Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held December 31, 2013 at the Mooers Office Complex commencing at 9:00A.M.

Present: Gerald LaValley, Councilman, Deputy Supervisor

Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey, Councilman

Recording Secretary: Brandi Lloyd, Town Clerk

Others Present: Kaleigh LaBombard, Dog Control Officer

Jess Dixon, Code Enforcement Officer

Absent: Jim Coffey, attorney

Meeting: Deputy Supervisor Gerald LaValley called the Meeting to Order at 9:00AM, then he asked 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 copies of the December 10, 2013 Minutes. They all replied yes. Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley then asked if there were any omissions or corrections, there were none. Councilman Steve Barcomb then made a motion to accept the December 10, 2013 Minutes as written and Councilman Gene Bushey seconded the Motion. The result of a Roll Call was 3 AYES and 0 NOES; therefore Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley declared Minutes accepted as written.

Letter of Resignation: Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley said that a letter of resignation had been received from Cory Ross on December 30, 2013; therefore Councilman Lavalley made a motion that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS ACCEPTS THE RESIGNATION OF CORY ROSS AS TOWN SUPERVISOR OF THE TOWN OF MOOERS

The motion was seconded by Councilman Bushey. The result of a Roll Call was 3 AYES (Deputy Supervisor Lavalley, Councilman Barcomb, and Councilman Bushey) and 0 NOES, therefore Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley declared **Resolution #054-2013** adopted.

Vacant Position on the Board: Deputy Supervisor said that the empty seat on the Board needs to be filled; therefore Councilman Barcomb made a motion that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Mr. Ross be appointed to the Town of Mooers Board; and **RESOLVED,** that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Bushey. The result of a Roll Call was 3 AYES (Deputy Supervisor Lavalley, Councilman Barcomb, and Councilman Bushey) and 0 NOES, therefore Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley declared **Resolution #056-2013** adopted.

Dog Control: Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley said that the Dog Control contract with the Town of Altona needed to be renewed. The amount of the contract is \$2,100.00 to Mooers for Dog Control services. Councilman Barcomb made a motion to renew the Dog Control contract with the Town of Altona. Councilman Bushey seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Beautification Committee: Deputy Lavalley said that the Board had discussed setting up a Reserve Fund for the Beautification Committee to allow the Committee to save towards larger projects including a possible Veteran's Memorial in the Town. Deputy Supervisor Lavalley said that the Board would like to start the Beautification Committee's Reserve Fund with the amount of \$10,000.00. A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb to establish a Reserve Fund for the Beautification Committee in the amount of \$10,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bushey. All in favor. Motion carried.

Library: Deputy Supervisor LaValley said that the Board would like to also set up a Reserve Fund for the interior of the new library being constructed in the amount of \$10,000.00. A motion was made by Councilman Bushey to establish a Reserve Fund for the Beautification Committee in the amount of \$10,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Barcomb. All in favor. Motion carried.

Town Business 5: The need has arisen where money in the Budget for the accounts listed have exceeded the original appropriations. The funds to cover the difference be made available as listed, as per the secretary to the board; therefore Deputy Supervisor Lavalley made a motion that the following be adopted:

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

\$6,580.57 FROM MACHINERY EQUIPMENT DA5130.2 **TO SNOW REMOVAL - CONTRACTUAL DA5142.4**

\$8,092.99 FROM MACHINERY EQUIPMENT DA5130.2 **TO CONTRACTUAL - STATE DA5148.4**

\$6,069.74 FROM MACHINERY EQUIPMENT DA5130.2 **TO CONTRACTUAL - COUNTY DA5148.41**

The motion was seconded by Councilman Bushey. The result of a Roll Call was 3 AYES (Deputy Supervisor Lavalley, Councilman Barcomb, and Councilman Bushey) and 0 NOES, therefore Deputy Supervisor Lavalley Resolution #055-2013 adopted.

Town Business 7: Motion was made by Councilman Bushey to approve payment of vouchers 217-227, 381-402. The motion was seconded by Councilman Barcomb. All in favor. Motion carried.

Vouchers: The Audited Vouchers to be paid off the Abstracted Vouchers on December 31, 2013 are as follows:

| Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid\$51,113.23 | |
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| Mooers Sidewalk(voucher 394, 397) | <u>485.85</u> |
| Mooers Fire Protection(Voucher 395, 403 - 404) | 3,076.80 |
| Highway - Townwide(Voucher 217 - 227) | 43,184.37 |
| General - Townwide(Vouchers 381 - 396, 398 - 402) | \$ 4,366.21 |

Councilman Bushey: Deputy Supervisor Lavalley thanked Councilman Bushey and presented him with a plaque for his years of service to the community of Mooers.

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

Mr. Jeff Menard addressed the Board regarding the change of the job **Public Comment 1:** qualifications of the secretary to the supervisor to the secretary of the Board at the meeting last month. He said that, as of tomorrow, he would like to hire a secretary to the supervisor. He said he would like it to be Rena Bosley, but he feels his hands are tied with the change in qualifications the Board made. He added that the contract made with Mr. Jess Dixon is illegal as per the lawyer at The Association of Towns. Mr. Menard said that as far as Mr. Dixon, he is certified and knows what his job title is and as long as he is doing his job there will be no problem.

Public Comment 2: Mr. Dragoon asked about the land for the library and the recording of the deed. Councilman Ross answered that Jim Coffey, attorney to the Town, was taking care of it. Councilman Ross added that the paperwork for the Barlow property is still being, but that the paperwork for the land from the Evans is all complete. Mr. Dragoon added that the Town was spending money on land that the Town did not own at the time. Mr. Dragoon asked about the church in Mooers Forks and asked Mr. Dixon for a copy of the permit for the work being done to the church. Mr. Dixon said that he has the permit.

Councilman Barcomb made a motion for the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Bushey seconded the motion and the result was 3 AYES (Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley, Councilman Eugene Bushey, and Councilman Steve Barcomb) and 0 NOES. Thus, Deputy Supervisor Gerald Lavalley declared motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 AM.

> Respectfully Submitted, BRANDI B. LLOYD, TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR