet as it is considered a building, not a hunting camp. The APA would like it done taking into consideration the SR1 with the possibility of installing a septic system down the road. They could do this but have no plans to do at this time. Mr. Magee stated a hunting camp would not have to adhere to strict building codes. He wanted to know if they would be held to a higher standard since it will not be considered a hunting camp. For example, with a hunting camp, there can be no utilities. Zoning Officer Mel LaScola said he will go by APA guidance and work with the Magees to come to an agreement. The project will be one mile off the road, 265 feet from the stream. It will be a single story with a loft on piers. Bryan Rudes made a motion for Mary Kiewicz to complete the declaration to the APA in support of this project, 2nd by Bob Thomson. All were in favor 4 – 0.

Mary noted that Chris Rhodes is still working on the paperwork for the APA concerning the zoning designation change for the “stump dump”.

Mary received a Request for Consultation (attached to these minutes) concerning the salt storage shed. The ZBA has already approved a variance for this.

Mary received a Jurisdictional Determination from the APA (attached to these minutes) that was sent to National Grid concerning power poles being installed in the Town of Arietta. Although it does not need our approval, it is just stating poles cannot exceed 40 feet without APA approval and projects concerning wetlands need to go through them as well. It is a Class B project.

Mary received a notification from the Hamilton County Clerk that a map without the Planning Board stamp was filed concerning the “Stump Dump” on Old Piseco Road. The notification is attached to these minutes.

There is no new information on the Tannery project.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ken Kull. Seconded by Bob Thomson. All were in favor 4 – 0.

Our next meeting will be August 9, 2022.

There are four attachments to these minutes – Three pages from the APA concerning the Magee project, a one page Request for Consultation from the APA concerning the salt storage shed, A two page Jurisdictional Determination from the APA concerning power poles and a one page County Clerk map filing notification.

Respectfully submitted, Marie C. Buanno