Regular meeting of the Mooers Town Board was held on Tuesday February 14, 2012 at the Mooers Office Complex.

Present: Those present for the Meeting were Supervisor Cory Ross, Councilman Earl Robinson, Councilman Steve Barcomb, Councilman Eugene Bushey, Councilman Gerald LaValley, Highway Superintendent Eugene (Dick) Boulerice and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Shirley A Gadway.

In Attendance: Attending the Board Meeting were: Town Resident Larry Begore, Librarian Jackie, Library Board Member Susan Evans, Town Residents Jeffrey Menard and Leon Menard, and Dog Control Officer Todd Forette and Deputy Dog Control Officer Marsha Foretts.

Meeting: Supervisor Ross called the Meeting to order at 7:00 PM then he asked Town Clerk Shirley A Gadway to lead them in the recital of the "Pledge of Allegiance" which she did.

Minutes: The Supervisor asked the Councilmen if they had reviewed the Minutes and they all agreed. Councilman Robinson at that time made a motion the minutes be accepted as written and Councilman Barcomb seconded the motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Ross, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES. Thus Supervisor Ross declared motion carried.

Susan Evans: Mrs. Evans said the Surveyor has finished his job and he has put pins in to signify where the property line is. She inquired about the neighbor’s fence and whether it is in a legal place. She inquired about the zoning laws and the location of some trees.

Librarian "Jackie": Jackie inquired about the lift to be installed at the Library. She talked about putting it up for bids. Jackie is to meet with Highway Superintendent Boulerice and other things to be discussed are the insurance and the maps.

Jeff Menard: Fire Department member Jeff Menard brought up the cost of the overhead door on the small garage again. At the January 2012 Meeting Jeff asked if the Town could help with the expense of a new garage door opener (cost approx $700.00). Councilman Robinson made a motion that the Town will help the Fire Department by paying for half and Councilman LaValley seconded the motion. A Roll Call showed 5 AYES (Supervisor Ross, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES. Thus Supervisor Ross declared motion carried.

Leon Menard: Leon turned in a bill for $4,200.00 for the purchase and installation of an Ultra Violet unit for the water line with an extra bulb. In question is the fact that the application to the Clinton County Health Department hasn’t been as of this date. Supervisor Ross can’t see how a bill could be submitted when nobody knows exactly what size is required, what is needed to install the unit and how long it take to install the unit so he is requesting a copy of the completed application signed by the Board of Health and an itemized bill from Leon Menard showing what the cost is for. Councilman Bushey made a motion that once the Town receives the required paperwork completed it will be discussed again and Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. All agreed so Supervisor Ross declared subject tabled. Leon Menard handed in an itemized bill for repairs to Station #1 roof and around metalbestos pipes in the amount of $482.30.

Highway Superintendent: Superintendent Boulerice handed out copies of January 2012 expense Report for State Roads which showed Labor cost was $4,558.23 and Supply cost to be $31,718.06 for a monthly total cost of $36,276.29. Other topics Dick told the Board about were:
1) The cost of asphalt will be up $3.00 over last year. The cost for Top Coat will be approx. $44.97/ton. 2) He explained that the ‘99 Dump Truck is in need of a new box. Dick said the present box on the ‘99 truck could be patched and put on the ‘95 truck. The Board was asked if they wanted to get a steel box or a stainless steel box (which has a longer life span). A resolution was done in 2010 to standardize the highway equipment which means it doesn’t have to go out to bid. Councilman Barcomb made a motion that the Highway Department order a stainless steel box for the ‘99 dump truck and Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Ross, Council man Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley). Therefore Supervisor Ross declared motion passed.
Board of Elections: The Town received charts and Maps from the BOE. They show first that instead of the Town of Mooers having 3 voting districts they now will have 2 voting districts with saving to the Town of approx. $3,894.00.

Fire Department: Received the January 2012 report from the Fire Department and it showed the following: Station #1 had 11 calls and Station #2 had 0 calls---Incident Types were 3-- House, 1---Trailer, 1---Storage Shed, 1---Vehicle Fire, 1---MVA, 1---Good Intent, 1---Air Supply, 1---Standby and 1---Odor in School---Mutual Aid to 1---Altona, 1---Champlain, 1---Ellenburgh Depot and 1---West Chazy---Mutual Aid From 2---Altona, 3---Champlain, 1---Rouses Point, 1---Ellenburgh Depot, 1---Hemmingford PQ and 1---West Chazy---Fuel used was 159.6 gallons diesel.

Wesleyan Food Pantry: Supervisor Ross received a letter stating they want the Town of Mooers to reconsider their choice of saying they didn't feel it was right to commit Tax Payers Money to benefit just a few. This will be re-discussed at March Meeting.

Grievance received from Highway workers: A Class Action Grievance has been filed with the Town as Highway workers want to be paid the minimum of 4 hours when they're called in to perform emergency work (signed by Michael Boulerice, Unit President dated January 20,2012). First step Answer made by Highway Superintendent Dick Boulerice said the grievance will be reviewed by the Town Board for the decision regarding the negotiated Union Contract. 2nd Step Answer is 1st answer not accepted by Union or Unit (signed by Michael J Boulerice).

Barlow Residence at 2474 Rt. 11 Mooers: CEO Bob West condemned the Barlow house after the fire and it has to be removed. Insurance Agent Andree LaBarge gave Wava the phone number for Randy Bedard. She is to contact him in regard to removing the condemned building at this location.

Mooers Dam: Got e-mail regarding the dam. There must be an inspection every 10 years. Once a year the weeds and cracks in the dam must be cleaned. Steve Mahoney must submit a blue print and diagram showing what is going to be done for the whole procedure. Have to get DEC approval before going for insurance coverage.

Obsolete Voting Machines: There is no insurance on these machines. The schools will need them for a couple of more years, then they can be scraped.

AOT Meeting in NYC: Supervisor Ross told those going to the AOT Meeting in NYC that they must be at the Plattsburgh Town Hall prior to 6:30 AM on February 19,2012 as the buses will leave promptly at 6:30 AM. and will return between 5 and 7 PM on February 22,2012.

Insurance Carriers: It was suggested the Town get a quote from Latremore/NBT Insurance. A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb that the Town has been with the LaBarge Agency for many years and since they've always been fair with the Town we stay with our local Insurance Agency. Councilman Bushey seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Ross, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES. Thus Supervisor Ross declared Motion carried.

Dog Control Officer: DCO Todd Forette turned in his January 2012 report which showed the following: on 01/06--received call from Trooper Carlin to pick up dog at 153 Bashaw Rd (Rodney Brunet) for animal cruelty----On 01/08--Received call from 22 Memory Lane to pick up stray puppy----On 01/09--Received call from Linda McIntyre keep eye out for lost cat----On 01/10--Asked Supervisor permission to get R.Brunet's dog groomed--was given permission----On 01/12--Received call to pick up stray at Korner Restaurant in W.Chazy and Brunet dog was brought to groomers----On 01/13--Received call from Greg Gregware interested in adopting husky mix and received call from Lionel Peryea he's bringing in stray dog to shelter----On 01/14--Received call at 9 AM about stray husky mix and --Received call from Justin Seymour bringing stray black lab to shelter----On 01/15--Received call from Johanna LaPier checking all shelters for lost dog----On 01/16--Brought Black Lab dog for rabies vaccination and Tom Hurley redeemed his Black Lab----On 01/18--Received call from Trooper Trombly about dog in Altona in cold 2+ days no shelter, food or water (Owner Francis Bordeau arrested for animal cruelty)----On 01/19--Brought Husky mix for Rabies shot----On 01/20 Husky picked up was found dead in shelter at 4:30 PM----01/21 Brought husky to Palmers for autopsy and --Received call from Robert Dumas
to adopt German Shepherd-----On 01/22 Received call from Nancy LaClair to adopt shepherd mix---On 01/24--Brought German Shepherd puppy and Shepherd mix for Rabies Vaccinations and Robert Dumas picked up his dog at 1:30 and Brought Shepherd Mix to Nancy LaClair W.Chazy----On 01/26--Received call about dog growling 3199 Rt.11--and Call received to pick up stray at 138 Stetson Rd. Chazy----On 1/27 Call to pick up (2) stray hounds 17 Stone Rd. and Received call from owner (Tony Lambert) came to get dogs.

NYSDOT region 7: The Town received a letter regarding wanting the Town of Mooers to issue to them 4 copies of a Maintenance Resolution regarding U.S. Route 11, Ellenburgh Phase 2 PIN 7143.42 Clinton County. They want from the Town of Mooers Board a resolution to alter and pave intersecting roads. At the Town Board Meeting on February 14, 2012 Councilman Barcomb made a motion the following resolution be adopted

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF MOOERS APPROVES THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PAVING AND ALTERING OF THE TOWN ROADS AND THE TOWN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE HIGHWAY LAW WILL MAINTAIN SUCH ROADS OR STREETS, and

Whereas; Councilman LaValley seconded the motion and the result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES Supervisor Ross, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES, and

Therefore; Supervisor Ross declared Resolution #12-2012 is adopted.

Clinton County Treasurer: The Town received an itemized listing as to what monies were received by the Town from the Clinton County Treasurer January 01 through December 31, 2011. It showed a Shortfall carried to 2012 in the amount of ($3,363.99).

NYSE&G: Received a memo from NYSE&G informing the Town there may be a risk of the theft of personal information. They are offering a free year of credit monitoring. However, they don't say what the cost would be after the 1st year.

State Comptroller: The Town received an itemized listing of the money received from the Justice Court Fund. The total receipts for January 2012 is $11,555.00.

Ambit Energy: The subject of Ambit Energy was reintroduced to the Councilman. Councilman Robinson said it looks to him like a pyramid scheme. He made it very clear that he would never support it or vote for it. The Board decided to pass on this.

Vouchers: The vouchers paid off the Abstract of audited vouchers were as follows:

- General-Townwide----------------(Vouchers 000 - 000 )------------------------$ 15,927.78
- Highway-Townwide---------------(Vouchers 000 - 000 )------------------------$ 70,344.69
- Mooers Fire Protection--------(Vouchers 000 - 000 )------------------------$ 10,655.17
- Mooers Forks Lighting--------(Voucher 000 )------------------------$ 399.61
- Mooers Lighting--------------( Voucher 000 )------------------------$ 691.96
- Ellenburgh Fire Department---( Voucher 32 )------------------------$ 1,000.00
- Ellenburgh Fire District #21-----( Voucher 33 )------------------------$ 240.58

Total of Abstracted Vouchers Paid---------$ 99,259.79

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Barcomb and seconded by Councilman Bushey. Result of a Roll Call was 5 AYES (Supervisor Ross, Councilman Robinson, Councilman Barcomb, Councilman Bushey and Councilman LaValley) and 0 NOES. Therefore Supervisor Ross declared Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

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SHIRLEY A GADWAY, TOWN CLERK