

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mooers held June 14, 2016 at the Mooers Office Complex commencing at 7:00 PM

Present: Jeff Menard, Supervisor
Eugene ("Dickie") Boulerice, Councilperson
Gerald LaValley, Councilperson
Mary Myatt, Councilperson

Recording Secretary: Jessica K. Bulriss, Town Clerk

Others Present: Kris Gilmore, Highway Superintendent

Absent: Donald Perras, Councilperson

Meeting: Supervisor Jeff Menard called the Meeting to Order at 7:00PM, then he asked Mrs. Jessica Bulriss 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 May 10, 2016 Minutes. They all replied yes. Supervisor Jeff Menard then asked if there were any omissions or corrections, there was one correction. Councilperson Myatt stated that under New Business 5 it is Jordan Lamere not Brandon Lamere. Councilperson Myatt then made a motion to accept the May 10, 2016 Minutes with the correction. The motion was seconded by Councilperson LaValley. The result of the Roll Call was AYES(Councilperson Boulerice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Myatt, Councilperson LaValley) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared motion carried and the Minutes accepted as written.

Highway: Highway Supervisor Kris Gilmore stated that they are currently mowing the sides of the roads. He also said that there are several pieces of equipment at the shop. Superintendent Gilmore stated that the road signs have to be changed by January. He asked if the cost of the road signs come out of the General fund or the Highway fund. He also stated that according to Mrs. Rena Bosley it is supposed to come out of the Highway fund. Councilperson Boulerice stated that at one time everything to do with safety was taken out of the General fund. He also asked if the signs that he had purchased were the new type. Superintendent Gilmore replied that three are the new type. He also stated that Mid-State is cheaper than purchasing them through the county. Supervisor Menard asked Superintendent Gilmore how many signs he needed. Superintendent Gilmore replied 10 to 12. There was more discussion concerning the signs. Supervisor Menard asked Superintendent Gilmore to come up with an inventory of what we have and what we need for signs.

Superintendent Gilmore asked if there was a decision made regarding a new truck. Supervisor Menard stated that he intended to discuss it at today's meeting. Supervisor Gilmore said he spoke with someone in Plattsburgh regarding a mini-bid and negotiated the price down \$15,000 with 5% interest. Supervisor Menard said that we cannot afford to buy a truck according to what is left in the Highway budget. He said that there is 124,000 left in the Highway budget for the year. Superintendent Gilmore stated that something has to be done this year because there are three trucks that aren't in good shape. Supervisor Menard stated that we are supposed to get a new truck every three years, and we bought one last year. He also said that we have purchased a truck and a dozer and we can't keep buying because we are going to run out of money. There was more discussion regarding the new truck. Supervisor Menard stated that he would call the bank to see what they could offer and tabled the discussion until the next meeting.

Library: Mr. Art Menard stated that he had very good news. They have chosen a new Library Director Mrs. Tracey Ducharme. She grew up locally in Chazy, and has now moved to Mooers Forks. He stated that they are very excited to have her. He also said that the change in the grant has been approved to complete the inside of the new building. Mr. Menard said that once the financial review has been completed and accepted by the state the money will be released. Mr. Menard stated that hopefully the old library will be sold soon. Supervisor Menard said that it did not get done the previous month. Mr. Menard said that they are still waiting for NYSEG to hook up the power. Councilperson LaValley stated that he has been in touch with local legislators to try to expedite the process.

Dog Control: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from Dog Control would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board at this time. Supervisor Menard read the submitted report of 15 calls/complaints.

Beautification Committee: Mrs. Scarlett Sample, present, stated that the flower pots are out and thanked Superintendent Gilmore for his help. Superintendent Gilmore asked if there were pots missing from the previous year because there seems to be less. Mrs. Sample said that she is going to check with the firemen. Councilperson Boulerville asked if there are some in Cannons Corners. Mrs. Sample said there are some up there, but they usually stay there.

Tax Assessor: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from The Assessors Office would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board at this time.

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

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: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Fire Department would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board at this time. Supervisor Menard read the report submitted by Mr. Dan Dumas, not present. For the month of April there were a total of 8 calls, 5 in the town, and 3 mutual aid. For the month of May there were a total of 3 calls, 1 in the town, and 2 mutual aid.

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. Supervisor Menard read the submitted report. In the month of May there were 18 calls in Mooers bringing the year to date total to 103 calls. They traveled a total of 351 miles and used 121 gallons of fuel. The average response time was 2.1 minutes.

Court: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from the Court would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board at this time. Supervisor Menard read the Justice Fund Report for the month of May, 2016. The report showed total receipts of \$9,609.00 with \$6,254.00 going to the State, \$195.00 going to the County, and \$3,160.00 going to the Town of Mooers.

Code Enforcement Officer: Supervisor Menard asked if anyone from Code Enforcement would like to address the board. No person was present wishing to address the board at this time. Supervisor Menard read the May, 2016 report submitted by Mr. Jess Dixon. The report showed a total of 19 calls. There were 7 building permits, 2 violations, 2 variances approved, and 2 certificates of occupancy issued.

Cemeteries: Supervisor Menard stated that Union Cemetery and part of Riverside Cemetery, located on the LaValley road, has been mowed. Mr. Donald Duprey, who lives on Mill St., has been mowing the other part of Riverside Cemetery. He also said that the DeLong boys will start mowing Riverside Cemetery on Thursday. Supervisor Menard said he spoke with the Fire Department and was given approval to use their lawn mower. He also inquired if they were willing to sell it to the town. They said they will bring it up at their next meeting.

Supervisor Menard stated that he was informed by Superintendent Gilmore that someone crashed into some headstones at the Union Cemetery and knocked them over. The issued is being addressed.

Old Business:

Old Business 1: Mr. John LaBarre addressed the board and informed everyone that they put up a test tower on the White Rd., along with three other towers. He also stated that there is a preliminary project layout on their web site bullrunwind.com. He stated that they will be conducting several studies during the summer months at these sites. Mr. LaBarre informed the board that a donation was made to the Ellenburg VFW, which was to be used for youth sports in the four surrounding towns. He said the funds will be distributed evenly. He stated that within the next month they will be moving on to the scoping process and they will be submitting documents to the County as well as posting them on their website. Supervisor Menard asked how many windmills will be located in the

Town of Mooers. Mr. LaBarre stated that he thought it was about 49, which is more that they initially thought. He also said that they are still working with a number of land owner and that number could change if they decide not to participate.

Old Business 2: Supervisor Menard addressed an email from Bernier and Carr requesting a resolution for the grant money. He also said that he had contacted Mr. Matt Cooper from Bernier and Carr about switching to them to write the grant. Councilperson Myatt asked what the resolution would do. Supervisor Menard stated that when the grant money came in it would allow them to disperse the funds. Supervisor Menard made a motion to authorize receipt and disbursement of grant funds. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Myatt. The result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES(Councilperson LaValley, Councilperson Myatt, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Boulерice) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

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

Public Comment 1: Mrs. Scarlett Sample, present, asked if we could update the old road signs to meet new requirements. Superintendent Gilmore replied that it would not be cost effective.

Superintendent Gilmore stated that the County's paver is broken and he is not in favor of letting them use the town's paver. He also asked the board their opinion on whether or not the town should allow Clinton County the use of our paver. Councilperson Boulерice asked what was wrong with theirs. Superintendent Gilmore replied that it was the screed. Supervisor Menard stated that they would take 3 to 4 years life out of the paver in one summer. Mrs. Myrtle Hawksby asked if the town had another paver. Superintendent Gilmore replied that would do have another one that we could make work. There was more discussion about the paver. Councilperson Boulерice made a motion to not let Clinton County use the Town of Mooers' paver unless it is an emergency. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Menard. The result of the Roll Call was 5 AYES(Councilperson Boulерice, Supervisor Menard, Councilperson Myatt, Councilperson LaValley) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Menard declared the motion carried.

Voucher: The Audited Vouchers to be paid off the Abstracted Vouchers on April 12, 2016 as follows:

General - Townwide -----(Vouchers 83 - 109)-----	\$40,966.65
Highway - Townwide -----(Voucher 85 - 102)-----	\$43,162.92
Mooers Forks Lights----- (Voucher 102)-----	\$323.22
Mooers Lights -----(Voucher 102)-----	\$555.41
Trust & Agency -----(Voucher 13-15)-----	\$12,287.83
Union Cemetery----- (Voucher 7)-----	\$134.3
Riverside Cemetery----- (Voucher 6-7)-----	\$259.68
Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid-----	\$97,689.84

Adjourn: Councilperson Myatt 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 7:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

JESSICA K. BULRISS, TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

