







try to get them to stop to look at it to see what can be started and he will take Mrs. Rudes with him. Mrs. Rudes feels that signage should be better on the dam that should state that the signs were the authority that installed the signs. Mr. Baker said the only way to stop people from climbing on the dam is to get the fence with a gate installed which can't be done until the surveying and some of the other work are done. Mr. Wilt asked Mrs. Rudes to ask Tom Boni to see how he would put the information; the Town of Arietta is the authority putting the signs up, on the signs.

**Mr. Wilt** asked what brought up the Zoning Board of Appeals variance fees. Mrs. Rudes said the Marion sent out a note stating that the auditor who just did the Town audit said the fee was too high. Mr. Wilt said that anything the auditor says is suggestive until the Town receives it in writing from the auditor which hasn't been received yet. He said some of the suggestions the auditor gave have been implemented but, all other ones will be left alone until the Town receives something in writing from the auditor. Mrs. Rudes feels that the fee is too high especially compared to Town's around our area. Mr. Wilt said he went outside of our area and they go way higher than ours. Mr. Wilt asked Mrs. Rudes to look into it and they will address it when a letter is received from the auditor.

**Mrs. Rudes** said she feels that if the Town of Arietta is going to pay the Zoning Board of Appeals that we should be giving a stipend to the Planning Board as well. We shouldn't ask one board to serve as a volunteer and the other to serve and get paid.

**Mr. Wilt** reported that some of the issues brought up by the auditor are being addressed like setting up revenue accounts for the fund balance. Also all equipment needs to be inventoried, marked and tracked so a minimum amount of value needs to be set as there needs to be a limit on how low a value the tracked items should be. Mr. Wilt suggested that number could be \$500. The auditor also wanted any individual signing or taking checks need to be bonded for any amount they could write a check for. Mr. Wilt suggested having a two signature policy for checks over a certain amount. They will wait for the auditor's report.

**Mrs. Rudes** reported that at the August Town Board meeting it was decided there would be a box placed at the Piseco Airport for people to put their tie down fees in. Mr. Wilt said that we have three people who pay a monthly tie down fee for three months and they pay for it in October. Mr. Wilt said that could be tried and he will try to figure out how to install that box. Mr. Wilt also asked the board to think about changing the yearly hanger fee to a six months fee for people who would like to only rent a hanger for the summer months.

**Mr. Wilt** reported the tentative budget is due in September and the preliminary budget needs to be presented by October and the board will need to set up budget hearings on the preliminary budget for October. Then the final budget will be passed at the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting. The dates for the hearings will be October 12, 17, 19, 24 and 26 if needed. They will be held at 5pm at the Piseco School.

**Mr. Wilt** reported that Mr. Lascola will look for a replacement as his deputy zoning officer as his replacement had to resign.

**Mr. Wilt** reported he doesn't feel a need for committees anymore as just having board members look into issues works very well.

**Mrs. Rudes** reported that there were decisions made by the school board at their last board meeting. It was decided that the sign in front of the school would state this is the location of the Piseco School district offices, and the Town of Arietta offices. All other signage would be on a board at the entry ways stating each individual School and Town office in building with signs over each door identifying each office occupant. Mr. Wilt said he talked to Tom Boni of Boni Signs and he told Mr. Boni to contact Mrs. Rudes. Mrs. Rudes also asked what is going to be done with the sign at the Community Hall. Mr. Wilt said to ask Mr. Boni to cover up all information except what is pertinent to the building.

**Mr. Wilt** asked Mr. Baker to talk about the LOSAP for the fire department. Mr. Baker said that a number for increasing the LOSAP for members of the fire department and the number was much too high and they didn't feel comfortable bringing such a high number to the Town Board. They tabled the issue until they can get additional quotes from additional length of service providers and will probably revisit this issue for the 2018 budget year. This takes time as it has to be a public referendum and has to go on the ballot and there isn't time for this year.

**Mr. Wilt** reported that William Grier checks on the community hall everyday but, he asked if there is a need to have someone to clean the building. Mrs. Rudes said she feels there should be someone maybe one day or even half a day once a week to clean especially at high use volume times of the year.

**Mr. Wilt** reported that the dog pen is now in the old town clerk office where there was a metal dog pen placed. It was put there because the dogs are required to be put in someplace where there is heat and cover during bad weather.

**Mr. Wilt** reported that the issues at the school building are getting resolved. Some electrical issues still need to be addressed and the phone issues should be fixed now.

**Mrs. Rudes** said at the March Town Board meeting there were issues with sanding private driveways and board members were supposed to talk to people and it was to be readdressed at the April meeting. She suggests that the Town highway keeps sanding private driveways. Mr. Baker said that the Town attorney and the insurance company said that the Town shouldn't go on private property. He also some people have brought up that it takes business away from contractors who provide a service to sand private driveways. Mr. Lascola made

the point if it is done for one it has to be done for everyone. Mr. Parslow said that if the Town Board tells the highway superintendent to sand private driveways and something happens while the highway department is sanding someone's driveway and they come after the Town they will be going after the highway superintendent not the Town board because he is the person sending them to do the sanding. The board will bring it up at a later date but will research it in the meantime.

Motion was offered by: R. Wilt

To reappoint Marie Buanno as an alternate to the Town of Arietta Planning Board to finish her original term she had and also to rehire her as the secretary of the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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

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

**Mrs. Rudes** reported that the Town museum tavern is infested with powder post beetles. Orkin has given a quote of \$1620 to spray. Mr. Wilt will look into another quote from Terminix.

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

To pay the bills of the month as follows:

General fund: no. 416 to no. 420 (utilities) \$2,408.83

General fund: no.481 to no. 511 in the amount of \$30,098.11

Highway fund: no. 466 to no. 480 in the amount of \$8,713.45

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

**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none      **Absent:** C. Wilt

**Motion was offered by:** B. Baker

To accept the financial statement of the Supervisor for the month of August 2016 as submitted.

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

**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none      **Absent:** C. Wilt

Next meeting will be October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.

Motion was offered by: M. Knapp to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm.

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

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

**Entered by:**

**Kenneth Parslow, Town Clerk**