

TOWN OF ARIETTA
Town Board Meeting
March 18, 2024

Supervisor Rhodes opened the meeting at 5:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Jacqui Grier present
Douglas Stobo present
John Rajca present
Christy Wilt present
Chris Rhodes present
Craig Small- Superintendent of Highways-present
Mel LaScola- Zoning Officer-present
Bill Hotaling-Assessor- absent

OTHERS PRESENT:

Marie Buanno

Supervisor Rhodes asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the March 4,2024 meeting as presented by the Town Clerk. The motion was offered by Jacqui Grier and seconded by Doug Stobo. All members were in favor. Motion passed.

Agenda
March 18, 2024
at Piseco Common School
Town of Arietta

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Motion to approve minutes for the March 4, 2024 meetings
- Resolutions
- **Snowmobile Trails – Grier**
- **Town Buildings / Grounds - Stobo**
- **Recreation / Website / Campsite - Wilt**
- **Lake / Dam / Cemetery - Rajca**
- **Finance / Airport / Internal Management / Insurance - Rhodes**
- **Superintendent / Report – Small**
- **Codes and Zoning – Lascola**

- **Old Business**
 - Frontier Lease
 - IT Services

- **New Business**
 - Open Groomers Bids
- Motion to accept the bills
- Public Comment
- Designation of next Meeting Monday, April 1,2024

- Motion to adjourn

COMMITTEES:

SNOWMOBILE TRAILS: J. Grier Nothing new to report. Snowmobile trail groomer bids will be opened tonight.

TOWN BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Discussion regarding the old Equipment Storage Building. Doug and Craig will inspect the building and make a list of what repairs need to be done before outside painting is started.

INTERNAL MANAGEMENT/INSURANCE, RECREATION, WEBSITE CAMPSITES: Christy Wilt reported that the town sign that stood by the Oxbow cottages was **not** on private property. It was determined that it was in the state right of way. This sign can be replaced, after a DOT permit is obtained. Barney's Signs has finished the sign at the intersection of Rt 10 and Rt8. Christy stated that Marie Buanno has gotten volunteers to help with the Community Pride Day. The board thanked her for her help. Plans for an open house for the new Equipment Storage Building was put on hold at this time. Christy has not gotten any response from the DEC regarding the Poplar Point boat launch.

LAKE/DAM/INVASIVE/CAMPSITES: Johnny Rajca had nothing new to report.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT: Large trash days will be June 6, 2024 and August 8, 2024. Christy will put this information on the web site.

AIRPORT AND FINANCE: Chris reported that they are still finalizing the FAA paperwork regarding the siding work to be done on the SRE building. Chris has been approached by land owners who are interested in building their own hanger on the airport. A 50'x 56' building is what was suggested. They would be responsible for an APA Jurisdictional Inquiry, permits, snow removal etc. Chris asked Johnny Rajca and Doug Stobo to review the lease agreement that the town is using currently and rework what needs to be added/subtracted. This will be discussed at next meeting.

Discussion on the IT services. Vector One did not do a survey, the service and prices were discussed and it was decided to hire Vector One. A motion was offered by Johnny Rajca and seconded by Christy Wilt to hire Vector One. All members in attendance were in favor. Motion passed.

Codes and Zoning: Mel LaScola reported that his Deputy Brad Parslow has been in training and finished the second part and doing very well. He discussed with the board the need to make it **clearer** on the Small-Scale Subdivision Application that a Jurisdictional Inquiry with the APA is needed to be done prior to other requirements on the form. Christy and Mel will work on this so there is no confusion.

OLD BUSINESS: Still nothing new from Frontier on the phone building lease. The IT service issue has been resolved earlier in the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: There were 3 bids for the Snowmobile Trail Groomer.

Bids opened and discussed. A motion to accept the bids was offered by Christy Wilt and seconded by Jacqui Grier. All were in favor. Motion passed. Bids were given to Craig Small to review and report back to the board at the next meeting.

At this time Supervisor Rhodes stated that there needs to be a clarification in the Employee Handbook. He suggested Jacqui and himself meet with Heide Thomson to see what can be clarified for the future.

The supervisor asked for a motion to accept the bills as presented. Doug Stobo offered the motion and Johnny Rajca seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

Marie Buanno- offered to make refreshments for the open house for the new ESB. The board thanked her for her offer.

The next regular meeting will be April 1,2024 at 5:00 pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Jacqui Grier and Doug Stobo seconded, meeting adjourned at 5:40pm

Respectfully submitted, Laura Morehouse, Town Clerk