

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall

August 10, 2017
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 July 11, 2017.

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, Taylor, Muhlfeld and Piliero. The "Village Office" is the Village of Earlville Municipal Office located at 8 North Main Street.

Mayor William Excell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present was Trustees Daniel Piliero, Shari Taylor and Margaret Corey. Jack Muhlfeld was excused. Also present was Village Clerk-Treasurer Kelly Beach, Town of Sherburne Councilman Ed Myers and one resident.

Motion #1-8.10.2017

On a motion by Corey, seconded by Taylor, the Meeting Minutes from the July 11, 2017 Regular Meeting was approved unanimously 3-0.

MOTION # 2-8.10.2017

On a motion by Corey, seconded by Taylor, Abstract 865 General Fund Vouchers totaling \$54,815.14 were approved unanimously, 3-0.

MOTION # 3-8.10.2017

On a motion by Corey, seconded by Piliero, Abstract 866 Water Fund Vouchers totaling \$4,046.97 were approved unanimously, 3-0.

MOTION # 4-8.10.2017

On a motion by Corey, seconded by Taylor, Abstract 867 Trust & Agency Fund Vouchers totaling \$12,807.16 were approved unanimously, 3-0.

TOWN COUNCILMAN REPORT

Ed Meyers reported on the August 9, 2017 Town Councilman meeting. Meyers stated that the Town Highway continues to work on Castle Hill Road; other town roads are being stoned as well. The court will remain where it is for now. The County sales tax check was received. The Book drop box is still up. Meyers gave news on the meat packing plant and a brief discussion followed. The Town's Gasoline contract was discussed. Mayor Excell asked Meyer to drive up to the intersection of Reese Road, Castle Hill and Borden Road. In the past, there was a stop sign on Reese Road and Borden Road had the right of way onto Castle Hill Road. Recently, the Town took down the stop sign and put up a yield sign on Castle Hill Road going onto Borden Road. Excell would like the Town to look at that decision again; he feels that it is dangerous and that there will be a head-on collision.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Margaret Corey reported that the Fire Department would like the pavement in front of fire house repaired. Initially, the DPW thought they could fill it in, but after looking at it closer, they feel that it should be torn up and repaved. Mayor Excell will look into this. The Fire Department inquired about brick repair work. Mayor Excell explained to the Board that initially Citiscape Construction had been given the bid to do the repair work in the spring of this year. When contacted this spring to obtain a start date, the Mayor was told that the work would be completed in July. The Mayor advised Citiscape to forward a contract with a start date and end date. To date, nothing has been received. Mayor Excell will be meeting with Brooks Monroe from Monroe Masonry and Sons who had also submitted an estimate for the brick work, but was unable to do the job because they did not carry the proper insurance. Mr. Monroe now carries insurance and is willing to submit a new estimate. Jamie McGregor has found a vendor for rides during community days; the committee and McGregor are in the process of working out details. There was a discussion regarding issues at the last community days and the changes being made to avoid this in the future.

Trustee Daniel Piliero had no report.

Trustee John Muhlfeld was not present.

Trustee Shari Taylor reported that she had reviewed the July Bank Statements and everything seems to be in order. There was one FOIL request.

NEW BUSINESS

A resident at 9 Madison Street submitted an application permit for non-domesticated animals to have and keep one lamb on her property; after a lengthy discussion between the Board and the resident, it was decided unanimously, 4-0 that the resident may keep one lamb at the residence at 9 Madison Street as long as all rules and regulations are followed per the Local Law 1 of the year 2015.

The Fire Department has two new members pending approval of the board; Margaret Corey as Associate Member of the Fire Company and Rick Crowell as an apprentice member of the Fire Department. After a brief discussion, membership for both was approved 4-0, unanimously.

Excellus Health Insurance is projecting a 5.2% increase in Health Insurance for 2018.

A letter was received from Arthur Thormahlen asking the Village Board to wave late fees and penalties on his 2017 Village Taxes. The due date with no late fees was June 30, 2017. Mr. Thormahlen used NBT Bill Pay to pay his 2017 Village Taxes. The check was received by the Village Office on July 19, 2017, the check was dated June 30, 2017 and the envelope was torn and taped with no postmark. A letter was sent to Mr. Thormahlen with his check enclosed; explaining that his check was received in the Village Office on July 19th with damage to the envelope and no postmark. The letter explained that per *New York Consolidated Laws, Real Property Tax Law- RPT §1432. Collection of Taxes; interest*, his check was being returned and a new check with interest was needed. After a lengthy discussion between the Board, it was decided unanimously, 4-0, Excell, yes, Corey, yes, Piliero, yes, and Taylor, yes, that due to extenuating circumstances not caused by the resident, the charge of \$32.58 for Interest/Penalty on the 2017 Village Taxes will be returned to Mr. Thormahlen.

Four trees have been brought to the Village's attention that needs to be looked at. Two trees on East Main St one tree on the corner of Parsons and Stoddard and one tree at the Skate Park are reported to be dead. Palmer was up and will be submitting an estimate for removal. Mayor Excell will be going to look at the trees to see if the DPW could remove any of them themselves.

Prime Time Services performed a tank and piping test on the fuel oil tank in front of the Village Office. Everything passed, however the technician did advise the clerk to expect a letter from DEC regarding the age of the tank and the need to have it replaced. No records can be found as to when the tank was installed, making the age of the tank a liability. The Board has discussed different options for replacing the tank in the past and Mayor Excell has been in contact with Broedel Energy about installing propane tanks at the back of the building and switching the furnace over to propane. The Clerk will contact Broedel Energy and have them come to the September 12th Board Meeting with estimates and information.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Piliero asked why the DPW has not finished the ramp yet. Mayor Excell will have them working on the ramp as first priority. Excell asked if the kids had been staying off the ramp as signs were put up stating "Under Construction: Do not use". It was noted that the signs were ripped down in front of a Board Member and their spouse on the Saturday of Community Days.

Trustee Taylor mentioned that there is damage to the sidewalk on South Main Street that needs to be addressed. Excell noted that the DPW can repair the damage as soon as the Skatepark ramps are finished.

Mayor Excell has looking into repairing both sets of cement stairs going into the Village building. He will be inquiring about prefab steps and will follow up with the Board at the next Board Meeting.

Mayor Excell stated that he has received several complaints from residents on Taylor about someone speeding and burning out. Excell has spoken to Chenango County Sheriff's and they will be monitoring the situation. Corey noted that she has also received complaints from people on North and South Main Streets for the same issue.

PUBLIC COMMENT

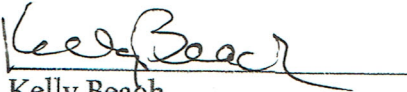
No public comment.

EXECUTIVE

No executive session.

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Corey then ended the meeting by a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:23 pm, seconded by Trustee Piliero and carried 3-0.

"I certify this document is a true and accurate description of the regular board meeting of the governing board of the Village of Earlville August 10, 2017."


Kelly Beach
Clerk-Treasurer
Village of Earlville

