

**Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Arietta held November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Piseco Town Offices located at the Piseco Common School building commencing at 6:00pm.**

**Others present:** Fred Knapp, Chris Laver, Ryan Germain – Superintendent, Mel Lascola – Zoning Officer.

**Supervisor Wilt opened the meeting at 6:00pm.**

Roll Call:

Barry Baker present  
Michael Knapp present  
Sarah Rudes present  
Christy Wilt present  
Richard Wilt present

Motion was offered by: S. Rudes

To accept the minutes of the October 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Special Town Board meetings as submitted by the Town Clerk.

**Second was offered by:** C. Wilt

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

**Bids opened for the Facilities Consolidation Project.**

- 1) **Beebe Construction Services Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 177**  
**Utica, NY 13503**

Total Base Bid: \$81,400.00

Alternate No. 1 – Window Security Film at Exterior Windows: \$2,500.00

Alternate No. 2 – Exterior Concrete Landing at Door 105A: \$6,200.00

Alternate No. 3 – Judge’s Bench: \$12,900.00 (Deleted)

Motion was offered by: B. Baker

To send the bid received from Beebe Construction Services Inc. to the engineers Bernier Carr for review to make sure it meets all requirements of the specifications.

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

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

**Mr. Wilt** said that a meeting will have to be set up as soon as the engineers are done reviewing to decide if the Town will accept the bid. He also said he will ask Bernier Carr to go back to the Unified Court System to see if the grant can be increased as the original grant is only for \$13,000.00.

**TOWN OF ARIETTA**

At a regular Meeting of the Arietta Town Board at the Piseco Common School, 1722 State Route 8 Piseco in the Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, New York on:

November 6, 2017 at 6:00pm

Resolution # 17-10-36

Subject: **Agreement with James A. Brennan Memorial Humane Society**

Resolution Offered By: M. Knapp

**WHEREAS:** the Town of Arietta Animal Control Officer, on various occasions, has a need to take stray, unclaimed dogs to a Humane Society, and

**WHEREAS:** in order to use this service when needed, it is necessary to enter into an agreement with an agency, and

**WHEREAS:** an annual Agreement for the James A. Brennan Memorial Humane Society has been reviewed by the Town of Arietta Town Board in the amount \$500.00 to be paid out of #A3520.400 Animal Control Contractual Expense Account, and

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:** the Arietta Town Board will give the Supervisor permission to sign the annual agreement for 2018 with James A. Brennan Memorial Humane Society.

Seconded by: B. Baker and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:

Barry Baker X  
Michael Knapp X  
Sarah Rudes X  
Christy Wilt X  
Richard Wilt X

NOES:

Barry Baker \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Knapp \_\_\_\_\_  
Sarah Rudes \_\_\_\_\_  
Christy Wilt \_\_\_\_\_  
Richard Wilt \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk Date: November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**TOWN OF ARIETTA**

At a regular meeting of the Arietta Town Board at the Piseco Common School on 1722 State Route 8 in the Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, New York on:

November 6, 2017 at 6:00pm

Resolution # 17 -11-37

Resolution Offered By: S. Rudes

**WHEREAS:** the Town of Arietta Town Board has accepted the 2018 Preliminary Budget at the October Town Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS:** at the October workshop meeting's, there was discussion of the Town Board, and a motion made to bring to resolution an increase in the amounts of the following accounts:

- SF2-3410.400 Raquette Lake Fire from \$19,361.50 to \$19,418.05
- A0-1220.140 Personal Services from \$0 to \$3,993
- A0-1410.100 Personal Services from \$11,174 to \$12,000
- A0-5010.100 Personal Services from \$43,860 to \$44,290
- A0-8020.110 Personal Services from \$0 to \$2,000
- A0-3005 Mortgage Tax from \$8,500 to \$13,000
- DA2665 Sales of Equipment Revenue from \$0 to \$50,000
- DA-5110.110 Personal Services from \$0 to \$5,738

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:** that the Town Board, Town of Arietta increase the above amounts in the 2018 Budget.

Seconded by: C. Wilt and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:		NOES:
Barry Baker	<u>X</u>	Barry Baker _____
Michael Knapp	<u>X</u>	Michael Knapp _____
Sarah Rudes	<u>X</u>	Sarah Rudes _____
Christy Wilt	<u>X</u>	Christy Wilt _____
Richard Wilt	<u>X</u>	Richard Wilt _____

\_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk      Date: November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Resolution #17-11-37 has been amended to reflect the names of the offering and seconding board members that were left out of the original draft minutes.

Motion was offered by: M. Knapp  
To open the public hearing on the Town of Arietta 2018 Preliminary budget at 6:13pm.

**Second was offered by:** B. Baker  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

Motion was offered by: M. Knapp  
To move forward with the process to create two local laws for the purpose of changing the Board of Assessment Review from a five person board to a three person board. Also to create the real property exemption for Cold War Veterans. The board will hold a public hearing at the December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Town Board Meeting.

**Second was offered by:** B. Baker  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

**Committee reports:**

**Snowmobile Trails & Town Buildings: Mr. Knapp** reported the trails are mostly cleared and they have been building & fixing bridges.

**Internal Management / Insurance: Mr. Baker** reported the board covered insurance plans and have decided to stay with the same plan as last year.

**Recreation, Website & Chamber: Mrs. Wilt** had nothing and the next Chamber meeting will be November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**Finance / Airport: Mr. Wilt** reported that the budget is at a \$0.00 increase on taxes levied per thousand so they will stay the same as last year. He has nothing to report on the Airport.

**Lake / Dam / Invasive: Mrs. Rudes** reported that the invasive quarterly report was done by Elizabeth Mangle. The boat wash stations are all closed down for the year. She hasn't heard anything about the Dam from Schnabel engineering so she will send them a note to see what is going on. Mr. Wilt said the water level in Piseco Lake went up 26" in 10 days.

**Old Business:**

**Mr. Lascola** reported he talked with Joe at the Lake Pleasant Transfer Station about the construction debris (C&D) and how Lake Pleasant handles it from private individuals. He said right now the Town of Arietta doesn't make private individuals bringing C&D into the transfer station.

Motion was offered by: M. Knapp  
To move forward with changing the regulations for the Town of Arietta residents and contractors taking Construction Debris to the Lake Pleasant Transfer Station.

**Second was offered by:** B. Baker  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

Mr. Wilt closed the public hearing on the Town of Arietta 2018 Preliminary budget at 6:41pm.

**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:

November 6, 2017 at 6:00pm

Resolution # 17 - 11 - 38

Subject: **Adopt 2018 Budget**

Resolution Offered By: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS:** the Town Board, Town of Arietta held a Public Hearing for public comment on the Budget for 2018, and

**WHEREAS:** public comment was heard at the Public Hearing held during the regular Town Board Meeting at 6:00pm on Monday, November 6, 2017 at the Piseco Common School, 1722 State Route 8 Piseco, NY, and

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:** the Town Board of Arietta will adopt the Town Budget for the year 2018.

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

AYES:		NOES:	
Barry Baker	<u>X</u>	Barry Baker	_____
Michael Knapp	<u>X</u>	Michael Knapp	_____
Sarah Rudes	<u>X</u>	Sarah Rudes	_____
Christy Wilt	<u>X</u>	Christy Wilt	_____
Richard Wilt	<u>X</u>	Richard Wilt	_____

\_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk      Date: November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Motion was offered by:** M. Knapp  
To pay the bills of the month as follows:  
General fund: no.582 to no.636 in the amount of \$26,327.53  
Highway fund: no.614 to no.634 in the amount of \$23,822.43

**Second was offered by:** B. Baker  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

**Motion was offered by:** S. Rudes  
To accept the financial statement of the Supervisor for the month of October 2017 as submitted.

**Second was offered by:** B. Baker  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

**Chris Laver** reported as a member of the Piseco Ambulance Squad that the Town of Morehouse no longer has personal enough to operate their ambulance. Piseco Ambulance Squad will be covering the Town of Morehouse until the issue can be worked out. He just wanted to inform the Town Board of this issue.

Motion was offered by: B. Baker  
To enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing employee performance issues at 6:45pm.

**Second was offered by:** C. Wilt  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

Motion was offered by: B. Baker  
To enter back into regular session at 6:58pm.

**Second was offered by:** M. Knapp  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

**Mr. Wilt** reported that the board is waiting to hear from the Town Attorney for response to a review letter to an employee. For the second issue he will ask for an opinion from the Town Attorney.

**The next regular meeting will be December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

Motion was offered by: S. Rudes  
To adjourn the meeting at 7:00pm.

**Second was offered by:** C. Wilt  
**Ayes:** Baker, Knapp, Rudes, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

**Entered by:**  
**Kenneth Parslow, Town Clerk**