

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held January 8, 2013 at the Mooers Office Complex commencing at 7:00P.M.**

**Present:** Cory Ross, Supervisor  
Earl Robinson, Councilman  
Steve Barcomb, Councilman  
Eugene Bushey, Councilman  
Gerald LaValley, Councilman

**Recording Secretary:** Rena Bosley, Town Clerk

**Others Present:** Eugene (Dick) Boulerville, Supt. of Highways  
Kaleigh LaBombard, Dog Control Officer  
Raymond Phair, Fire Chief  
Carol Payne, Secretary to the Supervisor

**Meeting:** Supervisor Cory Ross called the Meeting to Order at 7:00PM, then he asked Rena Bosley to lead them in the "Pledge of Allegiance", which she did.

**2013 Organizational Appointments and Committees:**

**2013 APPOINTMENTS**

Designated Newspapers-----Plattsburgh Press Republican & North Countryman  
Designated Bank-----National Bank & Trust Co. & Community Bank  
Delegate to Association of Towns-NYC-----Gerald LaValley  
Alternate Delegate to AOT NYC-----Steve Barcomb  
Town Officials Exp. Pd. for Attending ATM-----Yes  
Budget Officer-----Cory Ross  
Justices Exp. pd for attending school-----Yes  
Supt. of Hgwy Exp pd for attending school-----Yes  
Deputy Supervisor-----Gerald LaValley  
Dog Control Officer-----Kaleigh LaBombard  
Town Historian appointment-----Carol Nedeau  
Registrar Appointment-----Rena Bosley  
Deputy Registrar Appointment-----Shirley Gadway  
Secretary to the Supervisor-----Carol Payne  
Constable appointment-----Bart Vanluevan  
Code Enforcement Officer Appointed-----Jess Dixon  
Code Enforcement Officer's schooling paid-----Yes  
Deputy Superintendent of Highway-----Ricky Bosley  
Chairman Mooers Youth Comm. appointment-----Tyson Dumas  
Attorney hire as needed-----James Coffey  
Attorney hire as needed (Zoning Issues)-----Thomas Murnane  
Court Clerk (Secretary to Justices)-----Crystal Bulriss  
Town Clerk schooling paid-----Yes  
Deputy Court Clerk #1-----Nettie Rabideau

Deputy Court Clerk #2-----Dennis LaBombard

**Resolution #1-2013**

**ALSO**

**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE 2013**

Ashline Frank-----236-7416	Boulerice Pam-----236-5803
Bulriss Crystal-----236-7428//236-2511	Hawksby Myrtle-----236-7246
Lamberton Beverly-----236-5300//298-2411	Miller Sue-----236-6090
Morelock Edith-----236-7723/236-7744	Sample Scarlett-----236-7759
Snide Margaret-----236-7480	

**Resolution #2-2013**

**ALSO**

**MOOERS YOUTH COMMISSION (3 YEARS) 2013**

Shelly Brooks (Chairperson)

Harry Gonyo

James McComb

**Resolution #3-2013**

**ALSO**

**2013 TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Highway-----Steve Barcomb 236-6609 & Earl Robinson 236-9605  
Fire Dept. Station #1-----Gerald LaValley 236-5587 & Cory Ross 236-7927  
Fire Dept. Station #2-----Eugene Bushey 594-7388 & Gerald LaValley 236-5587  
Zoning & Planning-----Steve Barcomb 236-6609 & Gerald LaValley 236-5587  
Library-----Earl Robinson 236-9605 & Eugene Bushey 594-7388  
Dog Control-----Steve Barcomb 236-6609 & Eugene Bushey 594-7388  
Youth Program-----Earl Robinson 236-9605 & Steve Barcomb 236-6609  
Sidewalks-----Eugene Bushey 594-7388 & Gerald LaValley 236-5587

**Resolution #4-2013**

**ALSO**

**2013 ZONING BOARD COMMITTEE**

Irving Breyette-----2017  
Mike Willette-----2016  
Tony Roberts-----2015  
Gary Provencha-----2014  
Larry Brooks-----2013  
Harry Gonyo (Alternate)-----2015

**Resolution #5-2013**

**ALSO**

**E.M.S. BOARD**

Nedeau, Orville-----2011--2014

Bulriss, Steve-----Expires 2013

Orr, Jack-----Expires 2012

**Resolution n #6-2012**

**ALSO**

**2013 BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW**

Arruda, Robert-----2008 to 2013

Miller, Sheila----- 2009 to 2014

Gonyo, Harry-----2010 to 2015

Kokes David-----2010 to 2015

**Resolution #7-2013**

**ALSO**

**SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD WILL HOLD IT'S REGULAR MEETINGS ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AND IF A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING IS NEEDED OR A REGULAR MEETING HAS TO BE CHANGED A NOTICE FOR THIS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE LEGAL SECTION OF THE NEWSPAPER - ALSO ALL REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE 2013 ZONING BOARD COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON THE FOURTH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AND IF A ZONING BOARD MEETING HAS TO BE CHANGED IT WILL BE POSTED ON THE OFFICE COMPLEX DOOR AND THE BULLETIN BOARD. ALSO ALL MEETING ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**Resolution #8-2013**

Councilman Earl Robinson made a motion all Appointments and Committees be accepted as per resolutions #1,#2,#3,#4,#5,#6,and #8-2012 and Councilman Eugene Bushey seconded the motion. The result of a roll call was 4 AYES (Supervisor Cory Ross, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey and Councilman Gerald LaValley) and 0 NOES. Therefore Supervisor Cory Ross declared **Resolutions #1,#2,#3,#4,#5,#6, #7 and #8-2013** are adopted.

**End of Year Money Transfer Journal:** From time to time money has to be moved from one account to another and especially at the end of the year. Councilman Earl Robinson made a motion the following resolution be adopted;

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THE FOLLOWING MONEY MOVES BE MADE TO THE BUDGET JOURNAL**

**\*\*\*\*\*General\*\*\*\*\***

**Debit A1990.4-----\$63.00-----Special Items - Contingent**

**Credit A1420.4-----\$63.00-----Attorney - Contractual**

**Debit A1990.4-----\$169.80-----Special Items - Contingent**

**Credit A1620.1-----\$169.80-----Personnel - Building**

**Debit A1990.4-----\$988.94-----Special Items - Contingent**

**Credit A3010.4-----\$988.94-----Public Safety - Contractual**

Debit A1990.4-----\$135.00-----Special Items - Contingent

Credit A3510.1-----\$135.00-----Personnel - Dog Control

Debit A1990.4-----\$1,744.41-----Special Item - Contingent

Credit A3510.4-----\$1,744.41-----Dog Control - Contractual

Debit A1990.4-----\$2,094.70-----Special Item - Contingent

Credit A7410.4-----\$2,094.70-----Library - Contractual

Debit A1990.4-----\$872.26-----Special Item - Contingent

Credit A7140.1-----\$872.26-----Personnel - Playground

Debit A3510.42-----\$145.96-----Dog Control - Utilities

Credit A3510.44-----\$145.96-----Dog Control - Contractual Tech. Svc.

Debit A1430.11-----\$2,271.45-----Personnel - Office Assistant

Credit A1430.1-----\$2,271.45-----Personnel - SVC

Debit A1990.4-----\$3,631.89-----Special Item - Contingent

Credit A5132.4-----\$3,631.89-----Garage - Contractual

Debit A5410.4-----\$10,000-----Sidewalks - Contractual

Credit A5132.4-----\$10,000-----Garage - Contractual

Debit A5410.46-----\$4,922.26-----Sidewalks - Snow Removal

Credit A5132.4-----\$4,922.26-----Garage - Contractual

Debit A1430.11-----\$280.66-----Personnel - Office

Credit A1430.1-----\$280.66-----Personnel - SVC

Debit A1620.4-----\$18.04-----Building - Contractual

Credit A1620.1-----\$18.04-----Building - SVC

Debit A1620.4-----\$56.16-----Building - Contractual

Credit A5132.4-----\$56.16-----Garage - Contractual

Debit A9060.8-----\$5,461.32-----Employee Benefit - Medical  
 Credit A9010.8-----\$5,461.32-----Employee Benefit - State Retirement

Debit A9050.8-----\$2,159.27-----Employee Benefit - Unemployment  
 Credit A9010.8-----\$2,159.27-----Employee Benefit - State Retirement

\*\*\*\*\*Highway\*\*\*\*\*

Debit DA5010.1-----\$14,000.00----- Personnel SVC  
 Credit DA5010.4-----\$14,000.00-----Contractual

Debit DA5130.2-----\$37,854.70-----Equipment - Capital Outlay  
 Credit DA5112.2-----\$37,854.70-----Improvement - Capital Outlay

Debit DA5130.2-----\$58,538.97-----Machinery - Equipment  
 Credit DA5130.4-----\$58,538.97-----Machinery - Contractual

Debit DA5112.4-----\$6,711.18----- Improvement - Contingent  
 Credit DA5130.4-----\$6,711.18----- Machinery - Contractual

Debit DA5110.4-----\$11,698.94-----General Repairs  
 Credit DA5110.46-----\$11,698.94-----Diesel & Gas - Contractual

Debit DA5112.1-----\$955.33-----Improvements - Personnel  
 Credit DA5110.46-----\$955.33----- Diesel & Gas - Contractual

Debit DA5142.4-----\$12,806.56----- Snow & Ice - Contractual  
 Credit DA5148.4-----\$12,806.56----- State - Contractual

Debit DA5142.1-----\$21,152.69-----Snow Removal - Personnel  
 Credit DA5148.41-----\$21,152.69-----County - Contractual

Debit DA9030.8-----\$2,301.08-----Employee Benefits - Social Security  
 Credit DA9040.8-----\$2,301.08-----Employee Benefits - Workman's Comp.

Debit DA5112.4-----\$40.00-----Equipment - Improvements  
 Credit DA5110.4-----\$40.00-----General Repairs - Contractual

Debit DA5112.4-----\$1,349.46-----Improvements - Contractual  
Credit DA5112.2-----\$1,349.46-----Equipment - Improvements

\*\*\*\*\*Fire Department\*\*\*\*\*

Debit SF1-1990.4-----\$4,240.01-----Special Items-Contingent Acct  
Credit SF1-1620.4-----\$4,240.01-----Fuel Oil - Contractual

Debit SF1-1990.4-----\$3,867.50-----Special Items-Contingent Acct  
Credit SF1-3410.4-----\$3,867.50-----Public Safety-Contractual

Debit SF1-5130.2-----\$17,985.60-----Machinery - Equipment  
Credit SF1-5110.4-----\$17,985.60-----General Repairs-Contractual

Debit SF1-5130.2-----\$5,486.64-----Machinery - Equipment  
Credit SF1-5130.4-----\$5,486.64-----Machinery - Contractual

Debit SF1-1990.4-----\$2,011.14-----Special Items-Contingent Acct  
Credit SF1-5130.4-----\$2,011.14-----Machinery - Contractual

**Whereas;** motion was seconded by Councilman Steve Barcomb and a result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Cory Ross, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey and Councilman Gerald LaValley) and 0 NOES, and

**Therefore;** Supervisor Ross declared **Resolution #9-2012** is adopted.

**Minutes:** All the Board Members were asked if they had read their copies of the December 11 & 31, 2012 Minutes they all replied yes. Supervisor Cory Ross then asked if there were any omissions or corrections of which there was one. It was written that a new loader was sent out for repair when, in fact, it was an old loader. This correction was then made. Councilman Gerald LaValley then made a motion to accept the December 11 & 31, 2012 Minutes as written and Councilman Eugene Bushey seconded the Motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Cory Ross declared Minutes accepted as written.

**Surplus Trucks:** Supervisor Ross said that we need to make a resolution to surplus the older trucks that were going to be scrapped before they could be turned over for such purpose. After some discussion Councilman Gerald LaValley made a motion the following resolution be adopted:

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS DECLARES THE 83 TANDUM, 90 SINGLE AXLE, 91 SINGLE AXLE INTERNATIONALS AND THE OLD PARTS BLONOX TO BE CLASSIFIED AS SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE SCAPPED AS THE EQUIPMENT IS OF NO USE TO THE TOWN OR MOOERS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.**

Councilman Eugene Bushey seconded the motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Cory Ross, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey and Councilman Gerald LaValley) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Cory Ross declared **Resolution #11-2013** adopted.

**Supervisor Cory Ross** let everyone know that he had attended a meeting for the Clinton County Pre-Disaster Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. He was sure that they were up to date on most of the planning but that it would probably be a good thing to review and be sure that all plans were in place.

**North Country Life Flight:** The Town received a letter and resolution from North Country Life Flight, Inc. asking if we were going to sign a new contract with them. Councilman Steve Barcomb made a motion the following resolution be adopted;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MOOERS HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH NORTH COUNTRY LIFE FLIGHT, INC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING THE MEDICAL COMPONENT OF THE MEDEVAC PROGRAM, WHICH WILL SERVE ITS RESIDENTS AND VISITORS, AND PAYING THE AMOUNT OF \$200 WHICH REPRESENTS THE TOWN'S SHARE FOR 2013; AND BE IT**

**FURTHER RESOLVED: THAT THE SUM OF \$200 IS APPROPRIATED TO ACCOUNT NO. A4989.4 FOR PAYMENT TO NORTH COUNTRY LIFE FLIGHT, INC.**

Councilman Earl Robinson seconded the motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Cory Ross, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey and Councilman Gerald LaValley) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Cory Ross declared **Resolution #10-2013** adopted.

**Library/Community Center:** Councilman Earl Robinson gave a small presentation of findings by the library/community center committee.

The first concern was location:

A. Next to the Town Offices: Noted Problems - During the past couple of years court arraignments for violent felons in the town court have increased and there have been events in which the parking lot has been utilized for other police matters.

B. Expanding the Town Offices: Noted Problems - Cutting into the parking lot, drainage ditch approx. 30 feet out, boiler system may have to be upgraded, reduced size of library to 1260 sq ft, estimate of materials would exceed \$20,000, court house may need to be expanded and the list continues... This idea was vetoed by committee.

C. 1 1/3 acres across from L & M: Positives - clear of brush, off Route 11, local wells are around 70ft, sandy soil, sufficient size lot for landscaping and cost of land is free. Noted problems - Narrow access, entrance to property in 45mph zone, no well, another perk test and cost of surveying.

D. Land donated by Catholic Church on Maple Street about 5 acres: Positives - Off Rt 11, trees for shade, level property, room for expansion, land is free and both democrats and republicans go to the church. Noted Problems - Again, another perk test, surveying and drilling a well, also clearing the lot and fill.

Fact about old library: "If anyone chooses to complain about the library not being in compliance. Then the cost of building a new community center would be small in comparison to what it would cost the Town to bring all its buildings into conformity. The ADA would check all Town buildings not just the library. Do we really want an outside agency telling the Town taxpayers how they are going to spend our assets?"

Second concern was cost:

A. Research led to some figures for a completed structure at \$50 to \$75 per sq ft. That equal \$100,000 to \$150,000. Variables would include what is needed for a septic and how deep a well would need to be and heating system used to name a few. Approximately 1/2 to 1/3 of the money is already established. Where will the rest come from? The library is researching for more grants. Larry Begor has stated that there are contractors and individuals willing to donate time to help keep down costs. The selling of the old library's bricks. If not a onetime increase in taxes by less than \$1.00 per thousand would cover all expenses. Also, by building offsite, if we no longer need a library the building could always be used for other practical purposes.

It was also added that Doc and Sue Evans were willing to donate some land across from the school. So with new options coming in at the last minute Supervisor Cory Ross tabled any decisions until next month's meeting.

**Official Undertaking:** It was brought to the Towns attention that certain paperwork needed to be in place concerning the official undertaking so Councilman Gerald LaValley made a motion that the following resolution be adopted:

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MOOERS APPROVE THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "TOWN OF MOOERS OFFICIAL UNDERTAKING OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS" AS TO ITS FORM AND MANNER OF EXECUTION AND THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE INSURANCE, AND**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT SAID OFFICIAL UNDERTAKING CONTAINING THE NOTARIZED SIGNATURES OF THOSE NAMED MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS BE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK, AS WELL AS THE ORIGINAL COPIES OF THE INSURANCE POLICIES INDICATING THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE SURETIES TO INDEMNIFY THE TOWN AGAINST LOSSES WHICH MAY ARISE FROM FAILURE OF SUCH OFFICIALS TO PROPERLY DISCHARGE THEIR DUTIES.**

Councilman Eugene Bushey seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Cory Ross, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey and Councilman Gerald LaValley) and 0 NOES. Therefore Supervisor Cory Ross declared **Resolution #12-2013** is adopted.

**Highway:** Highway Supervisor Eugene Boulerice handed in the report for total cost of the State Road upkeep for the month of December as being \$23,155.46.

**Dog Control:** DCO Kaleigh LaBombard handed in the itemized report for December 2012 which showed the following: 12/3/12 - took call from 7 Higgins St about a cat in the garage. Told him to call Elmore SPCA. 12/05/12 - Champlain / Rouses Point Kiwanis Club asked me to be guest speaker. Gave supplies for dogs. 12/10/12 - John Dell left message about dogs in his chicken coop but left no number or address. 12/11/12 - North Country SPCA took in 1 female walker to be adopted. 12/02/12, 12/11/12 & 12/12/12 - complaints of dog running on North Star Road. Mailed letter to owner, it was returned with wrong address, re-mailed to new address. 12/17/12 - White English Setter tied to my barn door with orange collar. 12/18/12 - Brought last walker to Franklin County Humane Society to be adopted. 12/20/12 - Brought English Setter to Palmers. It has infected hot spots. 12/23/12 - Nicole Hemmingway called to say I had her dog. Made pickup arrangements but never showed. 12/17/12 - Lionel Peryea from Altona brought in Yellow Lab. It had nine puppies on Jan 2nd. 12/27/12 - Call came in for a cat. Told them to call Elmore's or Adirondack Humane Society. 12/25/12 - Beagle missing on the Boas Rd. Found on the Monty Rd and returned.

**Fire Department:** Raymond Phair, Fire Chief handed in reports from November and December. Said they tore down the old pump house. Asked if the Town was up to date on NIMS and ICS training. He also asked Dickie if they could keep the Town Garage drive way plowed out. Some new gear came in but they are still waiting on a couple of items. Some came in way too big. He also asked about getting narrow banding for dispatching. Wells communications is looking at the change over for them. 12 radios need replacing because they cannot be updated. Cost is estimated at about \$3,100. November's report contained the following: Station #1 had 8 calls, Station #2 had 1 call, Town had 4 calls and Mutual Aid had 4 calls---Incident types were House=1---Garage=1---MVA=1---Grass/Brush=1---Stand By=2---Other(Broken water line)=1--Other(tree down)=1. Mutual aid to Champlain=1---Ellenburg Depot=1---Hemmingford=1---



Isle LaMotte=1. Vehicle 251(Pumper) used 3 times, vehicle 252(Brush Truck) used 2 times, vehicle 253(Squad) used 1 time, vehicle 254(Pumper) used 5 times, vehicle 257(Heavy Rescue) used 2 times, vehicle 258(Tanker) used 2 times and vehicle 25-AIR(Air Truck) used 1 time. December's report contained the following: Station #1 had 13 calls, Station #2 had 3 calls, Town had 9 calls and Mutual Aid had 4 calls---Incident types were House=4---Vehicle Fire=2---Chimney=1---Good Intent=3---Rekindle=1---Other(Electrical Outlet)=1---Other(CO2)=1. Mutual aid to Champlain=2---Hemmingford=1---Alburg=1. We had mutual aid from Altona=1---Champlain=1---Rouses Point=1---Hemmingford=1. Vehicle 251(Pumper) used 5 times, vehicle 252(Brush Truck) used 1 time, vehicle 253(Squad) used 2 times, vehicle 254(Pumper) used 4 times, vehicle 257(Heavy Rescue) used 6 times, vehicle 258(Tanker) used 3 times, vehicle 259(Pumper) used 1 time and vehicle 25-AIR(Air Truck) used 3 times.

**Vouchers:** The Audited Vouchers to be paid off the Abstracted Vouchers on January 8, 2013 are as follows:

General - Townwide-----	(Vouchers 1 - 18 )-----	\$ 14,323.51
Highway - Townwide-----	(Voucher 1 - 10 )-----	36,695.29
Mooers Ambulance District-----	(Voucher 2)-----	69,168.09
Mooers Fire Protection-----	(Voucher 600-609 )-----	8,810.06
Mooers Forks Lights-----	(Voucher 14)-----	408.91
Mooers Lights-----	(Voucher 14)-----	<u>707.87</u>

**Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid-----\$130,113.73**

**Adjourn:** After Supervisor Cory Ross asked if there were any more new or old business Councilman Eugene Bushey made a motion the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Earl Robinson seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Cory Ross, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES. Thus, Supervisor Cory Ross declared motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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RENA M BOSLEY, TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR