

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall

Sept. 8, 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 at least seven days in advance and the same posted on the 23rd day of August, 2009.

Village Mayor Toni Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Board members present were Trustees Mark Doeberl, William Excell and Henry Moore. Trustee Gerald Hayes was excused. Also present were Village Clerk-Treasurer Christian Vischi, Fire Chief David Baird, David Craine of Mang Insurance Agency and James Stanton of Vellano Bros., Inc.

On a motion by Trustee Excell, second by Trustee Moore and approved 3-0, the board approved Abstract #579 (Vouchers #6069-6071). Abstract #580 (Vouchers #6072-6090) was then approved on a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Doeberl and approved 3-0.

David Craine presenting the board with updated figures for both municipal and fire department insurance for the coming fiscal insurance year. He presented the first of three checks for \$990, which came from a declared return of capitalization fee by NYMIR. When the village joined them in 1994 for insurance coverage, the state insurance department required a capitalization fee; NYMIR is returning 70 percent of that capitalization fee. As a summary of the new village insurance policy, Craine relayed that the renewal is approximately a \$215 savings from the expiring policy. He recommended that the village carry excess liability coverage of at least \$1 million. The FD coverage will renew in March 2010 with a premium increase of approximately \$315. Craine also recommended additional primary umbrella liability insurance.

James Stanton discussed the capabilities of radio read water meters and what the benefits of their installation during the upcoming water improvement project would be to the village in terms of monitoring both production and consumption. The meters shown carry a 20-year warranty on the battery (10-year non-prorated) and cost approximately \$185 for each meter. Stanton said a NYS Archives grant could pay for the laptop computer needed and the new billing/monitoring software.

After discussion on the proposed contract by Municipal Solutions, Inc., the board approved 3-0 to adopt Resolution 29-5 "Agreement to Enter Into Contract with Municipal Solutions, Inc" on a motion by Trustee Excell. The resolution was seconded by Trustee Doeberl and carried 3-0.

The body of the resolution reads:

"WHEREAS the Village has resolved to authorizing the issuance of serial bonds of said village to pay the cost of reconstruction and construction improvements to the Village of Earlville water system, in and for the village of Earlville, at a maximum estimated cost of \$3,485,000; and

WHEREAS the Village seeks council on cash flow, optimum maturity dates and other financial issues related to the borrowing of said Bond Anticipation Notes;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion duly made and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the contract presented by Municipal Solutions, Inc., dated August 26, 2009, that outlines Municipal Solutions services to the Village for the reconstruction and

construction improvements to the Village of Earlville water system financed using USDA Rural Development loan and grant funding.”

On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Excell and carried 3-0, the board approved for surplus a list of items that will appear in the next newsletter for sale on a first come, first serve basis.

Trustee Excell read aloud the CEO report and said the softball tournament planned for Sept. 12-13 was still on track with six teams registered.

Trustee Moore reported that Justice Faulkner’s August court action included fines, fees and surcharges of \$560. This represented his presiding over four individuals with four statute violations. An update was given on an investigation by the animal control officer.

The village received written notification that the village’s “Small Cities Community Development Block Grant” re-application in the amount of \$400,000 with the Office for Community Renewal was not approved. The village will reapply in 2010 as the application fee will be waived by Riverstreet Planning. Mayor Campbell will follow up with Office for Community Renewal to see where our application placed.

On Sept. 22 Take Off Pounds Sensibly will be using the Low Down Wagon Trail and fields at the former Earlville school for a walk.

The DPW is OSHA compliant and we will request a letter from them acknowledging so.

On a motion by Trustee Moore and seconded by Trustee Excell, the former police car will be scrapped without a title needed, minus the police radios, and a letter will be sent to the high bidder along with a return check explaining that a transfer of the vehicle is not possible without the title. The motion was approved 3-0.

Trustee Excell made a motion, seconded by Trustee Moore and carried 3-0, to prohibit private (non-permitted) cooking and kegs of beer for all 2010 Village sponsored softball events.

A letter from Dale DeMuro to the EFD was read aloud.

Mayor Campbell asked Fire Chief Baird about the “Savings Account for the Building Fund” as noted on the fall Mum Fundraiser by the EFD Ladies’ Auxiliary and he will get clarification.

A 9/11 service will be held on Friday at 6 p.m. in the downtown park. Mayor Campbell will be out of town Sept. 16-17. Trustee Moore will be out of town Sept. 11-13. Winterfest is scheduled for the first weekend in December and discussion will take place on its activities at the Sept. 22 board meeting.

Trustee Excell made a motion, seconded by Trustee Doeberl and approved 3-1, to spend up to \$2,000 on colored Christmas lights – not frosted or coated lights – for the downtown tree. Voting nay was Trustee Moore.

With no further business to discuss and no public comment, Trustee Excell made a motion to adjourn at 8:47 p.m., seconded by Trustee Moore and carried 3-0. The final scheduled second board meeting of the month will be held at 7 p.m. Sept. 22.