

Regular meeting of the Mooers Town Board was held on December 14, 2010 in the Mooers Office Complex building.

Present: Supervisor Rudolph Miller, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey, Councilman Gerald LaValley, Highway Superintendent Eugene (Dick) Boulerville and Susan Miller filling in for Town Clerk/Tax Collector Shirley A Gadway who is still recuperating from Open Heart Surgery.

In Attendance: Attending the Meeting were Dog Control Officer Todd Forette and Deputy Dog Control Officer Marsha Forette.

Meeting: Supervisor Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, then he asked Susan Miller to lead them in the recital of "The Pledge of Allegiance", which she did.

Minutes: Copies of the two November Minutes were handed out to each of the Board Members prior to the Meeting. Supervisor Miller asked if they had read the Minutes, then he asked if there were any omissions or correction, of which there was neither. Councilman Bushey made a motion that the minutes of November 09 and November 22, 2010 be accepted as written. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Miller, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Miller declared Minutes accepted as written.

Dog Control Officer: The Dog Control Officer, Todd Forette, handed in his report for November 2010 which showed the following: On 11/05--Received a call from 7813 Rt. 22 West Chazy about a dog running loose (went to call while there owner came to retrieve his purebred Boxer), On 11/09--- Received a call from Al Johnson of Mooers about a dog running around his yard (Marsha checked out the complaint and no dog could be found), On 11/10----brought the Cocker Spaniel at shelter to get its Rabies shot so it could be adopted (People who were going to adopt the dog changed their mind), On 11/15----Received a complaint about dog at 2402 Rt. 11 Apt. 3 chasing people and biting at their heels (Dog belonged to Jessica Martin of 2402 Rt. 11 Apt 2, was issued an appearance ticket for 12/02/2010), On 11/17---Received a call about a stray dog running loose at 345 Stratton Hill Rd, W. Chazy (picked up dog nobody knows who owns the dog), On 11/17---Received call from Town Clerk to check out existence of a dog at 77 Davison Rd. Mooers Forks (Joseph Lawry moved here from Peru, had 2 dog (gave large dog away) still has 11 week old pitbull [owner was told they have until 12/06 to get dog vaccinated and licensed]), 11/20---Brought stray pick up on 11/7 to vet to have swollen leg checked (gave dog Rimadyl for 3 days --doing much better) 11/21---Sent 50 letters to delinquent dog owners in West Chazy giving them until 12/06/2010 to get their dogs licensed (Chazy provided the postage).

Todd and Marsha explained to the Board that they sent out the delinquent letter to dog owners from W. Chazy and received a lot of calls with owners saying their dogs were licensed already. Supervisor Miller suggested that Todd and Marsha include a letter with the notice saying they are using the current information in their possession. The Dog Control Officer presently has 5 dogs he housing, but has room for 12. The DCO also told the Board that the State Inspector position has been cut by the State. The DCO was warned that a dog that was taken out of state might be headed back this way. Justice Kokes allowed the dog in question to be released to the owner. Supervisor Miller will check with the previous DCO, David Underwood, regarding this issue. Regarding the appearance tick issued to Jessica Martin, due to complaints by neighbors about her dog, Justice Kokes gave her a warning. Supervisor Miller told Todd & Marsha that Jackie, at the Library, is doing the Town Website and they can e-mail her pictures of dogs up for adoption. This way more people will know about the dogs available.

Highway Department: Highway Superintendent Boulerville handed out printout of cost to maintain State Road for month of November which showed that Cost of Labor was \$ 411.72 and cost of supplies was \$10,767.60 for a total of \$11,179.60. Other item discussed with the Board were: 1) New Pickup : Informed the Board that the 2011 4X4 Reg. Cab F150 XL 8' Box Pick-Up Truck has been ordered from Van Borel Ford Inc. of E. Rochester NY, 2) Boulerville said the improvements at the Library have been completed 3) There was some discussion about the intersection of Bush Rd. and Lamberton Rd.. One suggestion was to remove the 3-way stop sign, and Councilman Robinson suggested making the road narrower and making it a "T" at the intersection. Highway Superintendent Boulerville was responding to complaints he has received, and decided to leave the 3-way stop as it is at present. 4) Superintendent Boulerville addressed the Board about the 1013 FCC Mandatory Report concerning their radios. He said the old radios will not be in compliance, and there was some talking about perhaps replacing the 15 radios. The cost of new radios is about \$500.00 each so Dick suggested the possibility of purchasing 5 or 6 radios for now, but Supervisor Miller thought 8 should be ordered at a time to give time to get them programmed. Dick believes 1 of the new radios can be reprogrammed. Councilman Barcomb made a motion the following the following resolution be adopted.

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS UPDATE OUT 2-WAY RADIOS AND PURCHASE 1/2 OF THE NEW RADIOS IN 2010 AND THE OTHER HALD IN 2011**

Councilman Robinson seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Miller, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES. Therefore Supervisor Miller declared **Resolution #56-2010** is adopted.

The Board expressed interest in whether they would need a FCC license for the update on the radios. Supervisor Miller felt they should look into getting licensed. Highway Superintendent Boulерice will be checking on this and report back to the Board.

911 Numbers: Supervisor Miller mentioned the need to apply for 3 new 911 numbers for the driveways to the mines. Supervisor Millers and Superintendent Boulерice discussed the paperwork needed to satisfy the Mining Inspector. Boulерice felt that the loader operator was the competent person to notify 911. He also said he discussed the issue with the Mining Inspector. Mr. Boulерice said that Jeff is using a clipboard to keep track of work.

Final 2010 Board Meeting: Councilman LaValley made a motion the final meeting for 2010 be held on Friday December 31, 2010 at 10:00 AM. Councilman Barcomb seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Miller, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES, thus Supervisor Miller declared motion carried. Supervisor Miller said for the Town Clerk to put a notice in the paper as to the date and time for the meeting and also to put a notice on the bulletin board.

Fireman's Report: Received the Fire Department for the month of November 2010 which showed the following: Station #1 had 14 calls and Station #2 had 3 calls----Incident types were (4-House) (2-Trailer) (2-Business) (3-Vehicle Accidents) and (Tree down)----Gave Mutual Aid to Chazy, Rouses Point, Ellenburgh Center, Ellenburgh Depot and St. Paul/Quebec----Received Mutual Aid from Altona, Champlain, Hemmingford and Morrisonville--- Fuel used was (37.2 gallons gasoline) and (155.6 gallons of Diesel)

Ambulance Report: Received the Ambulance Report for November 2010 which showed the following: (462 Transported 24) (461/463 transported 2) (Champlain West Transported 28) (461/463 Loaded Miles 67) (462 Loaded Miles 467) (Champlain West Loaded Miles 534) (Mutual Aid from 462 1) and (Fuel Used 112.3 gallons).

Recreational Leader: Supervisor Miller went over the Personnel Review Sheet on Recreational Leader, Alfie LaDue. After reviewing the report Councilman Bushey made a motion the Town of Mooers accept the report and Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Miller, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Miller declared Motion Carried.

AOT Meeting in New York City: Supervisor Miller took a Roll Call as to who would be going to the AOT Meeting in New York City in February. There will be 14 people riding the bus and they are as follows: Supervisor Rudolph Miller and his wife Susan, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb and his wife Marsha and his daughter Rachele, Councilman Eugene Bushey, Councilman Gerald LaValley and his wife Darlene, Town Justice Jeffrey Menard and his wife Joanne, Town Justice David Kokes and his wife Kathy and Code Enforcement Officer Bob West.

Coyne Textile Contract: After reviewing the 3-year contract with Coyne Textile, laundry company who cleans the Town Workers uniforms and jackets and supplies the rugs for the buildings, Councilman Bushey made a motion the following resolution be adopted

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS TOWN BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO SUPERVISOR RUDOLPH MILLER TO SIGN A THREE (3) YEAR CONTRACT WITH COYNE TEXTILE FOR THE CLEANING OF THE TOWN WORKERS UNIFORMS AND THE SUPPLYING OF JACKETS FOR THE WORKERS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE JACKET AND UNIFORMS**

Councilman Barcomb seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Miller, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES, thus Supervisor Miller declared **Resolution #57-2010** is adopted.

Ski and Swim Program: In order to participate in n the Ski and Swim Programs the Town of Mooers must obtain additional insurance and a Certificate of Insurance must be sent to Champlain. The cost for the additional insurance is \$1214.00 per year and this is to cover 60/80 children in the Swim Program and 30/40 children in the Ski Program.

Compensation Coverage: The Town received a memo from NYS Public Entities Safety Group 497 about a offering to reduce medical claims. There is a program (Recommendation of Care Program) which could reduce medical claim costs by up to 15%. This program is available to all policyholders.

Computer Back-Up Service: The Town received a letter from Suzy Marconey regarding a program available for backing up information. Supervisor Miller said the system the Town now has works just fine. Our system does a back-up daily for each computer at specific a time set for. Supervisor Miller addressed his belief that the Town needs a separate computer for Town Business and on-line for the state. Councilman Robinson suggested the look into using a laptop-compact for storage. He said they hold a lot of information, have all kinds of programs and a lot of memory space for just State, Federal and all the Town Business. He said Carol, Town Secretary, needs one. Will be discussed at a later time.

Dog Problem: Justice David Kokes said he was under the impression that the dog in question WAS NOT coming back to the Town of Mooers. He said nobody contacted him about the dog. David said the dog is court ordered to be contained and he was assured the dog was trained out of state and was being kept there. Justice Kokes said he HAD NO indication from the owner that the dog was coming back to the Town of Mooers.

NC Medical Center/Champlain: A request was received from Champlain Town Supervisor, Larry Barcomb, for the Town of Mooers to send a letter of support for the grant that Dr. John Rugge ,of Queensbury, NY, is applying for to establish a more efficient medical center with Dr. Racine of Champlain. There have been indications if something isn't done we the North Country Medical Center could close, leaving all the local residents with no local medical center. Supervisor Miller said Town Clerk, Shirley Gadway, sent a letter of support and a personal letter of support to Dr. John Rugge. The Board was in agreement with the request and the action taken.

Septic System Problem: There is a residence in the Town of Mooers that has no septic system. The County wants the Town to install the septic system, but Supervisor Miller said there is no ground for the Town to do this. The Town was suppose to receive information from the County to pursue this through the tax roll, but to date nothing has been forthcoming. Supervisor Miller told the Board that he received a copy of a Town Law from Altona which they have to take care of situations like this. He gave copies of the law to each Board Member. Supervisor Miller said the Town must pursue a Law to clear up any other problems like this. Councilman Robinson made a motion the following resolution be adopted

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS PURSUE A LOCAL LAW FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPERTY NUISANCE ABATEMENT**

Councilman Bushey seconded the motion and the results of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Miller, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES, therefore Supervisor Miller declared **Resolution #58-2010** is adopted.

Vouchers: Audited vouchers to be paid off the abstracted vouchers on December 14, 2010 were as follows:

General-townwide-----	(Vouchers 000-000)-----	\$ 23,931.17
Highway-townwide-----	(Vouchers 000-000)-----	46,754.23
Mooers Fire Protection-----	(Vouchers 000-000)-----	2,826.18
Mooers Forks Lighting-----	(Vouchers 000-000)-----	409.17
Mooers Lighting-----	(Voucher 000)-----	<u>715.98</u>
<b>Total of abstracted vouchers paid</b>		<b>\$ 74,636.73</b>

Adjourn: Councilman Barcomb made a motion to adjourn and Meeting and Councilman Bushey seconded the motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor M8iller, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES, thus Supervisor Miller declared Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted

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SHIRLEY A GADWAY, TOW N CLERK

