

TOWN OF ARIETTA

in
HAMILTON COUNTY, NY
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1722 State Route 8
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Agenda

August 3, 2026

5 pm at Piseco Common School

Town of Arietta

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Motion to accept the minutes for the July 20, 2026, meeting

- Resolutions
 - 26-08-35 Approve Snowmobile Contracts & Apply OPHRP Grant
 - 26-08-36 Transfer of Funds

- Snowmobile Trails – *Grier*
- Town Buildings / Grounds - *Stobo*
- Recreation / Website / Campsite – *Wilt/Smith*
- Lake / Dam / Cemetery - *Smith*
- Finance / Airport / Internal Management / Insurance - *Rhodes*
- Superintendent / Building and Grounds Report / Parks & Recreation – *Small*
- Codes and Zoning – *Lascola*

- Old Business
 - Brush Facility – Jennifer Smith Presentation on Cameras and Gate

- New Business
 - Motion to accept the bills
 - Motion to accept financial statements
 - Public Comment
 - Designation for next meeting: Monday, August 17, 2026
 - **Motion to adjourn**

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:

August 3, 2026, at 5:00 pm

Resolution # 26-08-35

Subject: **Approve Snowmobile Grooming Contracts and Apply for Grant Funding**

Resolution Offered By: _____

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 the NY Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, and

WHEREAS: the Town Board, Town of Arietta has decided to reapply for the 2026/2027 snowmobile season and continue to contract out different sections of trails and hire employees to maintain the remaining sections of trail, and

WHEREAS: the Arietta Town Board, after reviewing the RFQ's, which were received and opened at the July 6, 2026, board meeting, will award Pleasant Riders, Inc. the contract for Spy Lake and Adirondack Mountain Riders, Inc. the Sheriff Lake/Lower Arietta contract. All contracts are annual, and the Town of Arietta has the right to extend/offer the trail system contract for the following year, or to deny it, based on the previous year's performance, and

WHEREAS: there are several sections of the trail that connect to other towns located at the northern end of the Town of Arietta, which the Town Board will contract with the following municipalities to groom the section of trail which connects the coordinating section:

Town of Indian Lake, Town of Inlet, Town of Lake Pleasant, Town of Long Lake

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

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: the Town Board authorizes the contract agreements for the 2026/2027 grooming season, to apply for grant funding from NYOPRHP for the 2026/2027 cycle, and gives the Town Supervisor permission to sign the necessary documents to apply for and accept grant funding and execute the contracts.

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

AYES:

Jacquelyn Grier _____
Jennifer Smith _____
Douglas Stobo _____
Christy Wilt _____
Christian Rhodes _____

NOES:

Jacquelyn Grier _____
Jennifer Smith _____
Douglas Stobo _____
Christy Wilt _____
Christian Rhodes _____

ABSTAIN:

Jacquelyn Grier _____
Jennifer Smith _____
Douglas Stobo _____
Christy Wilt _____
Christian Rhodes _____

ABSENT:

Jacquelyn Grier _____
Jennifer Smith _____
Douglas Stobo _____
Christy Wilt _____
Christian Rhodes _____

Town Clerk

Date

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August 3, 2026, at 5:00 pm

Resolution # 26-08-36

Subject: **Transfer of Funds**

Resolution Offered By: _____

WHEREAS: the Town of Arietta will give the Town Supervisor permission to make the following transfer of money:

General Fund

\$1,000.00 to #A0-1330-400, Tax Collector Contractual Expense

from #A0-1990-400 Contingent Contractual Expense

\$1,500.00 to #A0-1410-400, Town Clerk Collector Contractual Expense

from #A0-1990-400 Contingent Contractual Expense

\$2,000.00 to #A0-5010-400, Superintendent of Highway Contractual Expense

from #A0-1990-400 Contingent Contractual Expense

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: that the Town of Arietta Town Board does approve the above transfers of money.

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

AYES :

NOES :

ABSTAIN :

ABSENT :

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WHEREAS, the Town of Arietta has been involved in the grooming and maintaining of snowmobile trails since the early nineteen sixties.

WHEREAS, experience has shown that the most cost-effective method for constructing, operating, and maintaining a system with a high degree of integrity is to work closely with the Contractors and subcontract the ongoing day-to-day operation of the Town Snowmobile Trail System.

THEREFORE, it is agreed between the parties hereto that the Town shall hire the Contractor in accordance with the following: *Moose River Plains #2 Trail System*

Said Contractor covenants and agrees that they:

1. Shall properly clear, brush, sign, and groom all trails within contracted territory, subject to inspection and approval by the Town, in accordance with NYSDEC regulations, NYSSA signage and grooming manual.
2. Shall file grooming logs for contracted services monthly by the 5th of December, January, February, and March; and said statement shall be audited and paid for by the Town. (*see #9*) If the logs and vouchers are not submitted in concurrence with the grant cycle, the contractor will forfeit payment.
3. Shall *groom the trails within contracted territory at least five times per week, with concentration on the heaviest used days, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, and in coordination with Town Special Events. All Grooming logs must be submitted monthly to the Town for all maintenance and grooming on the trails.*
4. Shall brush and maintain all trails in the contracted territory, repair and maintain all bridges in the contracted territory so that the bridges are always at least eight feet wide.
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<https://parks.ny.gov/documents/recreation/snowmobiles/SnowmobileTrailGroomerOperatorTraining.pdf>
8. Landowner relations: Securing and maintaining necessary private property easements, permits, and landowner permissions. The contractor will supply a copy of all executed documents to the Town of Arietta.
9. If any of the above are not followed, partial and/or full payment of this contract will not be awarded.
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FUNDING Paid per mile based on NYSOPRHP Annual grant payout

Moose River Plains #2 Trail System

Trail #	Description	Class	Mileage
Moose River Plains #1	From Eastern Arietta town line to Turnaround west of South Branch Moose River	A	3
		Total Miles	3

Class A Total Mileage	3
Class B Total Mileage	0
Unfunded Total Mileage	0
High Snow Total Mileage	3

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Insurance: During the term of this Contract, Contractor will provide a copy of the policy to the Town, naming the Town of Arietta as an additional insured, carry and maintain in full force, insurance of the following types and minimum amounts with such company or companies as are acceptable to the Town insuring Contractor while he is performing such grooming services under this Contract:

Liability Insurance	\$1,000,000.00
Property Damage	Proof of Coverage
Workers Compensation	Proof of Coverage

Permits: Contractors agree to abide by the terms and conditions specified by the NYSDEC Temporary Revocable Permit and NYSOPRHP guidelines to perform such grooming services on State land.

Indemnification: Contractor shall indemnify the Town against all liability, demands, claims, suits, losses, damages, causes of action, fines, or judgments including costs, attorneys' and witnesses' fees, and expenses incident thereto for injuries (including death) to persons or property arising out of or in connection with Contractor's performance of such grooming services under this Contract unless caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Town. The Town will give prompt written notice of any such demand, claim, or suit against it.

Labor and Equipment: Contractor will furnish all labor, equipment, and materials necessary to perform the grooming services.



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TOWN OF ARIETTA- *Moose River Plains #2 Trail System*

By: _____ Date _____
Supervisor _____ Witness _____ Date _____
Address
P.O. Box 37
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_____ Date _____
Contractor _____ Witness _____ Date _____
Address



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WHEREAS, experience has shown that the most cost-effective method for constructing, operating, and maintaining a system with a high degree of integrity is to work closely with the Contractors and subcontract the ongoing day-to-day operation of the Town Snowmobile Trail System.

THEREFORE, it is agreed between the parties hereto that the Town shall hire the Contractor in accordance with the following: ***S41 Trail System***

Said Contractor covenants and agrees that they:

1. Shall properly clear, brush, sign, and groom all trails within contracted territory, subject to inspection and approval by the Town, in accordance with NYSDEC regulations, NYSSA signage and grooming manual.
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8. Landowner relations: Securing and maintaining necessary private property easements, permits, and landowner permissions. The contractor will supply a copy of all executed documents to the Town of Arietta.
9. If any of the above are not followed, partial and/or full payment of this contract will not be awarded.
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FUNDING Paid per mile based on NYSOPRHP Annual grant payout

S41 Trail System

Trail #	Description	Class	Mileage
S41	From Arietta town line to Arietta	A	2
Total Miles			2

Class A Total Mileage	2
Class B Total Mileage	0
Unfunded Total Mileage	0
High Snow Total Mileage	2

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Insurance: During the term of this Contract, Contractor will provide a copy of the policy to the Town, naming the Town of Arietta as an additional insured, carry and maintain in full force, insurance of the following types and minimum amounts with such company or companies as are acceptable to the Town insuring Contractor while he is performing such grooming services under this Contract:

Liability Insurance	\$1,000,000.00
Property Damage	Proof of Coverage
Workers Compensation	Proof of Coverage

Permits: Contractors agree to abide by the terms and conditions specified by the NYSDEC Temporary Revocable Permit and NYSOPRHP guidelines to perform such grooming services on State land.

Indemnification: Contractor shall indemnify the Town against all liability, demands, claims, suits, losses, damages, causes of action, fines, or judgments including costs, attorneys' and witnesses' fees, and expenses incident thereto for injuries (including death) to persons or property arising out of or in connection with Contractor's performance of such grooming services under this Contract unless caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Town. The Town will give prompt written notice of any such demand, claim, or suit against it.

Labor and Equipment: Contractor will furnish all labor, equipment, and materials necessary to perform the grooming services.



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TOWN OF ARIETTA- *S41 Trail System*

By: _____ Date _____
Supervisor _____ Witness _____ Date _____

Address

P.O. Box 37

Piseco, NY 12139

Contractor _____ Date _____
Witness _____ Date _____

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WHEREAS, the Town of Arietta has been involved in the grooming and maintaining of snowmobile trails since the early nineteen sixties.

WHEREAS, experience has shown that the most cost-effective method for constructing, operating, and maintaining a system with a high degree of integrity is to work closely with the Contractors and subcontract the ongoing day-to-day operation of the Town Snowmobile Trail System.

THEREFORE, it is agreed between the parties hereto that the Town shall hire the Contractor in accordance with the following: *S80 & 476 Trail System*

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1. Shall properly clear, brush, sign, and groom all trails within contracted territory, subject to inspection and approval by the Town, in accordance with NYSDEC regulations, NYSSA signage and grooming manual.
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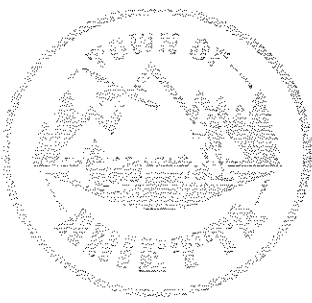
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FUNDING Paid per mile based on NYSOPRHP Annual grant payout

S80 & 476 Trail System

Trail #	Description	Class	Mileage
S80	From Arietta/Long Lake to town	A	6
	Lines to Raquette Lake		
476	From S80 to Forked Lake	A	2
Total Miles			6

Class A Total Mileage	6
Class B Total Mileage	0
Unfunded Total Mileage	2
High Snow Total Mileage	6



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This contract shall begin on the **3rd of August 2026** and shall end on the **31st of March 2027**.

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Liability Insurance	\$1,000,000.00
Property Damage	Proof of Coverage
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TOWN OF ARIETTA- *S80 & 476 Trail System*

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Supervisor _____ Witness _____ Date _____
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Sheriff Lake/Lower Arietta Trail System

Trail #	Description	Class	Mileage
C4	Piseco Lake Lodge to Morehouse Line	A	4
C8	C4(HAMI206) to Fulton Co Line	A	15
S81	Powley Rd (207) to C8(204)	B	6
S82	C8(203) to Fulton Co Line	B	3
Parking Trail	RT10 Parking to Powley Rd	UF	.5
EG	Evergreen Lake to Piseco Lodge	UF	.6
PL	Piseco Lodge to Piseco Lake	UF	.8
AH	C8 to Arietta Hotel	UF	.7
Stoner Spur	C8 to Stoner Lake	UF	.7
Total Miles			31.3

Class A Total Mileage	19
Class B Total Mileage	9
Unfunded Total Mileage	3.3
High Snow Total Mileage	26



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Indemnification: Contractor shall indemnify the Town against all liability, demands, claims, suits, losses, damages, causes of action, fines, or judgments including costs, attorneys' and witnesses' fees, and expenses incident thereto for injuries (including death) to persons or property arising out of or in connection with Contractor's performance of such grooming services under this Contract unless caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Town. The Town will give prompt written notice of any such demand, claim, or suit against it.

Labor and Equipment: Contractor will furnish all labor, equipment, and materials necessary to perform the grooming services.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have affixed their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

TOWN OF ARIETTA- *Sheriff Lake/Lower Arietta Trail System*

By: _____ Date _____
Supervisor _____ Witness _____ Date _____

Address

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This contract, dated the 3rd of August 2026, is between the Town of Arietta, a municipal subdivision in Hamilton County, State of New York, hereinafter referred to as "Town," and Pleasant Riders Snowmobilers, Inc., P.O. Box 425, Caroga Lake, NY 12164, hereafter referred to as "Contractor."

WHEREAS, the Town of Arietta has been involved in the grooming and maintaining of snowmobile trails since the early nineteen sixties.

WHEREAS, experience has shown that the most cost-effective method for constructing, operating, and maintaining a system with a high degree of integrity is to work closely with the Contractors and subcontract the ongoing day-to-day operation of the Town Snowmobile Trail System.

THEREFORE, it is agreed between the parties hereto that the Town shall hire the Contractor in accordance with the following: *Spy Lake Trail System*

Said Contractor covenants and agrees that they:

1. Shall properly clear, brush, sign, and groom all trails within contracted territory, subject to inspection and approval by the Town, in accordance with NYSDEC regulations, NYSSA signage and grooming manual.
2. Shall file grooming logs for contracted services monthly by the 5th of December, January, February, and March; and said statement shall be audited and paid for by the Town. (*see #9*) If the logs and vouchers are not submitted in concurrence with the grant cycle, the contractor will forfeit payment.
3. Shall *groom the trails within contracted territory at least five times per week, with concentration on the heaviest used days, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday*, and in coordination with *Town Special Events. All Grooming logs must be submitted monthly to the Town for all maintenance and grooming on the trails.*
4. Shall brush and maintain all trails in the contracted territory, repair and maintain all bridges in the contracted territory so that the bridges are always at least eight feet wide.
5. Any grooming done by other individuals in a contracted territory will only be done with the Contractor's permission. The Contractor will inform the Town Board of any additions or deletions of other individuals' grooming.



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6. First-time grooming Contractors will train and groom with the Contractors who have had a previous contract with the Town. All groomers must have basic first aid and chainsaw-safety certification.
7. All groomer operators must read and understand the N.Y. State Guidelines for Grooming Operations Manual available online at:
<https://parks.ny.gov/documents/recreation/snowmobiles/SnowmobileTrailGroomerOperatorTraining.pdf>
8. Landowner relations: Securing and maintaining necessary private property easements, permits, and landowner permissions. The contractor will supply a copy of all executed documents to the Town of Arietta.
9. If any of the above are not followed, partial and/or full payment of this contract will not be awarded.
10. The Town of Arietta has the right to extend/offer the trail system contract for the following year, or to deny it, based on the previous year's performance.

FUNDING Paid per mile based on NYSOPRHP Annual grant payout

Spy Lake Trail System

Trail #	Description	Class	Mileage
S84	Route 8 Oxbow Inn to Spy Lake	A	5
S83	Spy Lake to Route 10	A	1
Total Miles			6

Class A Total Mileage	6
Class B Total Mileage	0
Unfunded Total Mileage	0
High Snow Total Mileage	6

The Town reserves the right to terminate this contract at any time, for any reason, including the Contractor's failure to perform the necessary grooming and maintenance of the Sheriff Lake/Lower Arietta Trail System. If the Contractor is unable to groom and maintain the trails, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Town.

This contract shall begin on the **3rd of August 2026** and shall end on the **31st of March 2027**.



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Relationship to Parties: The parties intend that the Contractor, in performing the services specified in this Contract, shall act as an independent contractor and shall have control of the work and the way it is performed. The Contractor is not to be considered an agent or employee of the Town and is not entitled to participate in any benefits that the Town provides for its employees.

Insurance: During the term of this Contract, Contractor will provide a copy of the policy to the Town, naming the Town of Arietta as an additional insured, carry and maintain in full force, insurance of the following types and minimum amounts with such company or companies as are acceptable to the Town insuring Contractor while he is performing such grooming services under this Contract:

Liability Insurance	\$1,000,000.00
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