

**Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting of the Town of Arietta held January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the Piseco Town Offices and on Zoom webinar located at the Piseco Common School building commencing at 5:00pm.**

**Others present:** Steve Woehrle, Chris Rhodes

**Supervisor Wilt opened the meeting at 5:00pm.**

**Roll Call:**

**Jacqui Grier present**  
**Sarah Rudes present**  
**Doug Stobo present**  
**Christy Wilt present**  
**Richard Wilt present**

**TOWN OF ARIETTA**

At a special 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 and Zoom on:

January 18, 2021 at 5:00pm

Resolution # 21 – 01 - 06

Subject: **Review of the 2020 Arietta Financial Records**

Resolution Offered By: \_\_\_\_\_ S. Rudes \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS:** the Town of Arietta, Town Board have been presented with the 2020 financial records for the Town of Arietta at the January 18, 2020 meeting as required by Town Law Section 123, and

**WHEREAS:** these records include the Justices, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk, and

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:** that the Town Board, Town of Arietta does approve the 2020 Town of Arietta financial records as presented.

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

<b>AYES:</b>		<b>NOES:</b>		<b>ABSENT:</b>	
Jacquelyn Grier	<u>  X  </u>	Jacquelyn Grier	_____	Jacquelyn Grier	_____
Sarah Rudes	<u>  X  </u>	Sarah Rudes	_____	Sarah Rudes	_____
Douglas Stobo	<u>  X  </u>	Douglas Stobo	_____	Douglas Stobo	_____
Christy Wilt	<u>  X  </u>	Christy Wilt	_____	Christy Wilt	_____
Richard Wilt	<u>  X  </u>	Richard Wilt	_____	Richard Wilt	_____

\_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk      Date January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021

TOWN OF ARIETTA

At a regular meeting of the Arietta Town Board at the Piseco School and Zoom for the Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, New York on:

January 18, 2021

Resolution 21-01-07

Subject: Approval of Application for the 2021 FAA AIP Grant at Piseco Airport for work as described as:

Short Environmental Assessment For Runway 4 Obstruction Removal and Avigation Easement Acquisition

Resolution Offered By: D. Stobo

WHEREAS: the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has developed the Airport Improvement Program (AIP); and

WHEREAS: the FAA has made funds available to eligible N.Y. airports to address critical infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS: the Town is eligible for a Short Environmental Assessment (EA) for Runway 4 Obstruction Removal and Avigation Easement Acquisition for a total of \$65,979.00, and would be responsible for contributing a local share of up to \$1,649.48; and

WHEREAS: McFarland Johnson was previously approved by the Town of Arietta as the engineering firm for the Piseco Airport; now, therefore be it

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: that the Town Board, Town of Arietta approves the application for the FAA grant funds for the Piseco Airport for the Short Environmental Assessment for Runway 4 Obstruction Removal and Avigation Easement Acquisition.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: that McFarland Johnson is approved as the engineering firm for this grant.

Seconded by: J. Grier and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES: 5 NOES: 0

Table with 3 columns: AYES, NOES, ABSENT. Lists names of town board members and their voting status (checked or unchecked).

Town Clerk

Date January 20th, 2021

Motion was offered by: S. Rudes To appoint Craig Small as Parks and Recreation director for the Town of Arietta to over see General and Highway employees except for those who preform the BTI duties. They will stay under the supervision of the Town Supervisor. The position will pay \$6,000.00 per year.

Second was offered by: J. Grier Ayes: Grier, Rudes, Stobo, C. Wilt and R. Wilt. Nays: none

Mr. Small reported that all snowmobile trails have been groomed except the Willis trail as there is one bridge, they can't get over with the drag on. He has taken John with him twice to show him how to run the groomer and how to groom the Powley road and he will do fine. He is also going to take Chris down this week to reacquaint him with how to groom the Powley road again.

Mrs. Rudes reported that she had a meeting with Mr. Wilt, David Railsback the engineer from Schnabel and David Henley a representative from the Piseco Lake Association regarding the Piseco Lake dam. They focused on safety and effectiveness issues. Schnabel has agreed to give the Town board a conceptual level design alternatives for improvements to the dam that would make it safer to operate and hopefully keep

the lake level at a consistent recreational level during the summer months. They will evaluate three different dam styles and send the board this conceptual package. Mr. Wilt will contact Mr. Railsback before the next meeting to see if he can give a break down of the cost of the study so the board can evaluate that cost before going ahead with a design.

**Mr. LaScola** reported that he spoke to the architect and he wants to move ahead with the paperwork for the new salt shed on Route 10. Mr. Wilt said the salt shed was going to be paid for through the North Country Regional grant, right now there are not any grants. He told Mr. LaScola to allow the architect to go ahead to find out if the APA has jurisdiction, but no farther.

**Mr. Wilt** reported that he feels the board should back track a little bit on the septic law update. He feels there should be a smaller group to meet and go over it. He thinks Mr. LaScola needs to be in it because he understands what power he has. He will be on the panel, Mrs. Rudes also offered to be on it and Mr. Wilt asked Chris Rhodes if he would be on it. Mr. Rhodes agreed he would participate. Mr. Wilt will contact everyone and will set up a time.

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

To pay the bills as follows:

General Fund: no. 45 to for a total: \$1,091.00

**Second was offered by:** D. Stobo

**Ayes:** Grier, Rudes, Stobo, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

**Mrs. Grier** asked if the Town Clerk had fixed her vote on the Senior resolution from the January 4<sup>th</sup>. 2021 meeting. He will fix before next meeting.

**Mr. Small** asked if the highway department men purchased safety boots if they could be reimbursed for part of the cost. Mr. Wilt said yes.

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

To adjourn the meeting at 5:19pm.

**Second was offered by:** D. Stobo

**Ayes:** Grier, Rudes, Stobo, C. Wilt and R. Wilt.      **Nays:** none

**Entered by:**

**Kenneth Parslow, Town Clerk**