

**TOWN OF ARIETTA**  
**June 2, 2025**  
Town Board Regular Meeting  
Piseco School Meeting Room

Supervisor Rhodes opened the meeting at 5:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

Chris Rhodes-Supervisor-present  
Doug Stobo-present  
Christy Wilt-present  
Jacqui Grier-absent  
Craig Small-Highway Superintendent-absent  
Mel LaScola-Codes and Zoning-present

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Steve Woehrle  
Marie Buanno  
William Hotaling  
Ed Cox  
Kevin Kennedy  
Jim Horan  
Barry Baker

Supervisor Rhodes asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the May 19, 2025; Regular Town Board meeting as submitted by the Town Clerk. Doug Stobo offered the motion, which Christy Wilt seconded. All members in attendance were in favor. The motion passed.

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## Agenda

**June 2, 2025**  
5pm at Piseco Common School  
**Town of Arietta**

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Motion to approve minutes for the May 19, 2025 meeting
- Resolutions
  - 25-06-23 Appointment Arietta Cemetery Committee Advisory Board (ACAB)
  - 25-06-24 NYS SWD
  - 25-06-25 Purchase Riding Lawn Mower
- **Snowmobile Trails** – *Grier*
- **Town Buildings / Grounds** - *Stobo*
- **Recreation / Website / Campsite** - *Wilt*
- **Lake / Dam / Cemetery** - *Rhodes*
- **Finance / Airport / Internal Management / Insurance** - *Rhodes*
- **Superintendent / Report** – *Small*
- **Codes and Zoning** – *Lascola*

- **Old Business**
  - Swim
- **New Business**
  - Cemetery applications review

- Motion to accept the bills
- Motion to accept the financial statements
- Public Comment
- Designation of next Meeting Monday, June 16, 2025
- **Motion to adjourn**

RESOLUTIONS-

**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:

June 2, 2025, at 5:00 pm

Resolution # 25-05-23

Subject: **Appointment Arietta Cemetery Committee Advisory Board Member (ACAB)**

Resolution Offered By: Doug Stobo

**WHEREAS:** the Town of Arietta has a vacancy for the third member on the Town of Arietta Cemetery Committee Advisory Board (ACAB), and:

**WHEREAS:** the Town of Arietta Supervisor, as per Resolution #22-09-53, will appoint the third member to the ACAB, and

**WHEREAS:** after consideration the Supervisor will appoint Craig Small, Arietta Highway Superintendent to fill the vacancy, and

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:** that the Town of Arietta Town Board does hereby accept the appointment of Craig Small, Arietta Highway Superintendent to the Town of Arietta Cemetery Committee Advisory Board (ACAB) to fill the vacant seat.

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

AYES:		NOES:		ABSTAIN		ABSENT:	
Jacquelyn Grier	<u>          </u>	Jacquelyn Grier	<u>          </u>	Jacquelyn Grier	<u>      </u>	Jacquelyn Grier	x <u>      </u>
	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>		<u>      </u>		<u>          </u>
Douglas Stobo	x <u>      </u>	Douglas Stobo	<u>          </u>	Douglas Stobo	<u>      </u>	Douglas Stobo	<u>          </u>
Christy Wilt	x <u>      </u>	Christy Wilt	<u>          </u>	Christy Wilt	<u>      </u>	Christy Wilt	<u>          </u>
Christian Rhodes	x <u>      </u>	Christian Rhodes	<u>          </u>	Christian Rhodes	<u>      </u>	Christian Rhodes	<u>          </u>

Laura Morehouse  
Town Clerk

6/2/2025  
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Christy Wilt	x <u>          </u>	Christy Wilt	<u>          </u>	Christy Wilt	<u>          </u>	Christy Wilt	<u>          </u>
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Resolution # 25-05-25

Subject: **Authorize to Purchase One (1) New Riding Lawn Mower**

Resolution Offered By:  Christy Wilt

**WHEREAS:** the Supervisor per the Town of Arietta Procurement Policy received the required Request For Proposals (RFP) and after review would like to purchase from Grassland Equipment & Irrigation Corp., one (1) new 34” Timecutter 22HP riding lawn mower per the attached outline for a total of \$3,599.00, and

**WHEREAS:** the mower will be used at various locations within the town and therefore the purchase will be split between accounts as follows:

A0-1620-200	\$ 500.00
A0-5670-200	\$1,000.00
A0-7450-400	\$ 500.00
A0-8810-400	\$1,599.00

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED:** the Town Board will authorize the Supervisor to purchase the above equipment from Grassland Equipment & Irrigation Corp., for a total of \$3,599.00 as per the attached specification outline and debt the above accounts.

Seconded by:  Doug Stobo  and put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN

ABSENT:

Jacquelyn Grier  
Douglas Stobo  
Christy Wilt  
Christian Rhodes

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Christy Wilt  
Christian Rhodes

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HIGGINS BAY CEMETERY

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4

APPLICATION FOR BURIAL

DECEDENT  
FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF DEATH: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_

FUNERAL DIRECTOR (if different from Contact)  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

BURIAL DETAILS  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ TOWN TO OPEN SITE: \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

PLOT DETAILS  
\_\_\_\_ FULL BURIAL (burial permit required) Measurements: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ URN BURIAL (cremation certificate required) Measurements: \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION (if known, see attached map): \_\_\_\_\_ PLOT (if known, see attached map): \_\_\_\_\_  
LOCATION DETAILS: \_\_\_\_\_

FEES (due with application)	<u>YEAR-ROUND RESIDENCE</u>	<u>SEASONAL RESIDENCE</u>	<u>NON-RESIDENCE AT DEATH</u>
FULL BURIAL	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$1,500.00
URN BURIAL	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$ 250.00
PLOT MARKER PLACEMENT	\$0.00	\$100.00	NOT APPLICABLE

See Cemetery Regulations on Back

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BURIAL DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

FULL or URN

SECTION: \_\_\_\_\_

PLOT: \_\_\_\_\_

MAPPED: \_\_\_\_\_

RECORDED: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES: \_\_\_\_\_

SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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CEMETERY REGULATIONS

- 1. Public access to the cemetery shall be limited to daylight hours only.
- 2. One headstone per group plot, all other stones and markers to be flush with the ground.
- 3. Stone size limited to 36” above the ground, 42” wide, and 12” deep. Location to be approved by the Town.
- 4. All flowers, wreaths or other decorations on plots are to be removed as soon as they become unsightly and shall be picked up during garbage pickup.
- 5. The planting of shrubs (no trees) that grow over 4-feet tall is prohibited without the approval of the Cemetery Committee.
- 6. The use of glass receptacles for flowers or other decorations on plots is prohibited.
- 7. Monuments placed on either standard or crematory plots may not be of such size or placement as to interfere with cemetery maintenance or obstruct the reasonable movement of cemetery visitors.
- 8. Nothing is to be thrown over the fence.
- 9. The rules and regulations may be amended by the Arietta Town Board, with recommendation from the Arietta Cemetery Committee Advisory Board.
- 10. A permanent flat ground level marker must be placed over a cremation/urn burial to mark the location.

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**HIGGINS BAY CEMETERY**  
**APPLICATION FOR PLOT RESERVATION**

*Plot reservations are confirmed upon approval of the Town Supervisor.*  
*Plot reservation is not a guarantee of burial privileges.*

**APPLICANT**  
FAMILY (LAST) NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS OF PROPERTY OWNED IN PISECO: \_\_\_\_\_  
BEST MAILING ADDRESS (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESIDENCY (check one)**  
☐ YEAR-ROUND RESIDENT  
☐ SEASONAL RESIDENT

**# OF PLOTS REQUESTED** \_\_\_\_\_ (up to 4 plots per residence)

**BURIAL PLANS (indicate number)**  
☐ FULL BURIAL(s)  
☐ URN BURIAL(s)  
☐ UNDECIDED

<b><u>FEES (due at time of placement)</u></b>	<b><u>YEAR-ROUND RESIDENCE</u></b>	<b><u>SEASONAL RESIDENCE</u></b>
PLOT MARKER PLACEMENT	\$0.00	\$100.00

**Cemetery Regulations on Back**

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ASSIGNED:	Section: _____	Plot: _____	CORNER MARKERS RECEIVED / PLACED: _____
NOTES: _____			
SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE: _____			DATE: _____

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Snowmobile Trails**—Jacqui Grier was absent from the meeting.

**Town Buildings and Grounds - Doug Stobo reported that** the Community Hall is being used more. Chris asked that the Hall be checked before and after it is used and if he or Christy could not check to make sure that it is clean to contact him.

**Recreation/Website/Campsite-** Christy Wilt stated that two people took the test for swimming instructor but they will not be ready for this year. The board discussed the situation and decided not to offer swimming lessons this year.

**Lake/Dam/Cemetery-** Chris Rhodes reported that the boards were put in the spillway. The lake level is at 0. He will be meeting with the Holiat and Sherman family regarding the back line of the cemetery.

**Finance/Internal Management/Airport/Insurance-** Chris Rhodes stated that the fuel pump at the airport is working at this time. The “brush dump” is closed for now. There has been a concern over trash being dumped in the area that should be taken to the landfill. After discussion and opinions from residents present the Supervisor may possibly open it for a few hours in the middle of the week. He reported that Atlantic Lab will be doing test holes on June 11<sup>th</sup>. On that date, the town buildings will be appraised for insurance coverage.

**Superintendent of Highways-** Craig Small, was away at Highway School. Supervisor Rhodes gave the Highway report. East Shore Road and County Route 24 paving will start this week.

**Old Business:** Swimming Lessons have already been discussed.

**New Business:** Supervisor Rhodes discussed the new forms, Application for Burial and Application for Plot Reservation. He asked for a motion to accept the forms. Doug Stobo offered the motion, Christy Wilt seconded the motion, and all members were in favor. Motion passed.

### **BILLS:**

**General Fund:** Vouchers#337-343,345 for a total of \$3161.13

**Utilities Fund:** Vouchers#329-330 for a total of \$625.68

**Highway Fund:** Vouchers #347-353 for a total of \$3883.99

He asked for a motion to pay the bills presented at this time. Christy Wilt made the motion; it was seconded by Doug Stobo. All members in attendance were in favor, motion passed.

Next, he asked for a motion to accept the financial statement. Doug Stobo made the motion and Christy Wilt seconded the motion, all members in attendance were in favor. Motion passed.

There was only one independent petition filed for the council member position.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT-**

Bill Hotaling announced that the Piseco Fireworks can not be displayed on the Poplar Point Campsite as it is against state law. The PLA will look for another location to display the fireworks.

Steve Woehrle stated that the agenda for this meeting was not on the website. Christy will look into the problem.

Kevin Kennedy wanted to know if there was any news on the Emergency Communications Tower. Supervisor Rhodes explained what was happening and that it probably will not be finished this year.

The next regular meeting will be on June 16, 2025, at 5:00 pm

Doug Stobo made a motion to adjourn, and Christy Wilt seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Morehouse, Town Clerk