

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held December 8, 2015 at the Mooers Office Complex commencing at 7:00 PM

Present: Jeff Menard, Supervisor
Steve Barcomb, Councilperson
Gerald LaValley, Councilperson
Mary Myatt, Councilperson
Donald Perras, Councilperson

Recording Secretary: Brandi B. Lloyd, Town Clerk

Others Present: none

Absent: none

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

Minutes: All the Board Members were asked if they had read their copy of the November 10, 2015 Minutes. They all replied yes. Supervisor Jeff Menard then asked if there were any omissions or corrections, there were none from the Town Board. Councilperson Barcomb then made a motion to accept the November 10, 2015 Minutes as written and Supervisor Menard seconded the Motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared Minutes accepted as written.

Highway: Highway Supervisor Kris Gilmore said the shoulders of the roads are paved. He said the have a truck down and are looking into options.

Library: Mrs. Jackie Madison nor any member of the Library Board were in attendance. Supervisor Menard said he had received the names of a few people interested in being members of the Library Board; Mr. Tim Gonyo, Mrs. Joyce Roberts, and Mr. Art Menard. Supervisor Menard said he learned that three former Library Board members needed to return just to appoint three new members. Supervisor Menard said that some previous members of the Library Board may return and stay on the Board depending on who the new members are. Supervisor Menard said last month he asked Councilperson LaValley to look into the cost of having the library insulated and a heating system installed. Councilperson LaValley said he found out that the cost to run electricity to the building, install outlets, frame out the bathrooms and utility room, sheetrock and tape, insulation, and install a propane heating system would be around \$31,300.00. Supervisor Menard said the library has about \$19,800.00 in grant funding, a \$180.00 donation, and \$10,000.00 from the Town for a total of around \$30,000.00. There was some discussion. Supervisor Menard asked the Board if they would like to proceed with the work. Councilperson Perras suggested waiting until the Library Board is in place. Councilperson Myatt asked if the building should be insulated before winter. Councilperson LaValley said the Town should proceed and go out to bid. Supervisor Menard said they would put the work out to bid.

Youth Program: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Youth Program would like to address the board. Mr. Tyson Dumas explained that the fence in Sciota had been taken down and he was asked if he had use for it. He said the cost to put the fence up would be \$5,240.00 and that his family would donate \$2,500.00 of the cost. he said the fence would be on the back field of the Mooers Rec. Park. He added that there is enough money in the budget. Therefore Councilperson Barcomb made a motion for the Town Board approve paying the balance of \$2,740.00 to put the fence up at the Mooers Rec. Park. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Perras. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Menard, Councilperson LaValley, Councilperson Myatt and Councilperson Perras) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

Dog Control: Mrs. Kaleigh Mills submitted the report for November.

Beautification Committee: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Beautification Committee would like to address the board. Mrs. Scarlett Sample said the Committee would be meeting after the Board meeting. She asked about the \$10,000.00, when would the funds be made available. Supervisor Menard said the check would be ready by the first of February. She asked when they would receive a

check for their remaining balance. Supervisor Menard answered that it would be available at the end of the year.

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 at this time.

Fire Department: Mr. Dan Dumas, Fire Chief, was not present. Supervisor Menard read the report showing 11 calls, eight in the Town and three mutual calls, and with 109 total calls to date.

EMS: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from EMS would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board at this time.

Court: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Court would like to address the board. The Justice Fund report for November showed total receipts of \$7,187.26 with \$4,294.00 going to the State, \$0.00 to the County, and \$2,903.26 to the Town of Mooers.

Code Enforcement Officer: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Office of Code Enforcement would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board at this time. Supervisor Menard read from the report that had been submitted by Mr. Jess Dixon. The November report showed a total of zero building permits issued, 16 calls, one violation, and one certificate of occupancy. Mr. Dixon also reported that the DOT installed a "No Parking" sign at the North and West Corners of the Rte. 11 intersection.

Old Business:

Old Business 1: Supervisor Menard said the Town had received four applications for the position of Tax Assessor; Larry Wolff of Mooers, Gentleman from Ausable Forks, James Gonyo of Rouses Point, and Trevor Finley of Ellenburg Depot. Supervisor Menard said an appointment needed to be made tonight. There was some discussion. Therefore Supervisor Menard made a motion to appoint Mr. Larry Wolff to the position of Tax Assessor for the Town of Mooers. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Perras. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Menard, Councilperson LaValley, Councilperson Myatt and Councilperson Perras) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

Old Business 2: Supervisor Menard said the Board made a motion to appoint Mr. Kris Gilmore as Highway Superintendent, but not to pay him. Therefore Councilperson Barcomb made a motion to pay Mr. Gilmore for the month of December, prorated, as per the 2016 salary rate. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Perras. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Menard, Councilperson LaValley, Councilperson Myatt and Councilperson Perras) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

New Business:

New Business 1: Supervisor Menard read a letter from the County regarding 38 surplus computers available. He added that they may be requested by written request.

New Business 2: Supervisor Menard said a letter had been received from the Clinton County Treasurer regarding mortgage tax along with a check for \$14,021.02 for the period of April 2015- Sept. 2015.

New Business 3: Supervisor Menard said last month that Mr. Gary Cardin Jr. expressed interest in snow blowing the sidewalks in Mooers Forks. He said he contacted the Town's insurance company and was advised that it would be best for Mr. Cardin to be hired a seasonal employee. Supervisor Menard added that Mr. Cardin would use his own equipment. He said the Town could possibly pay him \$50.00 each time the sidewalks are done for his time and the Town would also pay for gas and maintenance. Supervisor Menard asked for the opinion of the Board. There was some discussion. Supervisor Menard said he would speak with Mr. Cardin.

New Business 4: Town of Mooers received necessary paperwork to extend their Municipal Snow & Ice Agreement Extension for 2016 - 2017 season, and Total NYS Municipal Snow & Ice agreement will be \$312,995.99, including \$6,259.92 per line mile for 50 lane miles; therefore Councilperson Barcomb made a motion that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS ACCEPT THE NYS MUNICIPAL SNOW & ICE AGREEMENT EXTENSION FOR THE 2017 - 2018 SEASON

The motion was seconded by Councilperson Myatt. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Myatt, Councilperson Barcomb, Councilperson Lavalley, and Councilperson Perras) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #26-2015** adopted.

New Business 5: The collection of 2016 Land Taxes begins January 1, 2016, and there is the need for the office of the Tax Collector to have change for payments of taxes; therefore Councilperson Barcomb made a motion that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THE TAX COLLECTOR BE ALLOTTED THE SUM OF \$300.00 FOR PETTY CASH FOR THE 2016 TAX SEASON

The motion was seconded by Supervisor Menard. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Myatt, Councilperson Barcomb, Councilperson Lavalley, and Councilperson Perras) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #27-2015** adopted.

Supervisor Menard asked if anyone would like to address the Town Board.

Public Comment 1: Rev. Sally White, in attendance, said there was a negative article in the Sun newspaper and she finds it quite sad. She added that there are positive events going on in the Town that should be getting publicity. Supervisor Menard said he spoke with Mr. Art Menard. He said Mr. Menard spoke with the Sun newspaper and asked that they not publish any other articles about the library without speaking to the Library Board beforehand. Mrs. Snide asked if S&B Construction had been paid. Supervisor Menard confirmed that S&B Construction was being paid tonight.

Public Comment 2: Mrs. Carol Cardin, in attendance, asked about the billboard on the corner of 11 and 22. She said it nearly caused an accident recently and wondered if it had been placed there legally. Supervisor Menard said he would look into it.

Public Comment 3: Mr. Miller asked who he would speak to regarding a donation for the fence previously discussed. Supervisor Menard said to speak with Mrs. Rena Bosley.

Supervisor Menard presented Councilperson Steve Barcomb a plaque congratulating and thanking him for his years of service on the Town Board.

Supervisor Menard announced that the yearend meeting would be held on December 8, 2015 at 7pm.

Voucher: The Audited Vouchers to be paid off the Abstracted Vouchers on December 8, 2015 are as follows:

General - Townwide -----(Vouchers 1122 - 1142)-----	\$ 22,512.71
Highway - Townwide -----(Voucher 787 - 809)-----	51,692.42
Mooers Forks Lights----- (Voucher 1136)-----	367.27
Mooers Lights ----- (Voucher 1136)-----	628.56
Trust & Agency ----- (Voucher 146 - 148)-----	10,899.87
Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid-----	\$86,100.83

Adjourn: Councilperson Barcomb made a motion for the meeting be adjourned. Supervisor Menard seconded the motion. All in favor. Thus, Supervisor Jeff Menard declared the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

BRANDI B. LLOYD, TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR