

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall

January 14, 2014
7:00 PM

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NOTICE: Pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law § 104-1, notice of this meeting was given to the media at least seven days in advance and the same posted on the December 11th, 2013.

Tonight's meeting minute notes: All votes by the Village of Earlville Board of Trustees (herein "Board" or "Village Board") 5-0 are to be read as "aye" votes from Village of Earlville Board of Trustees members Corey, Hayes, Moore and Chapman. The "Village Office" is the Village of Earlville Municipal Office located at 8 North Main Street. The "Planning Board" means the Village of Earlville Planning Board.

Mayor William Excell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Trustees Henry Moore, Gerald Hayes, Margaret Corey and Sara Chapman. Also present were Village Clerk-Treasurer Kelly Beach and Sherburne Town Councilman Ed Meyers.

Motion #1-1.14.2014

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Chapman, Regular Board Meeting Minutes for December 10, 2013 were approved unanimously.

Motion #2-1.14.2014

In a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Hayes, Special Board Meeting Minutes for January 7, 2014 were approved unanimously.

Motion #3-1.14.2014

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Chapman, Abstract 731 which included General Fund Vouchers totaling the sum of \$7884.94 was approved unanimously.

Motion #4-1.14.2014

On a motion by Trustee Chapman, seconded by Trustee Moore, Abstract 732 which included Water Fund Vouchers totaling \$2,508.11 was approved unanimously.

Motion #5-1.14.2014

On a motion by Trustee Chapman, seconded by Trustee Hayes, Abstract 733 which included Trust & Agency Fund Vouchers totaling \$10,923.17 was approved unanimously.

TOWN COUNCILMAN

Ed Meyer reported that there has been no new activity with the Natural Gas Committee. The Town received an update from Gates-Cole regarding their Health Insurance. Their yearly Organizational Meeting was held in the prior month. There is an issue regarding a mobile home on Howard road; it has been condemned by town. The Town is searching for a new member for their Planning Board. The Town is working on a Road Use agreement for natural gas traffic.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Chapman had one FOIL request and no Fair Housing issues to report. Chapman has been in contact with Robert Hendricks, a Lighting Specialist from Eastern Energy Solutions. Their company would like to give a proposal on the cost of re-wiring the Municipal Building and the Fire Department.

Trustee Corey reported that Winterfest will be held on Saturday February 15th. The next Events Committee meeting will be January 21st at 2:30. Mayor Excell stated that there will be a craft sale in the Village Office during Winterfest.

Trustee Moore reported that the Codes Officer has not had much going on. On the 23rd of December he completed his in-service training for 2013. He has completed the 2013 yearend report and will be sending that on to the state. Moore stated he would be asking for a copy of that report. Matt attended the house fire this morning and spoke at length with the owner of the building. He reported that when he spoke with the owner, he advised him that when he was ready to repair the structure that he will need a permit, however the Village will waive the permit fees. Mayor Excell stated that he agrees with Matt on waiving the fees under the circumstances; however he does not feel that Matt has the authority to determine that without first obtaining consent from the Board.

Excell stated he is proud of the Earlville Fire Department and their performance at the fire. He was also pleased that they did not need to use pumpers; this was the first time in years that the fire hydrants were functional and able to be used as needed. Trustee Hayes pointed out that the Village DPW was first on the scene and assisted an injured victim.

Trustee Hayes attended the Town of Hamilton meeting and reported that they have a new councilman. Record retention was discussed; their records need to be out of Parry's by May 31st. The Town had an organizational meeting. Hayes had nothing to report for the Fire Department- their December meeting was cancelled. No report from the Opera House and nothing from the seniors or the Museum. Talks are in progress about hosting a Disaster Training Program for the Village of Hamilton; would other municipalities be interested in the training at no charge. Village Trustees showed a definite interest in this. Trustee Hayes spoke with Dog Control Officer Francis Hilsinger. Mr. Hilsinger has recovered from surgery and has been riding around the Village; he has seen no dogs running around. Hayes reported that the Chenango County Hazard Mitigation Plan is complete and turned in. If any of the Trustees would like to look at it, they are more than welcome.

Mayor Excell reports that he has gotten two new compliments on DPW. He is very impressed with the work they are performing. Trustee Corey agreed, they are doing an excellent job. DPW brought to his attention recently the poor condition of Stoddard Ave. Excel and Hayes went over and looked at the street; Excell would like the other Board members to go over and see for themselves the condition it is in. He feels they need to start thinking and discussing what can be done to repair it.

OLD BUSINESS

In old business, Mayor Excell stated that the Village has been looking into purchasing a PA system for use at special events. Ford Seymour recommended an 800 Watt Pyle-Pro VHF Wireless Battery Powered with Echo, iPod and MP-3 input jack for \$223.99 with a 6.5 foot Tripod Speaker Stand for \$28.36 and a Lavalier Wireless Microphone System for \$14.09 to go with the system. At last month's meeting, Mayor Excell suggested that the Board members take time to look over the suggestions to make decision this month on whether this is the system the Village should purchase.

Motion #6-1.14.2014

On a motion by Corey, seconded by Hayes it was approved to purchase a 800 Watt Pyle-Pro VHF Wireless Battery Powered with Echo, iPod and MP-3 input jack for \$223.99 with a 6.5 foot Tripod Speaker Stand for \$28.36 and a Lavalier Wireless Microphone System for \$14.09 to go with the system. A total cost of \$266.44. Motion was approved unanimously, 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

In new business, Mayor Excell would like the Clerk-Treasurer to attend a Grant Writing class that is being offered on March 20-21, 2014 in Syracuse at the SUNY Oswego Metro Center. The class is being presented by Grant Writing USA for a cost of \$425, which includes the workbook, a 300+MB resource CD and free access to online resources. An overnight stay would cost an additional \$161.10. Trustee Chapman advised that Colgate University also offers grant writing courses. Chapman stated that she thought a 12 week course through the University may be more beneficial and cost appropriate. Excell agreed that a course through the University is a good idea and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to look into it, however he feels it would still be beneficial for the Clerk-Treasurer to attend the March training class.

Motion #7-1.14.2014

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Hayes, it was approved for the Clerk-Treasurer to attend the Grant Writing class that is being offered on March 20-21, 2014 in Syracuse at the SUNY Oswego Metro Center for \$425.00, with an over overnight stay at the Genesee Hotel at an additional cost of \$161.10. Motion was approved 4-0.

The Capital Fund Water Project checking account needs to be closed out and the funds transferred to the Water Fund checking account. After a brief discussion,

Motion #8-1.14.201


On a motion by Moore, seconded by Corey, Resolution 32-9 "Close Out Capital Project Water Fund Checking Account and Transfer Funds to the Water Fund Checking Account" stating "the Board of Trustees hereby approves the closing out of the Capital Project Water Fund Checking Account and transferring those funds to the Water Fund Checking Account" was approved 4-0.

Trustee Chapman would like to talk to Village churches and residents about creating a Community Garden. Mayor Excell asked where the garden would be located and what size Chapman thought the garden would need to be. She thought a good size would be 100 feet by 20 feet would be a good size and was unsure of the location. Mayor Excell told her to go ahead and talk to the church leaders and residents to see if there would be any interest.

Local Law 1-2007: Mayor Excell asked if any of the Trustees had thought about how the Law could be changed. Excell would like to get an idea of what everyone would like and then set up a public hearing, followed by a meeting.

Trustee Moore then ended the discussion by a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting at 7:45, seconded by Trustee Chapman, and carried 4-0.

"I certify this document is a true and accurate description of the regular board meeting of the governing board of the Village of Earlville December 10, 2013."


Kelly Beach
Clerk-Treasurer
Village of Earlville

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Resolution 32-9
Close Out Capital Project Water Fund Checking Account and Transfer Funds to the Water Fund Checking Account

Motion made by Trustee Moore

During the regular board session of the Village Trustees (herein "Board") of the Village of Earlville, Counties of Madison and Chenango, State of New York held at the office of said Village Trustees in the Village of Earlville, Counties and State aforesaid, on the 14th day of January 2014,

Present: *William Excell – Mayor*
 Gerald Hayes – Trustee
 Henry Moore – Trustee
 Margaret Corey – Trustee
 Sara Chapman Duvall - Trustee
 Kelly Beach – Clerk/Treasurer

WHEREAS a majority of said Board being present and said meeting having been duly called;

WHEREAS the Capital Water Project has been completed in full and;

WHEREAS the Capital Project Water Fund Checking Account is still open and earning interest;

NOW THEREFORE, on a motion duly made and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees hereby approves the closing out of the Capital Project Water Fund Checking Account and transferring those funds to the Water Fund Checking Account.

Seconded by Board Member Trustee Corey

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Carried: 4-0

Adopted this the 14th day of January 2014

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Kelly Beach
Village Clerk-Treasurer
Village of Earlville

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