

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held
March 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
Kris Gilmore, Highway Superintendent

Recording Secretary: Kelly L. McDonald, Town Clerk

Others Present: Myrtle Hawksby, Beautification
Art Menard, Library
Stacey Guerin- Dog Control Officer

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 31, 2019, February 3, 2020 and February 11, 2020 meeting minutes. Councilperson LaCount made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Breyette. 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 as written.

Highway: Superintendent Gilmore said he had names and quotes for the Boiler. He also discussed the SPEDES Drain application needed through the DEC. Superintendent Gilmore said they were going to rebid for the generator. The loading dock has been patched, will need to be fixed in future. They discussed the sandpit and possibly getting a waiver to use cemetery. There are street signs needed between \$2,000 to \$2,500, Superintendent Gilmore is waiting on quotes. Superintendent Gilmore asked about the possibility of buying a 2- ton truck, as it would be more useful. The insurance company is going to cover \$32,000 from the truck that burned. There was discussion on the plow. Superintendent Gilmore said the title was on its way.

Supervisor Menard stated they ran a report on fuel and electricity and there was a big jump between 2018 and 2019. The GPS program in the trucks was discussed, as it cost \$190/month to use. Supervisor Menard asked for a monthly report to be run from the program. There was further discussion on this program and its use.

Supervisor Menard asked about a bill he received. Superintendent Gilmore discussed that the limb cutting saw needed a part replaced. Discussion on if it would be covered under warranty.

There was a discussion on shared services. There was a motion to keep the paver in town this year, as a way to keep costs down.

Councilperson Bulriss made the motion.

The motion was seconded by Councilperson LaCount.

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.

Library: Mr. Art Menard gave feedback on the 2/29 Leap Day Celebration. The furniture and bake sale went well.

Dog Control: No report, all went well. The February Inspection with the state went well, all passed.

Beautification: Mrs. Myrtle Hawksby thanked the Town for taking down the decorations.

Fire Department: Supervisor Menard read the report submitted by Mr. Todd Gumlaw, Fire Chief for February 2020. Looking at the possibility of a new rescue truck for 2021.

Old Business:

1) The Board voted on the Town's telephone and internet service. Councilperson LaCount made a motion to accept quote from CTC Telephone. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Bulriss. The result of the Roll Call was 4 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson LaCount, Supervisor Menard, and Councilperson Bulriss), 0 NOES, and 1 ABSTAIN (Councilperson Breyette). Therefore, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

2) There was further discussion on the IDA question on the lower price with the Solar Farm. There was a \$15,000 offer to offset the cut in price if the IDA approves the cut. The Board voted to table the offer and the Town Lawyer review. Councilperson Breyette made the motion to table until lawyer looks at it. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Bulriss. 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.

3) There was further discussion on the water softener systems presented. A representative from Culligan was present to further explain their offer. The quote from Leon Menard was also reviewed. Councilperson LaCount made a motion to go with the system from Culligan. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Perras. The result of the Roll Call was 4 AYES (Councilperson Perras, Councilperson LaCount, Councilperson Bulriss and Councilperson Breyette), 0 NOES, and 1 ABSTAIN (Supervisor Menard). Therefore, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

4) There was a discussion on switching water companies from Crystal Rock to Taylor Rental, for a lower cost.

Councilperson Bulriss made the motion to switch to Taylor Rental.

The motion was seconded by Councilperson Breyette.

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.

New Business

1) **RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MOOERS TO PETITION THE COUNTY AND STATE AUTHORITIES TO REQUEST A LOWER SPEED LIMIT ON STATE ROUTE 22 ALSO KNOWN AS HEMMINGFORD ROAD, MOOERS, NY 12958**

WHEREAS, The Town of Mooers Town Board has received complaints from residents regarding the excessive speed of vehicles on State Route 22 also known as Hemmingford Road in the Town of Mooers between the end of the 30 miles per hour zone and the beginning of the 55 miles per hour zone.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, The Town of Mooers Town Board instructs the Town Clerk to have this speed limit reduction request sent to the Clinton County and to State authorities to establish a lower maximum speed on the above mention portion of Hemmingford Road.

Motion: Councilperson LaCount

Seconded by: Councilperson Bulriss

Discussion: No

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 #19-2020** is adopted.

DATED: March 10, 2020

RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MOOERS TO PETITION THE COUNTY AND STATE AUTHORITIES TO REQUEST A LOWER SPEED LIMIT ON STATE ROUTE 11, MOOERS, NY 12958

WHEREAS, The Town of Mooers Town Board has received complaints from residents regarding the excessive speed of vehicles on State Route 11 in the Town of Mooers between the end of the 30 miles per hour zone and the beginning of the 55 miles per hour zone (now posted at 45 miles per hour);

AND WHEREAS, there are many businesses between this stretch of road, including a newly constructed Dollar General Store; which will lead to an increase in stop and go traffic. The Town of Mooers Board and residents believe a lower speed zone will be safer for people frequenting the numerous businesses located on this stretch of Highway.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, The Town of Mooers Town Board instructs the Town Clerk to have this speed limit reduction request sent to the Clinton County and to State authorities to establish a lower maximum speed on the above-mentioned portion of State Route 11.

Motion: Councilperson Perras

Seconded by: Supervisor Menard

Discussion: No

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 #20-2020** is adopted.

DATED: March 10, 2020

2) Supervisor Menard received a letter for a Clinton County Clean Up Day, to proclaim Saturday April 25, 2020 as this day. The Town Board voted to adopt this day town wide as a Clean Up Day.

Supervisor Menard made a motion.

The motion was seconded by Councilperson Breyette.

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.

Public Comment:

Public Comment 1) The Dollar General looks to be opening mid-April. They are looking for help stocking 4/1-4/12.

Public Comment 2) There was discussion of the various dilapidated homes in the town.

Public Comment 3) Mr. Gary Cardin expressed he thought it would set a precedent if the Solar Farm was allowed to go to a lower price.

Public Comment 4) There was an inquiry about paving, if the paver was going to stay in our town would it be possible to pave roads rather than letting it sit?

Public Comment 5) There were questions and Concerns about the Sex Offender on the Pepper Hill Road, as the house is inhabitable.

Public Comment 6) Mrs. Careena Cardin stated that the Help Needed for Dollar General is listed on their website.

Public Comment 7) Mr. Gary Cardin asked if there were any guidelines on the Corona Virus. Supervisor Menard had received an email from the County on a presentation coming up that would give more answers.

Vouchers:

General Town Wide	Voucher 43-62	\$17,155.58
Highway	Voucher 42-65	\$42,535.00
Mooers & Mooers Forks Light	Voucher 61	\$849.06
Trust & Agency	Voucher 9-13	\$16,350.18

Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid **\$76,889.82**

Adjourn: Councilperson Bulriss made a motion for the meeting be adjourned, Councilperson LaCount seconded the motion. All in favor. Thus, Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly L. McDonald, TOWN CLERK