

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held
January 8, 2019 at the Mooers Office Complex commencing at 7:00 PM**

Present: Jeff Menard, Supervisor
Donald Perras, Councilperson
Eugene "Dickie" Boulerice, Councilperson
Irving Breyette, Councilperson
Christopher Bulriss, Councilperson

Recording Secretary: Kelly L. McDonald, Town Clerk

Others Present: Kayleigh LaBombard, Dog Control Officer
Jess Dixon, Code Enforcement Officer
Myrtle Hawksby, Beautification
Dan Dumas, Fire Chief
Art Menard, Library

Absent: Kris Gilmore, Highway Superintendent

Meeting: Supervisor Jeff Menard called the Meeting to Order at 7:00PM. Supervisor Menard asked Mrs. Kelly McDonald to lead them in the "Pledge of Allegiance," which she did.

Minutes: All the Board Members were asked if they had read their copies of the December 10, 2018 and December 31, 2018 meeting minutes. Councilperson Perras made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Bulriss. The result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES. Therefore, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried and the Minutes accepted as written.

Supervisor Menard stated that before they got to the regular part of the meeting, the appointments needed to be done, as it was the start of the year. Supervisor Menard read the following appointments and resolutions (Resolution #1-2019 to #9-2019):

RESOLUTION FOR 2019 APPOINTMENTS OF PEOPLE AND/OR BUSINESSES TO REPRESENT THE TOWN OF MOOERS IN DAILY BUSINESS

Whereas; at the beginning of every year people and/or businesses are appointed to aid the Town of Mooers in its daily operations, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AND/OR BUSINESSES BE APPOINTED TO AIDE THE TOWN OF MOOERS IN ITS DAILY OPERATION IN 2019,

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| 1.Designated Newspapers | Plattsburgh Press Republican & North Countryman |
| 2.Designated Bank | Community Bank, Champlain |
| 3.Delegate to Association of Towns NYC | Jeff Menard |
| 4.Alternate Delegate to AOT NYC | Donald Perras |
| 5.Town Officials Expenses Paid for Attending AOT NYC | Yes |
| 6.Budget Officer | Jeff Menard |
| 7.Justices expenses paid for attending school | Yes |
| 8.Supt. of Highway expenses paid for attending school | Yes |
| 9.Deputy Supervisor | Donald Perras |

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss

Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.

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| 10.Dog Control Officer | Kaleigh LaBombard |
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Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Boulerice

Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 2 AYES (Councilperson Boulerice and Supervisor Menard), and 3 NOES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Bulriss and Councilperson Breyette).

11. Town Historian appointment Larry Marnes
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Breyette
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerville, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.
12. Registrar Appointment Kelly McDonald
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerville, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.
13. Deputy Registrar Appointment Rena Bosley
14. Secretary to the Supervisor Rena Bosley
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Perras
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerville, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.
15. Code Enforcement Officer Appointed Jess Dixon
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Boulerville
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 1 AYES (Councilperson Boulerville), and 4 NOES (Councilperson Perras, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette).
16. Code Enforcement Officer's schooling paid yes
17. Deputy Superintendent of Highway
18. Chairman Mooers Youth Commission Tyson Dumas
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Perras
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerville, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.
19. Attorney hire as needed Matthew Favro
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerville, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.
20. Court Clerk Jessica Bulriss
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Perras
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerville, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.
21. Court Clerk schooling paid yes
22. Deputy Court Clerk #1 Crystal Bulriss
Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Breyette
Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerville, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.

23.Assessor

Larry Wolff

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Breyette

Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.

Discussion: yes

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #1-2019** adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION FOR 2019 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Whereas; at the first meeting of the Town Board each year a Beautification Committee is appointed, and **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE BE APPOINTED TO THE 2019 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

Bulriss, Crystal	236-7428/236-2511	Hawksby, Myrtle	236-7246
Lamberton, Beverly	236-5300/298-2411	Morelock, Edie	236-7723/236-7744
Sample, Scarlett	236-7759	Lloyd, Brandi	569-4792
Snide, Margaret	236-7480	Troutman, JoAnna	N/A

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Breyette

Discussion: none

Whereas; the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #2-2019** adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION FOR 2019 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ASSIGNMENTS

Whereas; each year at the January meeting the Town Board appoints a Zoning Board Committee, and **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE BE APPOINTED FOR THE 2019 ZONING BOARD COMMITTEE**

Mike Willette (Chairperson)	
Tony Roberts	2020
Jane Hitchcock	2020
John Gordon	2020
Jessie Lavalley	2020
Miranda Grabie (Alt #1)	2020

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss

Discussion: yes

Whereas; the result of a Roll Call was 4 AYES (Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES, and 1 ABSTAIN (Councilperson Perras)

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #3-2019** is adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION TO MAKE 2019 APPOINTMENTS TO EMS BOARD

Whereas; The Town of Mooers Board appoints three (3) persons to represent the Town of Mooers on the E.M.S Board, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS APPOINT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO SERVE ON THE E.M.S BOARD FOR THE FOLLOWING TERMS

Bill Loudon	Expires 2021
Roger Favreau	Expires 2022
Steve Menard	Expires 2023

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Breyette

Discussion: No

Whereas; the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #4-2019** adopted.

DATED January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT 2019 BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Whereas; On Grievance Day the Town needs someone to listen to complaints property owners have regarding their assessments, and

Whereas; If the Town doesn't appoint a Board then the County has to come to listen to the complaints, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE BE APPOINTED TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

David Kokes	October 2015 to September 2020
Michael Deneault	January 2019 to September 2024

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Perras

Discussion: yes

Whereas; the result of a Roll Call was 4 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, and Councilperson Bulriss), 1 ABSTAIN (Councilperson Breyette), and 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #5-2019** adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE TOWN BOARD AND

ZONING BOARD MEETINGS

Whereas; the Town is required to schedule meetings for the year 2019, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD WILL HOLD ITS REGULAR MEETINGS ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH COMMENCING AT 7PM. IF A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING IS NEEDED OR A REGULAR MEETING HAS TO BE CHANGED, A NOTICE WILL BE POSTED. A NOTICE OF SUCH WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE LEGAL SECTION OF THE NEWSPAPER WHEN TIME ALLOWS. ALL REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE 2019 ZONING BOARD COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD QUARTERLY, DATE AND TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Breyette

Discussion: No

The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #6-2019** adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MOOERS TO AMEND DUTIES OF SUPERVISOR AS COVERED BY SECTION 5-18 OF TOWN LAW #125 WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

Whereas; the supervisor shall payout money only upon warrant, order or draft of the Town Clerk after allowance of the Town Board, and

THE SUPERVISOR SHALL WITHOUT PRIOR AUDIT MAKE PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE OF AUDIT OF CLAIMS FOR PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICES SUCH AS GAS, ELECTRIC, WATER, SEWER, FUEL OIL AND TELEPHONE SERVICES, AS WELL AS FOR POSTAGE, FREIGHT AND EXPRESS CHARGES [TOWN LAW 118 (2)]. CLAIMS FOR THESE PAYMENTS SHALL BE PRESENTED AT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING FOR AUDIT. THE SUPERVISOR MAY ALSO OFFICIALLY BECOME SIGNATURE ON CHECKS. THE SUPERVISOR MAY ALSO MAKE DECISIONS WHERE NEEDED TO KEEP THE TOWN RUNNING UNTIL THE BOARD IS ABLE TO RECONVEYN.

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Perras

Discussion: no

The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #7-2019** is adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION GRANTING HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT PERMISSION TO MAKE NECESSARY PURCHASES WITHOUT BOARD APPROVAL

Whereas; The Highway Department needs to purchase items necessary for daily operations and are unable to wait for board approval

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED PERMISSION BE GRANTED TO THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT THAT HE IS ALLOWED TO MAKE NECESSARY PURCHASES FOR DAILY OPERATIONS OF THE MOOERS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00 WITHOUT PRIOR BOARD APPROVAL WITH THE STIPULATION HE OR SHE PROVIDES RECIEPTS FOR AUDIT AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING, and

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Breyette

Discussion: yes

The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #8-2018** is adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

RESOLUTION FOR CHAMPLAIN-MOOERS JOINT SWIMMING PROGRAM AGREEMENT

Whereas; pursuant to section 422 of Executive Law, municipalities may establish youth bureaus, youth services, and other youth programs, and

Whereas; pursuant to General Municipal Law Articles 5G municipal corporations are authorized to enter into cooperative agreements, and

Whereas; The Champlain Joint Youth Program (Town of Champlain, Village of Champlain, and Village of Rouses Point) and the Town of Mooers wish to enter into such a cooperative agreement for the purpose of benefiting the youth swimming program of their respective municipalities, and also for the purpose of qualifying for state aid.

Therefore, Be It Resolved; The Town of Mooers agrees to enter into a joint swimming program agreement with The Champlain Joint Youth Program.

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss

Discussion: yes

The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared Resolution #9-2019 is adopted.

Dated: January 8, 2019

After they were read, Ms. Kayleigh LaBombard, Dog Control Officer asked what happens with her job now. Supervisor Menard replied with, Good Question, and said it was something the Board would have to discuss. Ms. LaBombard stated she would like to be able to keep her job, as she has done it for 7 years and has put herself through a lot of training. Supervisor Menard agreed and said it was something the Board would have to discuss. Ms. LaBombard stated that this was not something she did for a paycheck, but she was passionate about it. Supervisor Menard stated that he thought she did a good job and they will be in touch.

Highway: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Highway Department would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board. Supervisor Menard stated that Highway Superintendent was not present due to the impending storm.

Library: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Library would like to address the board. Mr. Art Menard stated that if they were to get significant snow they would be closed until Friday morning so there was no rush to get things plowed. Mr. Menard stated that they had gotten some grants and that the Betty Little grant had come through. For the past three years they have put that grant towards the construction fund but that this year they were able to put it towards the operating fund. It was for \$2,500 and helps the budget out a lot. The Library also received \$1,250 from the Billy Jones Grant. The Library is hoping to use this to build a storage shed when the rest of this grant comes in, it should total \$5,000. The big job over the next few months is the furniture for the Library. They were hoping to use the prison in Vermont that built the furniture for the Chateaugay Prison but the gentleman retired that ran the program. The Library has to get the furniture over the next 2-3 months with the grant, so they are actively looking. Mr. Menard reminded everyone that Jennifer Lavigne is the new Library Director and that she is doing a great job. Feel free to stop by and say hi, they are open Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturdays.

Dog Control: Supervisor Menard stated that he had the Dog Control Report. Supervisor Menard asked what they were going to do for Dog Control, if they were going to advertise. Councilperson Perras said they could and see if there was interest. Supervisor Menard said the DCO had gone out 12 times in November. Ms. LaBombard stated that at times her phones goes off many times

during the night. Supervisor Menard said they would put it out for advertisement and see if there were any bites. Supervisor Menard asked if that was the consensus of the Board and they said yes. Ms. LaBombard asked if she was covering in the meantime, or if she was done. Supervisor Menard said he thought she was done for now.

Beautification: Mrs. Myrtle Hawksby said the lights needed to come down. Supervisor Menard said they would work on that.

Youth Program: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Youth Commission would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board.

Town Historian: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the office of The Town Historian would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the Board.

Tax Assessor: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the office of the Assessor would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board.

Fire Department: Supervisor Menard read the report submitted by Mr. Dan Dumas, Fire Chief. There were 16 calls for the month of December There were 8 Mutual Aid and 8 for the Town. (179 for the year so far). Mr. Dumas said it was the busiest year of all time. He said the Air Truck left New Years Eve, so they are no longer providing air for the northern part of Clinton County, it has gone to Beekmantown, Station 2. Mr. Dumas discussed the new truck being at the station and he would be happy to show anyone after the meeting if they were interested.

EMS: Supervisor Menard stated that he had the EMS report. There were 96 total calls for December and 1,234 calls for the year. There were 52 calls for Champlain, 30 for Mooers and 14 for Rouses Point for December. Supervisor Menard went last Wednesday to sign the papers on the Morelock Building, the building officially is owned by the Town of Mooers. Supervisor Menard stated that they started work on the building today, getting it ready for EMS to move in. They are getting the floors down and the bathroom fixed up, then the EMS Staff can move in. The building has insurance as of today.

Court: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the office of Court would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board. Supervisor Menard read the Court Report that was submitted for the month of December; \$6,386 was brought in for the month. \$4,561 of that went to the State, \$125 to the County and \$1,700 to the Town of Mooers.

Code Enforcement: Supervisor Menard asked what are they going to do with Code Enforcement, were they also going to put that out to advertise. Councilperson Boulerville asked if anyone was interested, and Supervisor Menard said not that he knew of. He stated they had someone that may fill in. Councilperson Boulerville asked why everyone voted no then if they didn't have any one to take his place and start training. Councilperson Boulerville said it was going to start getting busy in another couple months. Supervisor Menard said they have had a lot of complaints. Councilperson Boulerville said he knew that he had, but said he thought Supervisor Menard had talked to Mr. Dixon and settled it out. Supervisor Menard said he did but a lot of complaints were just recently. Councilperson Boulerville said he knew where they were coming from. Supervisor Menard stated it was a lot more than Councilperson Boulerville knew about. Councilperson Boulerville said he had talked to a lot of contractors that were happy with him. He asked how long it was going to take and asked who was going to want to take his place. Supervisor Menard said that's what they were going to find out.

Old Business:

Old Business 1) Supervisor Menard talked about the Solar Farm, they want to do the 4th one. He spoke with Rene McFarland, head of IDA and because they are going to be producing more kilowatts, they won't get as much money for #4. They are looking for a reduction in the Pilot Program. Supervisor Menard said there is a possibility they won't do the 4th project if they don't get the reduction, although they did not come right out and say that. They are also looking at 2 more farms across the road. Supervisor Menard said they have to look at it as more than losing half the Pilot Program, they are still going to put up a \$3 million plus farm that we are going to get assessment on for special districts. And if they put up 2 more farms next year, they will have the money coming from that. Councilperson Boulerville asked how much reduction and Supervisor Menard said half of the \$19,000 of the one farm. Supervisor Menard said the owners were willing to have the road paved and maintained which means it wouldn't have to be taken off the inventory and still have for their CHIPS. Supervisor Menard said it would be a little over than less \$190,000 over 20 years. But if they walk away and don't

continue, we would lose a lot more than that. Councilperson Bulriss stated they haven't guaranteed they would do the other two farms, Supervisor Menard said no but they are in the planning stages. Councilperson Boulерice asked if they could meet half way or if they could negotiate. Supervisor Menard said it was not set in stone. Supervisor Menard said maybe they could ask for \$12,000 or \$13,000. Councilperson Breyette asked what they would be getting for the other plots and Supervisor Menard said it would be at least what they are getting now on each farm. They are all 10 acres. Councilperson Perras confirmed that it was \$19,000 per farm, per year for 20 years, Supervisor Menard said yes. Councilperson Perras said with the 3 they have now and the reduction farm the revenue is over a million dollars over 20 years. Supervisor Menard said right and with 2 more added on to that. Supervisor Menard said he can go back and ask if they can split the reduction a little. Councilperson Boulерice asked if they don't give the reduction, are they saying they won't do it? Supervisor Menard said that's what they are thinking. Supervisor Menard said he had a meeting last week with Rob Garrand and Mike Zurlo from the county, and with Rene McFarland, from the IDA. The reduction was asked because the 3 other farms are putting more megawatts out than they thought. Councilperson Boulерice asked if they could go a little more, and if not, they may have to bite the bullet, but that a little bit of money is better than nothing. Councilperson Perras asked if they could give them a 25% or 30% reduction with the understanding that they will do the other 2 farms and if they don't then we go back to the original. Mrs. Myrtle Hawksby asked that wouldn't you ask for it to be in writing? Supervisor Menard said that's what the IDA would do and they just have to get back to them. Mr. Zurlo and Mr. Garrand said whatever they do, they have to stick together and do it all the same. It won't affect them as much as the town. Supervisor Menard asked what they wanted to do if they didn't go for it. Councilperson Bulriss said then they can't be too serious about the other 2 farms then. Councilperson Boulерice asked if they were going to want half off the next 2 projects as well, and Supervisor Menard said no they would be full price. Supervisor Menard told them if this goes it is a one-time deal. Councilperson Breyette asked if they had to make a motion on it. Supervisor Menard said yes or do we say we'll do it for 12,000 for the year? With the condition that the other 2 go up. Supervisor Menard said he will entertain a motion for \$12,000 with the stipulation that they do the other 2 projects. Councilperson Bulriss made the 1st motion, Councilperson Breyette seconded the motion. Result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES. Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

Old Business 2)

Councilperson Boulерice asked if they had decided anything on the parking lot, is the town was going to plow it? Supervisor Menard said Superintendent Gilmore had not gotten back to him on it. Someone stated that the town had done it last time. Councilperson Boulерice asked if they had anyone for sidewalks. Supervisor Menard said no and that apparently Superintendent Gilmore had not asked anyone. Councilperson Boulерice said when he was the Highway Superintendent the old Board decided they wanted the Highway Department to do it instead of going out to bid, which saved quite a bit of money. Councilperson Boulерice stated he hadn't wanted anything to do with it, but they threw it on him and he took the responsibility. He had a loader down here with a push blade all set up. He stated there were problems at first but they made it work. He said with the pusher, loaders and skid steers the town has now he doesn't know what the excuse is. Councilperson Boulерice said it had been thrown on him, he assumed the responsibility and got going on it, then Superintendent Gilmore should be able to do the same. Supervisor Menard said when Superintendent Gilmore first took over that was why they bought the truck with the plow, to do the parking lot. Supervisor Menard said there is no reason why he can't. Most of the time it can be done with the plow, as well as the library and Station #2. The EMS building will also need to be plowed. Councilperson Boulерice said they used to leave the tractor plugged in at Station #2 and they would do it themselves, and the Highway Department would fix the tractor if needed. Supervisor Menard said that Superintendent Gilmore said the tractor wasn't running that good last time he asked, that there were some issues with it. Supervisor Menard said they were going to check with Randy Donah to see if he was interested in some part time work. Councilperson Boulерice asked if Tom was interested. Supervisor Menard said he didn't know. Supervisor Menard said they could advertise for that as well.

New Business:**New Business 1)**

Supervisor Menard explained the Town goes through Comp Alliance for Workman's Comp insurance, they redid their bylaws so we need to do a motion to accept their bylaws to stay with them. Town Clerk, Mrs. Kelly McDonald, read the resolution.

Resolution NYS Municipal Workers Compensation Alliance Plan

Whereas; there has been proposed a "New York State Municipal Workers' Compensation Alliance Plan Document" pursuant to Section 50 3-a of the Workers' Compensation Law (hereinafter "the Plan"); and

Whereas the Town of Mooers is eligible for membership in the Plan; and

Whereas, the Town of Mooers has made an independent investigation of the Plan and reviewed the Plan document, and has concluded that it would be in the interests of the Town of Mooers to participate therein; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Town of Mooers enter into membership in the Plan pursuant to Section 50 Subdivision 3-a of the Workers' Compensation Law; and be it further

Resolved, that Supervisor Menard be and hereby is authorized and instructed to execute the Plan's charter document on behalf of the Town of Mooers; and be it further

Resolved, that the custody of all joint Plan moneys by the Plan Administrator under the Plan be and the same hereby is approved.

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Boulерice

Discussion: No

Whereas; the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #10-2019** adopted.

DATED: January 8, 2019

New Business 2)
Resolution.

Mrs. McDonald, Town Clerk, read The Budget Modification

RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET MODIFICATION

Whereas; The need has arisen where money in the Budget for the accounts as listed have exceeded the original appropriation, and

Whereas; The funds to cover the difference be made available as listed, as per the secretary to the board; and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING FUNDS BE MOVED IN THE BUDGET JOURNAL TO THE DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS

Move \$2,134.64 from Contingency A1990.4
to Assessor – Contract w/County A1355.41

Move \$262.83 from Contingency A1990.4
to Town Clerk – Contractual A1410.4

Move \$5,332.12 from Contingency A1990.4
to Buildings – Equipment A1620.2

Move \$5,476.16 from Employee Benefits A9040.8
to Building Maintenance A1620.4

Move \$1,638.31 from Employee Benefits A9040.8
to Superintendent of Highways Expenses A5010.4

Move \$6,548.88 from Playground & Rec Park Equipment A7140.2
to Garage Building Maintenance A5132.46

Move \$542.74 from Employee Benefits A9040.8
to Code Enforcement Expenses A8664.4

Move \$6,187.94 from Employee Benefits Hosp & Med Ins DA9060.8
to General Repairs Payroll DA5110.1

Move \$13,928.53 from Employee Benefits Hosp & Med Ins DA9060.8
to State Snow Removal – Salt DA5144.4

Motion: Supervisor Menard
Seconded by: Councilperson Boulерice
Discussion: No

The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #11-2019** is adopted

DATED: January 8, 2019

New Business 3) Mrs. McDonald, Town Clerk, read the Resolution to enter into Contract with Ellenburg Fire District #21.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND SIGN FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICE CONTRACT

Whereas; there is a need to renew the contract with Ellenburg Depot Fire District #21 for Fire Protection and Emergency Services;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS ACCEPTS THE FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES CONTRACT AS WRITTEN AND THE CONTRACT BE SIGNED

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Perras

Discussion: Yes

The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #12-2019**

DATED: January 8, 2019

New Business 4) Supervisor Menard read the Town Board Committee assignments for the year 2019.

RESOLUTION FOR 2019 TOWN BOARD ASSIGNMENTS

Whereas; All Town Board Members are nominated each year for Committee Assignments, and

Whereas; The 2019 Committee Assignments have expired, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING TOWN BOARD MEMBERS BE APPOINTED TOWN BOARD COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR 2019

Highway	Dick Boulерice 236-5803 & Chris Bulriss 236-6027
Fire Dept. Station #1	Chris Bulriss 236-6027 & Jeff Menard 236-7552
Fire Dept. Station #2	Chris Bulriss 236-6027 & Jeff Menard 236-7552
Zoning & Planning	Donald Perras 236-6609 & Irving Breyette
Library	Irving Breyette & Donald Perras 236-6609
Dog Control	Dick Boulерice 236-5803 & Jeff Menard 236-7552
Youth Program	Chris Bulriss 236-6027 & Jeff Menard 236-7552
Sidewalks	Chris Bulriss 236-6027 & Dick Boulерice 236-5803

Cemeteries	Irving Breyette & Jeff Menard 236-7552
Windmills	Dick Boulerice 236-5803 & Jeff Menard 236-7552
Solar	Donald Perras 236-6609 & Irving Breyette

Motion: Supervisor Menard**Seconded by: Councilperson Perras****Discussion: none**

Whereas; the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette) and 0 NOES.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #13-2019** adopted.

DATED January 8, 2019

Public Comment:

Public Comment 1) Mr. Irving Garrand said he was interested in being Dog Catcher. Supervisor Menard said ok and to put in an application.

Public Comment 2) Mr. Kurt Delong said he was interested in the distribution of funds received from the Solar and Wind Panels. He asked how that was going to be distributed in the community. Supervisor Menard said that it goes into the budget. Mr. Delong asked "and?". Supervisor Menard said they hadn't decided what they were going to do with it, that they haven't even gotten it yet. Mr. Delong asked if it would be used to reduce people's taxes. Supervisor Menard said that was the plan. Councilperson Bulriss said Solar only pays taxes on Special Districts, Fire and EMS, therefore it will lower the tax rate for these items. Mr. Delong said the reason he asked is because he heard rumors about reducing taxes on people who maybe weren't well off in the area. Supervisor Menard said no, what NYSEDA is doing, is taking one megawatt out of the farm and setting it aside to offer to low income people that sign up for it and if they meet the criteria, they can receive free electricity. Mr. Delong asked if Supervisor Menard was in agreement with that. Supervisor Menard said they have no say in it, that it is through NYSEDA and the Solar Farm, and nothing to do with the Town. He stated it's on private property and a private company. Supervisor Menard said NYSEDA is funding part of the project, that's why they did that. Supervisor Menard said he could mention it to the owners doing it. Mr. Delong said they already get free heat, someone else said free everything. Mr. Delong said when they get their HEAP, they sell the gas in 5-gallon pails. Supervisor Menard said that's something Mr. Delong should run by NYSEDA they are the ones that push this. Someone stated the town should look into it, that really, they are going to give it to who knows? Supervisor Menard said he doesn't know if the Solar Company has anything to do with it, NYSEDA is the one that contacted him about the program. Supervisor Menard said he could dig into it, he has to talk to them anyways. Councilperson Perras stated that electricity wasn't as tangible as fuel that you could sell. Supervisor Menard said you can blame that on Mr. Cuomo. Mr. Delong said maybe Supervisor Menard could explain to the company how much is given to these individuals already, when you talk about housing, free stamps, free cell phones, HEAP. Supervisor Menard said he knew what he was talking about. Mr. Delong said he could see if you wanted to distribute it to everyone in the community. Supervisor Menard said he originally thought that was the plan, everyone would have a reduction in their electricity if they wanted to sign up. Supervisor Menard said he heard some people got contacted but he hadn't heard. Someone stated they had gotten a few things in the mail. Supervisor Menard said he would mention it to them, but didn't think it would go very far. Mr. Delong said he should do more than just mention it to them, he should say "Hey, there's enough freebies going around they don't need to have that". Supervisor Menard said he thought it came from the Albany direction but he will let them know. Someone stated they were doing this so they don't have to pay so much.

Public Comment 3) Mrs. Myrtle Hawksby said she was interested to know why they had to move money around, when they just had a new budget why are they moving money around already. Supervisor Menard stated that some budgets went over and some didn't use as much. Mrs. Hawksby asked if it was money left over, and not the new budget. Supervisor Menard said no, it was last years budget and it was to balance everything out for the end of the year.

Public Comment 4)

Mr. Garrand asked where he would get the form to fill out. Supervisor Menard said he didn't know, but to stop in and see Rena to fill it out. Mr. Garrand said he thought it was an appointed thing, he was told before. Supervisor Menard said it was, they were going to reappoint Ms. Labombard but it didn't happen. Mr. Garrand said at least it should be someone that is from the town and the tax dollars should stay in the town. Supervisor Menard said they should have first choice. Mr. Garrand said and if then no one wants it, then go out. He asked if mileage is paid to do this, when you take a dog to Malone or come get it to take up there. Supervisor Menard said yes. Mr. Garrand said, so she lives halfway almost to Churubusco so we waste money paying her to come down here then go back. He said it isn't right to the tax payer. Supervisor Menard said he had to double check on it but is pretty sure she gets mileage. Mr. Garrand said another thing is Ms. Labombard said a Sherriff would come in and answer a call, but he didn't feel the Sherriff should have anything to do with Dog Catcher. Mr. Garrand said if something happens at the school or something and they over catching some dog where the person should be doing his job. He said it should be dog catcher taking care of dog catching. Supervisor Menard said he has been going at this on his 6th year and he has had more complaints on dogs than he has on anything in this town. He said everyone is worried about their dogs. Supervisor Menard said he feels it should belong to the Sherriff Department. Mr. Garrand said if they are going to do it, that's one thing but they shouldn't be paying somebody to do it. But the Sherriff is doing half the job and still paying her full pay or whoever is doing it. Supervisor Menard said half the time the Sherriff calls her out because she has the equipment to catch the dogs. Mr. Garrand said he has all that stuff himself. Supervisor Menard said that's fine.

Vouchers:

General Town Wide	Voucher 291-300	\$5,257.75
Highway	Voucher 225-237	\$19,269.01
Trust & Agency	Voucher 50-53	\$12,870.13

Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid **\$37,369.89**

Adjourn:

Councilperson Menard made a motion for the meeting be adjourned, Councilperson Bulriss seconded the motion. All in favor. Thus, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly L. McDonald, TOWN CLERK