

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall

September 10, 2013
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 August 12, 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, CEO Matthew VanHeusen Bernie from Thoma, Sherburne Councilmen Ed Meyers David Craine and 2 members of the public.

Motion #1-9.10.2013

On a motion by Trustee Corey, seconded by Trustee Chapman, Regular Board Meeting Minutes for August 12, 2013 were approved unanimously.

Motion #2-9.10.2013

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Chapman, Abstract 722 which included General Fund Vouchers totaling the sum of \$19,212.66, including Fire Dept. P.O.s 0734-0736 and previously paid items was approved unanimously.

Motion #3-9.10.2013

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Chapman, Abstract 723 which included Water Fund Vouchers totaling \$3,042.85 was approved unanimously.

Motion #4-9.10.2013

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Corey, Abstract 724 which included Trust & Agency Fund Vouchers totaling \$10,864.29 was approved unanimously.

WATER BILLINGS

Three accounts were shut off on Monday for non-payment. Nothing has been heard on two of the accounts; however the resident at 35 N. Main St. has requested assistance. His water bill is \$604.93 for water usage of 107,700 gallons. The resident would like the disconnection and reconnection fees waived as well as a bill reduction. He admitted that there was a leak but believes he has corrected the problem. Mr. Seaton is the tenant at this residence, and the owner refused to assist with repairing the leaks or any other needed repairs. Code Enforcer Van Heusen stated that he will send a letter to the homeowner advising them to correct the leaks as well as other problems with the home.

Motion #5-9.10.2013

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Chapman it was agreed that a payment of \$150.00 will be accepted to turn the water back at 35 North Main St. with payment arrangements for the remaining balance due. The CEO will send a letter to the property owner notifying them of issues with the home that need their immediate attention. Motion was approved unanimously.

THOMA DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS

Bernie Thoma from Thoma Development Consultants was invited to discuss how his company can help the Village write successful grants. Typically Thoma recommends the Board thinking about projects, not grants and giving sketches of projects. They would look at them and give ideas on the type of grants to apply for. They can then advise what the Village needs to do before his organization can write a grant, for example the Village would need to get engineer reports etc. prepared before any work could be started on a grant. Trustee Corey had questions on electric work within the Municipal Building and the Fire Department. Thoma briefly explained some grants that may be available and the process of getting costs prior to beginning the grant writing process. Trustee Hayes asked about DPW vehicles. Thoma stated there are not many grants out there for that purpose. A Special Meeting was scheduled for Monday Sept. 16th at 6 p.m. to discuss Grant ideas and other issues.

NYMIR

David Crane from Mange Ins. was present to present the Insurance renewal policies for the Village and the Fire Department.

TOWN COUNCILMAN

Ed Meyers gave a Town of Sherburne report. They had a meeting last Wednesday to discuss the preliminary budget. The Towns regular meeting will be tomorrow night.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Chapman had no FOIL or Fair Housing to report on. Chapman will be signing up for a grant writing class as part of her college curriculum.

Trustee Corey reported that the Events Committee meets next Tuesday night at Black Cat Antiques. The committee is trying to find volunteers to be part of the Events Committee. The committee would like to rename Winterfest to Christmas or Holiday Celebration and have a Winterfest in February with winter type events. This is currently in the planning stages.

Trustee Moore reported that Judge Hailston gave him no report. VanHeusen was present and gave his report. He is dealing with an issue regarding the handrails at Library. A resident had called him regarding a neighbor calling the police on them for having an open fire to roast marshmallows. VanHeusen stated there are no open burning bans in effect at this time and therefore they were doing nothing wrong. Van Heusen presented a copy of Cortland's Vacant Building Registry and laws. He would like to discuss adopting this as it is an avenue to deal with vacant properties within the Village. The Board members will read thru the Registry and Laws and they will discuss it further at the Special Meeting on Monday September 16th.

Trustee Hayes reported that the Fire Department is holding its annual Mum Sale on the 14th of September. They will also be have a pancake breakfast on the 9th of November. The Annual Banquet and Inspection will be September 28th at the Country Club. The Museum has very few people left to handle operations. Members have asked Hayes what they should do. It was suggested they talk to area Historical Societies or similar organizations. Hayes is going to the Extreme Weather Conference on the 13th of this month. There has been no Town of Hamilton meeting since last village meeting. On October 16 & 18 there are meetings in Norwich on the records keeping and archive program; the Village Clerk & Trustee Hayes are registered to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

A voice message was received in the Village Office from a Village resident stating that the Village Attorney had been contacted regarding their water bill and they would not be paying said bill until the matter was resolved by the attorney. This resident had installed water well within Village limits and is not using Village supplied water; therefore they do not feel they should have to pay any portion of a water bill. The Clerk contacted William Getman upon hearing this voice message and asked for clarification on the message. Getman stated that he had spoken to Karl Manner over the phone and advised him he would need to speak with the clerk regarding the manner. After explaining to Getman that the resident did in fact live within Village limits and the only charges this resident was being billed for was the Debt Service

Charge; Getman mailed a reply letter to the resident with a cc to the Village. Said letter was read and is attached to these meeting minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

The Village received a letter from the Chenango County Department of Planning & Development inviting the Village to participate in the update of the Muti-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Per Federal regulation the Chenango County Hazard Mitigation Plan, approved by FEMA in 2008, must be formally updated on a five-year cycle. Chenango County, through the Department of Planning and Development, is currently leading this plan update effort whereby the municipalities within the County may formally participate in this process and thus continue to be eligible for federal pre-disaster mitigation funding opportunities and other benefits under the program. After much discussion, it was decided that it was in the best interest of the Village to participate.

Motion #6-9.10.2013

Resolution 32-3

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Hayes, Resolution 32-3 “The Adoption of the Muti-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.” Was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Moore motioned to adjourn the Village of Earlville Board Meeting at 8:43 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 September 10, 2013.”

Kelly Beach
Clerk-Treasurer

Village of Earlville

– Village Seal –

**Resolution 32-3
Adoption of the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan..**

Motion made by Trustee Moore

During the regular board meeting of the Village Trustees 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 10th day of September 2013,

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

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

ALSO WHEREAS, The Chenango County Board of Supervisors has contracted Tetra Tech EM, Inc. to update the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Per Federal regulation the Chenango County Hazard Mitigation Plan, approved by FEMA in 2008, must be formally updated on a five-year cycle. Chenango County, through the Department of Planning and Development, is currently leading this plan update effort whereby the municipalities within the County may formally participate in this process and thus continue to be eligible for federal pre-disaster mitigation funding opportunities and other benefits under the program.

ALSO WHEREAS, Chenango County has elected to facilitate a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation planning update effort, whereby the municipalities within the County may formally participate in this process and so be eligible for federal pre-disaster mitigation funding opportunities. In addition to meeting the participation requirements, each jurisdiction must formally adopt the Plan by resolution with their governing bodies.

NOW THEREFORE, on motion duly made and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby agrees to adopt the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of all Board Members to be noted as Point of Contact.

Seconded by Trustee Hayes

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote; and upon role call, the vote was as follows:

<i>Gerald Hayes, Trustee</i>	<i>Voted</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Henry Moore, Trustee</i>	<i>Voted</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Margaret Corey, Trustee</i>	<i>Voted</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Sara Chapman, Trustee</i>	<i>Voted</i>	<i>yes</i>

*The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted 4-0.
Dated: September 10, 2013*

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted on September 10, 2013 and is recorded in the Meeting Minutes of the Village of Earlville Board of Trustees.

*Kelly Beach
Village Clerk-Treasurer*

– Seal –

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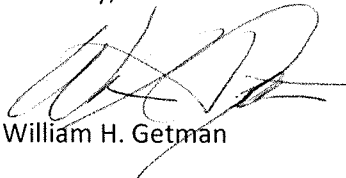
RE: Village of Earlville Water Bill

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Manner:

Following my conversation with Karl I did speak with the Village Clerk concerning the water bill that you received. You do not receive a water bill for usage. The bill you receive is simply for the Village debt service on the water system improvements. Due to the fact that your property is benefited by the system, both for the availability of water and fire protection, your property, as well as all properties in the Village, are obligated to pay a portion of that debt service. You would be obligated to pay that debt service whether or not you have chosen not to be hooked up to the water main.

If you have further questions concerning the billings, please feel free to give me a call.

Sincerely,



William H. Getman

WHG/ams

cc.: Village of Earlville