

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held
February 14, 2023, at the Mooers Office Complex commencing at 7:00 PM**

Present: Jeff Menard, Supervisor
Donald Perras, Councilperson
Gary Cardin Jr., Councilperson
Ryan Dragoon, Councilperson
Irving Breyette, Councilperson
Kris Gilmore, Highway Superintendent

Others Present: Coreen Cardin, Beautification
Myrtle Hawksby, Beautification
Art Menard, Libraries
Vickie Brassard, Cemeteries
Larry Wolff, Town Assessor
John Gordon, ZBA
Jason Poulin, Code Enforcement Officer

Absent: Kelly L. McDonald, Town Clerk

Highway: Superintendent Gilmore explained the Councilperson Cardin had the quotes for the Garage. Councilperson Cardin discussed the generator and water system. There are 2 quotes for the water system and waiting on one from Rene's repair.

Supervisor Menard asked for a motion to take the lowest bid.

Councilperson Cardin made a motion.

Councilperson Perras seconded the motion.

The result of the roll call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Cardin, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Dragoon, and Councilperson Breyette).

Councilperson Breyette asked if the funds for this was coming out of the COVID money and was told yes.

Councilperson Cardin discussed replacing the 2017 John Deere wheeled Loader the Town has, using COVID funds. There was discussion of auctioning other equipment to raise funds. The equipment is going to be listed for Auction to see what it brings in.

There was discussion between paint and hand cut vinyl, for the vehicles. Decided on paint since it's held up so well and same price.

Library: Mr. Art Menard thanked the board for taking care of the snow removal and removing the big tree that had been down. Mr. Menard discussed the state grant they applied for came in for the gazebo and storage shed. The Library is doing more computer courses and will be advertised. You can also retake them if you have before. The Chapel Hill Foundation has given the grant for a lot of the programming they have been doing, helping purchase games and such.

Beautification: Mrs. Coreena Cardin discussed the Veterans Memorial Project. Mrs. Cardin asked the Board how they would like them to proceed due to the Reserve Account and Procurement Policy. Supervisor Menard said to bring it to the Board to get a motion for any amount. Mrs. Cardin said the project will be done in phases.

Assessor: Mr. Larry Wolff discussed assessing the single wides through the town.

Code Enforcement: Discussion on Garrand Road, going back to Court.

Cemeteries: Mrs. Vickie Brassard discussed the DAR celebration coming up in the Old Riverside Cemetery. Mrs. Brassard is working on a grant for rebuilding stones in the cemetery. Mrs. Brassard is also working on Union Cemetery and discussed it can only be used as a cemetery or must be given back to the heirs of the land. Mrs. Brassard's thought is to clear the land, sell the wood and use that money to turn that into land for plots to sell as there is a need. Councilperson Cardin asked if we knew how many lots are available to sell in the cemetery as it sits now, which we do not. Councilperson Cardin discussed

removing the sand and reclaiming the land back to how it was as the Town has a need. It would lower the land but would still be above the water table. There is a question as to if this is acceptable under the deed. This is tabled until the next meeting. The Cemetery Committee has found a 5th member, Mr. Larry Marnes.

Old Business:

1. Supervisor Menard and Councilperson Perras went to a meeting in Ellenburg with Invenergy

They are just starting the process to install, and more meetings are coming. The contract starts in 2025 so they need to be up by then and operational by 2027. Mr. James Mesick mentioned 26 have been eliminated from the original plan.

2) Councilperson Cardin discussed getting a quote from Fullers for sidewalk from Maple to Hemmingford Road was 422K. To replace the sidewalks on school street from the employee parking lot to Hemmingford Road was \$80k.

New Business:

1. Supervisor Menard received a letter from Clinton County Soil and Water and they have Mosquito Dunks available for people for standing water. There was also discussion on Tire recycling.
2. Supervisor Menard introduced Mr. Tony Lamberton to discuss BioSolids. Mr. Lamberton said it was Class A organic Fertilizer that's also being used by Casellas. Mr. Lamberton asked if he needed a special permit for this. Supervisor Menard said it's been spread for years by various farmers. Councilperson Cardin said it had been brought up due to a complaint that had been received and in reviewing the Zoning Laws there are parameters. It can't be within 100 feet of property and water, if stockpiled. Further discussion on the definition of biosolid. There was also discussion on the need for a permit or exempt due to agriculture. Supervisor Menard discussed more research being needed. The Zoning Law doesn't specify between Agriculture and non as it is written. Supervisor Menard recommended calling NYS Code Enforcement. There are 2 other people that are going to be called for more information, Jessie and Shawn.

Public Comment:

- 1) Mr. Lary Wolff Asked how many Farms were in town and was told maybe 5. He mentioned it was nice to be able to work with them.

RESOLUTION FOR END OF YEAR BUDGET MODIFICATION

Whereas; The need has arisen where money in the 2022 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 supervisor; and

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

General Fund

Move \$1,185.60 from Contingency A1990.4
to Assessor Contractual – A1355.4

Move \$558.62 from Contingency A1990.4
to Town Clerk Service Contracts – A1410.47

Move \$4,033.71 from Contingency A1990.4
to Buildings-Fuel Oil – A1620.41

Move \$716.10 from Contingency A1990.4
to IT Services – A1680.4

Move \$3,327.00 from Contingency A1990.4
to Insurance – A1910.4
Move \$1,626.78 from Sidewalks Contractual A5410.4
to HWY Superintendent Contractual – A5010.4
Move \$2,676.37 from Dog Control Contractual A3510.4
to Garage – Heating Fuel A5132.4

Highway Fund

Move \$10,794.53 from Snow Removal DA5130.1
to Machinery Contractual DA5110.1

Motion: Councilperson Perras

Seconded by: Councilperson Dragoon

Discussion: No

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

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #15-2023 Carried.**

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT EXAMINATION OF COURT RECORDS

Whereas, Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act requires that town and village justices annually provide their court records and dockets to their respective town and village auditing boards to be examined and/or audited and be entered into the minutes of the board's proceedings

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, AS PER SECTION 2019-a OF THE UNIFORM JUSTICE COURT ACT, THE TOWN OF MOOERS JUSTICES SHALL ANNUALLY PROVIDE TO THE TOWN BOARD THEIR COURT RECORDS AND/OR DOCKETS FOR AN AUDIT WHEREBY RESULTS SHALL BE NOTED IN THE MINUTES OF SAID TOWN BOARD

Motion: Councilperson Perras

Seconded by: Councilperson Cardin

Discussion:no

Whereas; the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson Cardin, Suoervisor Menard, Councilperson Dragoon and Councilperson Breyette), O NOES, and 0 ABSENT.

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #13-2023 carried.**

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING EXAMINATION OF COURT RECORDS

Whereas, Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act requires that town and village justices annually provide their court records and/or dockets to their respective town and/or village auditing boards, and

Whereas, At the Mooers Town Board Meeting on Tuesday February 14, 2023 the Town Court records and Financial Statement for the Mooers Town Court were presented to the Board where they were examined, audited, and signed.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE MOOERS TOWN BOARD HAS EXAMINED AND AUDITED THE MOOERS TOWN COURT RECORDS AND/OR DOCKETS FINDING THEM TO BE IN ORDER AND THESE RECORDS ARE HEREBY ACCEPTED BY THE MOOERS TOWN BOARD

Motion: Councilperson Perras

Seconded by: Councilperson Cardin

Discussion: no

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

Therefore; Supervisor Menard declared **Resolution #14-2023 Carried.**

Adjourn: Councilperson Perras made a motion for the meeting be adjourned; Councilperson Dragoon seconded the motion. All in favor. Thus, Supervisor Menard declared the meeting closed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly L. McDonald, TOWN CLERK