

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

**Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall**

**April 28, 2009
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 on April 2, 2009 and the same posted on the 15th day of April, 2009.

Village Mayor Toni Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Trustees Mark Doeberl, William Excell, Gerald Hayes and Henry Moore. Also present were Village Clerk-Treasurer Christian Vischi and one member of the public.

Abstract #565 (Vouchers #5874-5883) was accepted by a motion from Trustee Doeberl, seconded by Trustee Excell, and it carried 4-0.

We received the heating oil quote from Marshall Farms for the 2009-2010 heating season of \$1.54 per gallon delivered. In the 2008-2009 heating season we pre-purchased 6,200 gallons. As we budgeted for \$15,500 for this coming year (6,200 gallons x \$2.50 estimate per gallon), Trustee Excell made the motion to purchase 10,064 gallons at a total cost of \$15,498.56. The motion was seconded by Trustee Doeberl and carried 4-0. Any unused gallons this coming winter would rollover, without additional expense, to the 2010-2011 heating season.

Mayor Campbell read aloud an e-mail received from Patty Grossmann protesting the enactment of the no parking restriction on the north side of East Main Street. The board restated the rationale for the signs, including traffic congestion for emergency vehicles, lack of visibility for vehicles entering East Main Street from Madison Street and driveway blockage from parked vehicles. After brief dialogue between the board members, Trustee Excell made the motion to postpone discussion for 30 days to see how well the new restriction works as the Quincy Square Museum and the Earlville Opera House enter their 2009 seasons. A second was made by Trustee Doeberl and it carried 4-0. Richard Eades will be invited to the next board meeting to discuss the issue.

Evan Hettig is seeking to do 50 hours of community service. Fire Chief David Baird will be contacted to see if the EFD has any projects Hettig can do.

Brooks Contracting has not submitted a quote for a leaf box yet.

With the village in need of signs, Trustee Excell made a motion to allow for the purchase of up to 20 signs at the discretion of the DPW, along with 10' posts, seconded by Trustee Moore and carried 4-0. Trustee Hayes also recommends that a sign be purchased that states "Village Ordinances in Effect."

Trustee Excell was excused from the meeting.

On a motion from Trustee Hayes, seconded by Trustee Doeberl and carried 3-0, the EFD is approved to host a Roast Pork Dinner on May 31 and a Chinese Auction Benefit, contingent upon receipt of a written request.

Mayor Campbell has appointed two DPW laborers, both are village residents. Richard Zdanowicz will be working Tuesdays and Thursday until May 18 and then full-time to Aug. 24. Robert (Alex) Orellano will be working full-time from May 18 until Aug. 24. The appropriate pink sheets have been sent to the Madison County Department of Personnel / Civil Service.

A brief discussion centered on a well drilled in the village that may be against New York State Department of Health Laws. Discussion was tabled until word is received from the village attorney on an appropriate action to take.

Trustee Excell returned to the meeting.

On Wednesday, May 20 the Planning Board and the Water Committee will hold a joint work session at 7 p.m. to assemble for mailing the Annual Drinking Water Report.

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Hayes and carried 4-0, the board adopted Resolution 28-45 "Village Sponsorship of the Earlville Farmer's Market." The market will be held on Friday afternoons from 3 to 7 p.m., running July 10 through Aug. 28 on the Village Green. Space availability will be first come, first serve.

After a complaint was given to the NYSDOT, the North Main Street village-entrance sign has been taken down and we expect to be given placement options for it in 30 to 90 days. The bowling alley and church signs will also have to come down at the north end of the village.

With damage to the skate park continuing beyond normal wear and tear, a meeting will be held at 7 p.m. May 6 in the Village Office to discuss the future of the skate park. A dirt bike in the skate park was responsible for the most recent damage there. Trustee Hayes recommended authorizing Trustee Excell to say that if damage continues to be done at the facility it will not be repaired and the park will be locked up. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss what can be done to curtail damage without putting more money into the skate park at this time. Mayor Campbell asked Excell to bring a report from the meeting to next month's board session. She reminded the board that if trustees want to attend, they must tell the clerk so that the meeting can be advertised as a public meeting.

After talking with John Galligan, NYCOM's Employee Relations specialist, the village cannot pay non-village employees for mileage accrued performing non-village work. Mayor Campbell will discuss this with the Earlville Senior Citizen Center.

At the April 27 SOMAC Meeting at the White Eagle Conference Center, Mayor Campbell and Trustee Excell relayed that the purpose for the meeting was SOMAC's proposed cost sharing of services. In order to provide 24/7 ALS response, SOMAC estimates they need \$168,000. The Village of Earlville's portion would be 6 percent or approximately \$10,000. Campbell said she had several questions which went unanswered. As SOMAC does not cover Chenango County, a special tax district would have to be set up to charge the Madison County residents of the Village for the \$10,000, resulting in a charge to each parcel of approximately \$43 (\$10,080 / 232 tax parcels). Excell said even without SOMAC Earlville would still receive ambulance service. Campbell said the general consensus of all municipalities in attendance was that \$168,000 was not feasible. Campbell will e-mail her finance questions to SOMAC and hopes to have answers for the next board meeting.

The EOH Director Patti Lockwood-Blais is home recovering from surgery, reported Trustee Hayes.

The Madison County Department of Solid Waste will offer free shredding from 9 a.m. to Noon May 16 in the parking lot of the County Office Building, Wampsville.

A letter was received via fax on April 23 from Sherburne Mayor William Acee requesting a meeting between Mayor Campbell and the Sherburne Recreation Commissioners. A letter has been sent from Earlville requesting additional available dates as the one proposed followed NYCOM's 2009 Main Street Economic Development Conference.

Trustee Excell said he would like the board to discuss at next board meeting a term extension for the trustees to three years, and for the mayor to four years. He will relay what would need to be done to make that happen.

At 8:47 p.m., Trustee Doeberl made the motion 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. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hayes and carried 4-0. A motion was made by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Doeberl and carried 5-0, to terminate the services of Richard Lenhart as Recreation Specialist effective May 31, 2009, contingent upon a

meeting held between the mayor and clerk to inform Lenhart and the Earlville Senior Citizen Center Board of this decision. The position of Recreation Specialist will not be refilled. A letter will be composed addressing the reasons behind this decision.

On a motion by Trustee Excell, second by Trustee Hayes and carried 4-0, the board reentered public session at 9:17 p.m.

Trustee Doeberl made a motion to adopt Resolution 28-46 “Transfer from A-7610.10 to A-7610.40 and A-1990.40”, seconded by Trustee Hayes. The motion called for \$5,000 to be transferred from *Senior Activities - Personal Services* to *Senior Activities – Contractual* and the remaining \$2,770 to be transferred to *Special Items, Contingency – Contractual*. The *Senior Activities – Contractual* line would be given as a stipend in early July for the fiscal year, like the Earlville Opera House and Quincy Square Museum funding is done. Trustee Hayes recommended \$6,000 be transferred to the *Senior Activities – Contractual*, saying that would be easier for the Earlville Senior Citizen Center Board to accept. Trustee Doeberl said the additional \$1,000 is being set aside to cover any potential unemployment insurance shortage. In a vote of the motion it was approved 3-1, with Trustee Hayes voting nay.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Excell, seconded by Trustee Hayes and carried 4-0 at 9:33 p.m. The next board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. May 12 in the Village Office.