

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall

April 9, 2013
7:30 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 March 13, 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 7:30 p.m. Board members present were Trustees Henry Moore, Gerald Hayes, Margaret Corey and Sara Chapman. Also present were Village Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beach, 2 members of the public and Sherburne Councilman, Ed Meyers.

Meeting minutes for March, 12 2013 were approved on a motion by Trustee Corey, seconded by Trustee Chapman, 4-0.

Abstract 705 as presented for Board approval included General Fund totaling the sum of \$11,511.44 which included previously paid items and Fire Department P.O's 0706-0708 for \$194.37. On a motion by Trustee Chapman, seconded by Trustee Corey and approved 4-0, Abstract 705 was approved for payment. Abstract 706 as presented for Board Approval included Water Fund Vouchers totaling \$4,958.76 were approved on a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Chapman, 4-0. Abstract 707 as presented for Board Approval included Trust & Agency Fund Vouchers totaling \$11,511.44 were approved on a motion by Trustee Chapman, seconded by Trustee Corey, 4-0

Sherburne Councilman Ed Meyers reports that there was a natural gas update from the committee. Sherburne is looking into having a donated painting appraised...the cost of the appraisal is around \$1,200.00. Sherburne's Recreation & Parks agreements have all been signed. The next Board Meeting is April 10th at 7pm. Brad Phillips had questions on the Natural Gas in regards to Sherburne. Meyers stated that the bottom line is that the towns or villages cannot stop the drilling; they can only keep the residents updated.

Trustee Chapman reported that she had nothing to report for FOIL or for the Skate Park. The kids are starting to use the skate park with the nicer weather here. The committee for the Wiring project met regarding the electric wiring in the Village Building. They have decided that they can go no further on the project until they have more information on funding for the project; they are still looking into grants. Mayor Excell stated that he has recently spoken with Laura Nowak and she stated that she is willing to help the Village write and apply for grants for a small fee.

Trustee Corey reported that she had nothing to report; the next Events committee meeting was later this week. Mayor Excell stated that he has been in touch with the American Fireworks Co. and they are sending a contract for the Fireworks display for Earlville Days. Excell is also working on getting a conservation dog for Earlville Days and has been in touch with Life Net; they are also forwarding a contract to Excell.

Trustee Moore reported that he has spoken to the Judge about getting monthly statistics to him for Board Meetings. The CEO had no Building permits issued in the past month, but has answered some questions regarding an upcoming project. The CEO will be attending a 6 hour in-service training on the 24th of April and will not be in the office that week. His full-time job hours have changed and he is temporarily filling a day time position requiring 4 days a week, so he has scheduled his time as CEO for Thursday nights, but he will still be available when needed and will adjust things to perform inspections and complaints as they come in. Mayor Excell asked why he had not gotten Board approval prior to the change in his hours.

Trustee Hayes reports that the Opera House has summer programs ongoing. He has talked to them about obtaining the required contract for the 2013-2014 budget. Hayes attended the April 4th Fire

Company meeting; the highlights of the meeting are: The Fire Company will donate \$200.00 to the Earlville Events Committee, all Board Members expressed their gratitude and asked Hayes to convey same at the next Fire Company meeting in May. The Fire Company held its annual election of officers; following the votes, the following are the 2013-2014 elected officers- President- Sue Huff, Vice President- Jim Doyle, Secretary- Diane Bensley, Treasurer- David Bensley, Investment Treasurer- Ford Seymour, Chaplain- Floyd Nower, Chief- Tim Huff, 1st Asst. Chief- John Fontaine, 2nd Asst. Chief- Jeremy Shaw.

Mayor Excell reported that DPW has been very busy. Hamilton was down today sweeping the streets. Stone is needed for the ball field; the Village ordered the stone and the softball league will reimburse the Village for the cost. The Town of Hamilton came down today and removed the tree stump in the Village Park. The DPW guys will finish cleaning it up and Jerry & Sons Trees will be called to plant the donated replacement tree. DPW has begun to pick up brush. It must be cut in 3-4 foot lengths, no more than 2" in diameter and must be left on the curb.

In old business, recycle bins will be ordered for the Village Green. There is a concern that other items (such as dog feces) will be put into the recycle bins. Mayor Excell stated that the DPW will not be responsible for sorting through such unhygienic recyclables. Trustee Chapman stated she will remove recycles if there are undesirable items mixed in. On a motion by Moore seconded by Chapman, 4-0 it was agreed to purchase recycling bins and put them out in the Green for the summer, with the understanding that if they are not used for cans and bottles only or if unhygienic items become too out of hand, the bins will be removed.

In new business, the NYSEG Energy Efficiency Program has forwarded the results of their assessment of the Village's lighting costs and efficiency in the Village Office, Fire Department and the DPW. For the DPW it is estimated that a total cost for replacing 14 old style fluorescent lights and fixtures will cost \$1,203.47, of that NYSEG will contribute \$653.83, leaving the Village to pay \$549.54 towards replacement. They estimate a savings of \$80.30 per year with these upgrades. For the Fire Department, Village Office, and Upstairs area, they suggest upgrading 52 bulbs and fixtures for a total cost of \$4,975.63, of which the Village would be responsible for \$2,152.95 of costs, with a projected savings of \$329.40 a year. Mayor Excell pointed out that in the provided contracts that the "connected load at Customer's Facility may increase if the Work involves replacing burned out or missing lamps". After a brief discussion, the assessments and contracts were tabled for the time being, as the Board Members feel that the existing wiring and load should be corrected first, and then the Village could consider moving forward with replacing light fixtures with more energy efficient fixtures.

Budget Line Adjustments were discussed, a copy of the adjustments are attached to the official Meeting Minutes. Mayor Excell asked about incentives for the Fire Department to not spend all their funds; to perhaps save some at the end of the year to be used for a Fund Balance. Currently there are no incentives in place.

Vendor Permit charges were discussed. Mayor Excell would like to see the vendor fee for not-for Profit vendors waived. Currently, the Vendor Permit fees are \$15.00 per event. Mayor Excell would like to see a yearly price set up for Vendors, as it costs too much for the Vendors to pay \$15 per event if they want to set up for multiple events. Trustee Hayes asked if vendors had to have permits and DOH licenses to sell food, including baked goods at the Farmers Market. It is not believed that Vendors need a food license to sell baked goods. Mr. Meyers suggested not charging a fee to Farmers Market vendors, but requiring a Vendor Permit from the Village, that way the Village could keep track of the Vendors in case there ever were an issue with the food items sold. On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Corey, 4-0 it was agreed that all Vendors must have a Vendor Permit, issued by the Village Clerk. This is to include the Farmers Market Vendors, Earlville Days Vendors, and Music in the Park Vendors, Winterfest Vendors and any other Vendor who wishes to sell within the Village and / or on Village Property. Furthermore, Vendor Permits will be at no charge to any Vendor. Mayor Excell abstained from the vote due to conflict of interest; he has purchased a Vendor cart and plans to set it up within the Village at various times.

At 8:17 pm, Trustee Moore motioned, seconded by Trustee Corey, 4-0 to enter Executive session to discuss "matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation". Invited into executive session was Clerk-Treasurer Kelly Beach. At 8:32pm, Hayes motioned to return to public session, seconded by Moore, 4-0. Upon return to Public Session, Mayor Excell announced that DPW worker Bernard Thayer has given a retirement date of May 31, 2013. Thayer will be using his remaining vacation and sick time beginning April

17th. Marc Tucker will be attending a Water Class from April 29th – May 2nd, therefore Thayer will be back to work on those dates and will immediately after return to vacation until his retirement date. The Clerk-Treasurer has submitted a job posting to the Evening Sun and Mid-York, to begin its run next week. Applications will be accepted until May 31, 2013. It was agreed that the new hire will have six months to obtain at his/her cost both a Water Operator's License and a CDL-B license. This will be a requirement of their continued employment.

There was no Public Comment.

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Moore motioned to adjourn the Village of Earlville Board Meeting at 7:56 pm, seconded by Trustee Corey 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 April 9, 2013."



Kelly Beach
Clerk-Treasurer

Village of Earlville

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