

# VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

Regular Monthly Meeting  
Village Hall

April 8, 2008  
7:00 pm

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Village Mayor Toni Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Trustees Mark Doeberl, William Excell and Gerald Hayes. Trustee Kim Boomhower was excused. Also present were Village Clerk-Treasurer Christian Vischi and nine members of the public.

Trustee Doeberl made a motion to accept the Feb. 11 public hearing minutes, seconded by Trustee Hayes, and it carried 3-0. Trustee Hayes made a motion to accept the March 20 regular board minutes, seconded by Trustee Excell, and it carried 3-0. Trustee Excell made a motion to accept the March 24 special board meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Doeberl, and it carried 3-0.

Abstract #538 (Vouchers #5398-5399, 5401-5404) was accepted by a motion from Hayes, seconded by Doeberl, and it carried 3-0. Hayes made a motion to accept Abstract #539 (Vouchers #5400, 5405-5419), seconded by Doeberl, and it carried 3-0. Voucher #5396 was withheld from approval.

Trustee Excell reported that he did not receive a monthly correspondence from the CEO.

For the judge, Excell reported fines and civil fees of \$155 and mandatory surcharges of \$115 for a total check to the state comptroller of \$285. This represented his presiding over 12 individuals with 12 statute violations.

The planning board will be working on local laws at their next meeting, to be held at 7 p.m. April 16 in the Village Office, reported Trustee Doeberl.

The DPW is performing routine maintenance along with cleaning streets. Several purchases were also suggested by Doeberl and all were approved 3-0:

- 5500 Watt generator – Resolution 27-90 from a motion by Hayes, second by Excell, to use up to \$2,000 from Central Garage Contractual to purchase said generator;
- Leak Detector – Resolution 27-91 from a motion by Excell, second by Hayes, to use \$2,000 from Transmission Equipment of the Water Fund for said purchase;
- 22HP Lawnmower – Resolution 27-92 from a motion by Excell, second by Hayes, to spend up to \$2,000 on a 22HP, 48-inch cut lawnmower from a transfer of \$1,000 from Community Beautification Contractual and \$1,000 from Sidewalks Contractual into Parks Contractual.

Mayor Campbell asked if the mower would be of appropriate size and power to cut the ball fields, and Trustees Doeberl and Excell said yes. Trustee Doeberl also suggested purchasing two-way radios, but after a brief discussion no motion came before the board.

A potential replacement of the village dump truck was discussed, including model specs for a Ford F450, Ford F550 and a GM 4500. Doeberl recommended saving the money for now and looking for a late-model truck. Excell asked if a used vehicle would still come with a warranty and Doeberl said it would come with the remainder of the factory warranty. Mayor Campbell asked the clerk to do a comparison schedule of 100 percent payment vs. a 50 percent down payment and financing the other 50 percent.

The Town of Sherburne will be contacted to see if they can push back the fill at the Village Dump. The DPW also requested the brush pick-up announcement to run in the local papers again.

Trustee Hayes reported that he spoke with Adult Recreation Director Dick Lenhart about the senior citizens' use of the program and Lenhart stated that 17 Earlville residents use the center.

Hayes said the Earlville Opera House program has not been made available for the year yet. Hayes also said the Fire Department has elected new officers.

The village will send a thank you note to the Village of Hamilton for street sweeping.

The DPW will be mulching around the trees prior to Memorial Day, and planting flowers as weather permits.

Mark Taub said the village has \$2,800 in grant money remaining and the DPW will look to get quotes for replacing the small parcel of grass in front of the library with brick.

After some discussion on health insurance options provided by Kelly Pinney, FLMI of Mang Wilber LLC, Mayor Campbell made the recommendation of going with a CDPHP plan which would decrease the cost per employee from the current Excellus plan rate of \$455.33 for single coverage to \$394.53. The new plan would go into effect June 1 and would run fiscal year with the village, meaning a locked-in rate until June 2009. Trustee Hayes made the motion to switch the two DPW members and the village clerk to CDPHP's EPO-EB1S07, seconded by Trustee Excell, and it carried 3-0. Trustee Hayes then made the motion to switch the Adult Recreation Director to Medicare Advantage through CDPHP, seconded by Doeberl, and it carried 3-0. The switch to CDPHP will save the village \$421.33 per month on coverage for the Adult Recreation Director. On a motion by Excell, seconded by Doeberl, resolution 27-93 was approved 3-0 to pay \$425 to SIEBA Ltd. to draft a Section 125 document to be federally compliant to withdraw health insurance premiums from employees' checks pre-tax.

Pinney also recommended making a motion to adopt a policy to not reimburse Medicare premiums for active employees or retirees. Village Attorney William Getman will be asked for input.

Village Resident Victor Petryakov asked about remedies speeding; John Mancuso of the New York State Department of Transportation will be written to for possible solutions.

Village Resident William Excell Sr. and Trustee Doeberl will work together to present a proposal at the May 13 board meeting for police coverage/presence in the village.

On a motion by Trustee Doeberl, second by Hayes, resolution 27-94 was approved 3-0 to relevy unpaid water rents to their respective counties.

Village Resident Michael Kicinski requested the board change back to the Mid-York Weekly as the official newspaper. Clerk-Treasurer Vischi cited state law that requires an official newspaper have a paid circulation.

Village Resident David Young said he would like the board to revisit the lawn tractor purchase and spend more money. He said with the village proposing to have more mowing this year than last, the DPW could find a John Deere that is built better for only a little more expense.

Village Resident Colin Smith asked if the board has considered upgrading the welcome signs at the entrances to the village. Trustee Doeberl is looking into it. Smith also suggested placing the village police car at the entrances to the village to potentially slow down some speed violators.

Trustee Hayes made a motion to enter Executive Session at 8:40 p.m., seconded by Trustee Excell and carried 3-0, to discuss the financial and credit history of a particular corporation. There was no action taken in executive session.

Regular session resumed at 9:23 p.m. Trustee Excell made a motion to approve the purchase of a small refrigerator and microwave for the office, seconded by Trustee Doeberl, and it carried 3-0.

With no further items to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made at 9:34 p.m. by Trustee Doeberl, second by Hayes, and it carried 3-0.

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**About potential Dump Truck replacement**

**They would like a Ford F450 which is 16000 pounds gross vehicle weight roughly 2,400 pounds to overload it - Box holds 2-3 yard box**

**Ford F550 increase roughly 2000-3000 pounds one step up from F450 in terms of size**

**GM 4500 increase roughly 2000-3000 pounds (larger than F450)**

**All are gas motors (roughly \$8,000 savings over diesel)**

**New \$45,000 (fully equipped)**

**Doeberl recommend save the money for now and look for late model used one**

**Excell – if we go used can they warranty them? Doeberl they can, we would get remainder of factory warranty**

**Clerk to do-Toward truck Schedule \$50,000 payments pay 50% keep 50% in CD and how would they rate**

**Hayes – should have bulldozer push the dump back (need to hire someone) ~\$1,500**

**Contact Town of Sherburne if they could be available to do it**

**Bob Brunschmidt at Sherburne to see if they are available to do it**

**Hayes – Senior Citizen Center – talked with Dick and he said 17 Earlville resident use the center**

**Put in the paper their turn out for programs**

**Talked with opera House, program not out for the year yet**

**FD elected officers**

**Nothing new on the fire truck**

**Bush–Jones Water Training – small claims actions against them, ask judge again**

**Still have \$2,800 from grant – discussing with Mark about tearing up sod and replacing with brick in front**

**Just causes mud everywhere**

**Need to match walkway**

**Get grant to get tables for use, to utilize the money left from streetscape project**

**Shari – great use for WiFi**

**Not sure of cost of putting brick down, DPW get cost for brick at May board meeting**

**Health Insurance – have reviewed the plans over the past month**

**\$455.33 current plan single, family \$1,157.10**

**85% village, 15% employee**

**Employee who qualifies for CDPHP medicare, we need to transition into the program for them**

**Could be paying \$34 per month for the employee**

**Paying fully ensured premium even though Medicare is picking u the cost**

Because we have less than 20 employees he has to be covered by Medicare by law as primary  
Could qualify for EPIC

Toni – recommend going with Quote 2 and not covering deductible

CDPHP Option 2 – no rate increase June 2008-June 2009

Take into effect June 1

Motion Hayes to switch to Mang CDPHP Quote 2 EPO, second Excell 3-0

CDPHP – motion Hayes, Doeberl 3-0

Pay \$450 to be compliant CIBA LTD for Section 125 document, Excell motion, Doeberl second 3-0  
27-93

Through Mang, Zyway would give us a prototype employee handbook

Madison Sheriff problem is of personnel availability

Hayes – Consideration of Village Police force again?

Toni – Problem is filling the position, additional costs involved (retirement, health, etc.)

William Excell Sr. – read about things that should happen and don't

Problem with the park to the rear of his residence

Contract seems a little low to me

\$20,000 for 20 hours per week and they provide the vehicle

The contract isn't really the best sometimes

Toni – Excell Sr. and Doeberl come up with a proposal for the board? Yes, I'd be happy to for May  
13 board meeting

– Would like to revisit the law tractor expenditure and spend more money

Propose to have more mowing this year than last year

Can find a John Deere that is built better for not a lot more

A lot more hours this year than in the past

Personal opinion if you get a used truck it is better

Just an idea about speeding – take police car and park it on each end of the street to slow some  
down

Excell Sr. – it really makes a difference

Smith - Borrow or rent a sign?