

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held
November 10, 2020 at the Mooers Office Complex commencing at 7:00 PM**

Present: Jeff Menard, Supervisor
Donald Perras, Councilperson
Randy LaCount, Councilperson
Irving Breyette, Councilperson
Christopher Bulriss, Councilperson

Recording Secretary: Kelly L. McDonald, Town Clerk

Others Present: Myrtle Hawksby, Beautification
Larry Wolff, Tax Assessor
Art Menard, Library
Todd Gumlaw, Fire Chief
Stacey Guerin, Dog Control Officer

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 October 13, 2020 and October 27, 2020 meeting minutes. Councilperson Breyette made a motion to accept them. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Perras. The result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson LaCount, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss and Councilperson Breyette), and 0 NOES. Therefore, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried and the Minutes accepted.

Dog Control: There was discussion on the letter to send to Palmer's for emergency services. Supervisor Menard stated they received the contract for 2021 with the Malone Animal Shelter. In 2020 only 1 dog has been brought there. There was discussion with Mrs. Stacey Guerin, Dog Control Officer, on if this was a need, and a good use of money. There was discussion on building a spot to be able to hold dogs at their property, moveable so the next Dog Control Officer could use if needed. Mrs. Guerin is going to check with The Department of Ag and Markets to see what the requirements are before next meeting. Mrs. Guerin stated they would also like to purchase a chip reader and a live trap, will bring back figures next month.

Library: Mr. Art Menard discussed that they have gotten donations lately in memory of prior residents. It was enough to buy a brick in their memory. Donations are still welcome and the brick project is still ongoing. Our library is open on track with the other local towns. The only part that isn't open at this time is using the computers.

Assessor: Mr. Larry Wolff, Town Assessor, said the exemption forms are coming in. Mr. Wolff said he is waiting for a financial update from the state on how we stand money wise.

Fire Department: Supervisor Menard read the fire report for the month of October 2020, submitted by Mr. Todd Gumlaw, Fire Chief. Mr. Gumlaw said the Fire Department was upgrading its Rescue Truck, to one 10 years newer.

Court: Supervisor Menard read the Court Reports from October 2020.

Code Enforcement: Supervisor Menard discussed the letter he received from the Mooers Town Court, which described 16 Garrand Road as a Public Nuisance. The Code Enforcement Officer is to follow out as the procedure describes per the Nuisance and Abatement Law.

Old Business:

1) RESOLUTION #26-2020 ADOPTING ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS; this Board having on October 27, 2020 at 7 p.m., duly held a public hearing on the preliminary budget approved by this Board and filed with the Town Clerk for the fiscal year commencing

January 1, 2021, including the fire protection district budgets and light district budgets for 2021 and having heard all persons desiring to be heard in the matter and the matter of the budget for this Town for such fiscal year having been fully discussed and considered,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said Preliminary Budget be approved and filed as aforesaid including the fire protection district budgets and the light district budgets for 2021 is hereby approved and established as the annual budget for this Town for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2021, and that such annual budget be so adopted in detail in the minutes of the proceedings of this Town Board, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town shall prepare and certify as provided by law, duplicate copies of the said annual budget hereby adopted, shall attach thereto an exemption report in compliance with requirements of Chapter 258 of the Laws of 2008, and deliver one of such copies to the Supervisor of the Town, and the Supervisor shall present such copy to the Board of Legislators of the County as required by law.

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss

Discussion: yes

Roll Call: The result of a Roll Call was 4 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss, and Councilperson Breyette), (Councilperson Bulriss abstained from Fire Dept Budget section) and 1 NOES (Councilperson LaCount).

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared Resolution #26-2020 is carried.

DATED: November 10, 2020

New Business:

1) Solar Farm Decommissioning Report- Supervisor Menard said that the Solar Farms are holding the Decommissioning Fees with the Town receiving annual statements. This is different as in the past the Town has held this fee. Supervisor LaCount requested a packet or email be available before the meeting. This way the Board Members would have that information ahead of time. Supervisor Menard said yes, they could, also they can discuss it at the December Meeting. Supervisor Menard tabled the discussion until the December meeting.

2) Bridge on East Street- The Town deeded the Bridge to the Snowmobile Club. They have asked an engineer to come evaluate it.

3) 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 for 2021;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS ACCEPTS THE 2021 FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES CONTRACT AS WRITTEN AND THE CONTRACT BE SIGNED

Motion: Councilperson Perras

Seconded by: Supervisor Menard

Discussion: yes

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

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared Resolution #24-2020 carried.

DATED: November 10, 2020

4) Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1)

RESOLVED, By the Town Board of the Town of Mooers that Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A: (a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein; (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

Motion: Supervisor Menard

Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss

Discussion: yes

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

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared Resolution #25-2020 carried.
DATED: November 10, 2020.

Public Comment:

1) Mrs. Millie Palmer was in attendance to discuss her home on Park Lane. When a neighbor put in a new well Mrs. Palmer said it was rerouted into a trench at the end of Park Lane and routed it into her property. This has caused it to be very wet. Mrs. Palmer asked if something could be done. Supervisor Menard and Superintendent Gilmore said they would go look at it.

Executive Session:

Supervisor Menard made a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:46PM. Councilperson Bulriss seconded the motion. The result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson LaCount, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss and Councilperson Breyette), and 0 NOES. Therefore, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried and the Board entered Executive Session.

At 8:00PM the Board returned. Councilperson Perras motioned to exit Executive Session. Supervisor Menard seconded the motion. The result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson LaCount, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss and Councilperson Breyette), and 0 NOES. Therefore, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried and the Board exited Executive Session.

While in Executive Session the Highway Contract was discussed. There was a question on the cafeteria account. This is being tabled after getting more information.

Councilperson LaCount made a motion to table the discussion. Councilperson Bulriss seconded the motion. The result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson LaCount, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Bulriss and Councilperson Breyette), and 0 NOES. Supervisor Menard declared the topic tabled.

Vouchers:

General Fund	Voucher 192-212	\$34,508.40
Highway	Voucher 192-212	\$113,722.05
Mooers & Mooers Forks Light	Voucher 192	\$995.49
Trust & Agency	Voucher 49-53	\$17,964.86
Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid		\$167,190.80

Adjourn: Supervisor 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 8:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly L. McDonald, TOWN CLERK