

TOWN OF ARIETTA PLANNING BOARD
Piseco, NY 12139

Meeting Dated:

Tuesday December 13, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.

Piseco School

Approved Meeting Minutes

Members present:

Paul Beaudoin

Sheila Crouse

Mary Kiewicz

Alternate/Secretary Marie Buanno

Members absent:

Jacqui Grier

Others present: Zoning Officer Mel LaScola, Jill Cuthbertson, John Avery

Town of Arietta Planning Board meeting was called to order by Mary Kiewicz at 6:04 PM. Paul Beaudoin motioned to accept the minutes of the September meeting as written. 2nd by Mary Kiewicz. Approved 2 – 0 (Sheila Crouse could not vote as she did not attend the September meeting). Sheila Crouse motioned to accept the October minutes as written. 2nd by Paul Beaudoin. Approved 3 – 0. There was no meeting in November.

Mary has not heard from the Mikus family who approached the Planning Board in September about options available to them for replacing, repairing or expanding their boathouse structure.

Mary said Town Board member Sarah Rudes is putting forward to the Town Board that the Planning Board members should receive some sort of stipend. Mel LaSola said it was brought up at the last Town Board meeting but Mary has not heard of any outcome.

Jill Cuthbertson approached the Planning Board regarding the Hallock property SBL #127.015-1-1 which is on Higgins Bay Road directly across from the Cuthbertson property. It is for sale and she was inquiring as to if the Planning Board were going to intervene so that it is not sold as commercial property. The Hallocks bought it to be used for their personal company overflow and for renting. Jill has sent renters to them but the Hallocks don't advertize it. Jill wanted to know if they had a tourist accommodation variance for the property. The property consists of three buildings with sleeping quarters. Mel LaScola said the zoning code is 88. It is SR1 Special District. Jill basically wanted to know if the Planning Board were going to "allow" it to be sold as commercial (rentable). She also was concerned about the changeover in renters all the time and that they don't feel compelled to access the lake through her property. Members of the Planning Board did not feel it was the Planning Boards responsibility to inform potential new owners what the use of the property is to be when the Planning Board doesn't really know what the past use has been. Rental is not prohibited under the Town of Arietta codes book. Jill feels this will be commercial use and commercial use is not allowed in SR1. She felt if it were going to become a Tourist Accommodation they would need a special permit. Jill was advised that if or when a problem arises she would need to file a formal complaint and go from there.

John Avery approached the Planning Board about his property on Route 10 (the deer farm) having a potential buyer. The potential buyer wants a right of way to the highway and a right of way to the logging road nearby. By doing an approximate 2 acre boundary line adjustment this can be accomplished. He supplied us with a map which is attached to these minutes. The Planning Board did not see a problem with this going forward. He will need a JIF from the APA.

Training – Mary reminded everyone there are many on-line courses available. She will send them out via e-mail. A three page list is attached to these minutes. Also, The NY Planning Federation Conference is coming up at the Saratoga Hilton March 26 – 28, 2017. A registration form is attached to these minutes.

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Beaudoin. Seconded by Sheila Crouse. All were in favor 3 – 0.

Respectfully submitted, Marie C. Buanno

3 Attachments: Avery map, 3-page list of on-line courses, NYPB conference registration form