

**TOWN OF ARIETTA PLANNING BOARD**  
**Piseco, NY 12139**

Meeting Dated:  
Tuesday June 13, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.  
Piseco School

**Approved Meeting Minutes**

**Members present:**

Paul Beaudoin  
Sheila Crouse  
Mary Kiewicz  
Bob Thomson  
Alternate/Secretary Marie Buanno

**Members absent:**

Jacqui Grier

**Others in Attendance:** Zoning Officer Mel LaScola, Jill and Ron Cuthbertson

Town of Arietta Planning Board meeting was called to order by Mary Kiewicz at 6:05 PM. Paul Beaudoin made a motion to waive the reading of the May 9, 2017 minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sheila Crouse. All were in favor 4 – 0. Paul Beaudoin also made a motion approve the minutes as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sheila Crouse. All were in favor 4 – 0.

Mary reported she had no new correspondence to share.

Zoning Officer Mel LaScola made us aware of a few projects that have come across his desk. Todd Vedder of 1231 Old Piseco Rd. wants to put a foundation under his place that is now on very shaky stone pillars. It is a non-conforming pre-existing lot. He is allowing the project to go forward. It is not near the lake and his neighbors have no issues with what he wants to do.

Randy Huta wants to put on an addition. Mel has not been able to meet up with him as of yet. Randy feels he will need a variance as he is so close to the lake.

Brian Dorr wants to build a tiny house on wheels on his family property on Higgins Bay Road. It will only be built there then moved to Vermont when finished. It will be built on an 8 ft. x 12 ft. trailer. It was believed it can be on the property for 14 consecutive days and cannot be hooked up to a septic but can utilize a holding tank. It would be considered a mobile devise. We need to pay attention to the codes book concerning this as it may need to be tweaked. This is something that can be done over the winter months.

Dave Chickering at 21 South Shore Rd. wants to put an addition on but within 100 ft. of the lake. Mel has not been able to actually connect with him although Mel does have plans from him. It is a conforming lot but because he wants to go within 100 ft. of the lake he will need a variance.

DeAnna Broiles has not been in contact with anyone yet about wanting a subdivision.

Lisa and Don Bruce bought property from Brian Bajor on Oxbow Lake. The property is partially in Arietta and partially in Lake Pleasant. They are wondering what they are allowed to do. This is something that must go to the Regional Planning Board because it falls in two different towns. It would be in Ariettas jurisdiction if the house is built on the Arietta portion but it is not known how to establish the setbacks if they fall in Lake Pleasant.

Also, there has been no word from the courts about the Casey Article 78. It has been two years and ten months so far.

Jill Cuthbertson of Bonnie Brae Trailer Park came before the Planning Board just to discuss the measuring of lake front setbacks. She owns 3,000 feet of shoreline which includes two peninsulas. She noted APA setbacks are being used by Northhampton and Caroga Lake (Fulton County) as well as Tupper Lake. Lake Pleasant seems to be using the vegetative mean high water mark as Arietta used to. She feels the 100 ft. setback is higher than most. Jill and Ron want the Planning Board to consider lowering it. When the 100 ft. setback rule was implemented quite a few of her trailer units had to be eliminated or relocated in off-lake (undesirable) sites within her park. Also the new way of measuring how much square footage each site can utilize has made it nearly impossible for those who make Bonnie Brae their summer home to have enough room to store everything they need to. Mary read the definition for a “Cluster effect” from the codes book as that is what it seems Bonnie Brae is considered. Mary suggested since the 100 ft. setback from the lake is Town Law that any changes would have to go through the Town Board.

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Beaudoin. Seconded by Sheila Crouse. All were in favor 4 – 0.

Our next meeting will be July 11, 2017.

Respectfully submitted, Marie C. Buanno