

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall

August 14, 2012
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 July 11, 2012.

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 Gerald Hayes, Henry Moore, Sara Chapman and Margaret Corey. Also present were Village Clerk Treasurer Kelly Beach and 2 members of the public.

Abstract 680 as presented for Board approval included General Fund Voucher's #7088-7096 totaling the sum of \$3,589.21. On a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Chapman and approved 4-0, Abstract 680 was approved for payment. Abstract 681 as presented for Board approval, included Fire Department PO's 0671-0675 totaling \$534.30 was approved on a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Corey, 4-0. Abstract 682 as presented for Board Approval included Water Fund Vouchers W56-W59 totaling \$310.07 were approved on a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Corey, 4-0.

Meeting minutes for July 31, 2012 were approved on a motion by Hayes, seconded by Moore, 4-0.

In the Trustee reports, Trustee Hayes reported that the Opera House has been busy. He had no report from the seniors. The Animal Control Officer billed 86 miles; he was called to Earlville 3 times from June 1st to July 24th. One call was believed to be a crank call as everything was fine when he arrived- the dogs were either in a dog run or tied up. One dog was taken and left at the SPCA, three dogs from the same call were also taken to the SPCA, and however their owners were there when he arrived. The owners claimed the dogs and no charges were billed to the Village.

Trustee Chapman reported that the use of the skate park has gone down; she has seen only a few kids in the park. She stated that it has been noted that there have been a bunch of kids hanging out near the Box Factory. Excell stated that the Village could do nothing about that as they were on private property. Residents and the property owners could however call the police if the kids were causing trouble or being nuisances.

At the August Fire Dept. meeting; on the 15th the Fire Dept. would like to sell food during the Cassidy Lynn concert. On a motion by Moore, seconded by Hayes, it was approved 4-0. The Ladies Auxiliary would like to have a Fall Mum Sale on Saturday, September 15 from 9am until sold out. This was unanimously approved. The Fire Dept. would like to use the pump house area for practice of tearing apart cars. Mayor Excell recommended that they set up a program so the public can watch. Hayes motioned that the Fire Dept. be allowed to use the area for practice, Chapman seconded, Moore voted nay, Corey, voted nay and Excell voted in favor. Excell explained that they need to pick up after themselves. Corey stated she still feels they should do it in public. Last month's bills for annual physicals were discussed. Chief Huff hopes to change the procedure so that the costs will fall under the individual's health insurance, to save the village costs. Excell stated they do not need to be done every year.

Trustee Hayes has recently called 2 places regarding the sale of the pumper truck. One company called back the next day and would like info on the truck...they are going to have a meeting to discuss and will get back to Hayes. Hayes spoke with a lady at the farmers market about the success of the market. It was suggested that more publicity be provided. Excell suggested we use the Fire Dept. sign on Fridays to advertise the market; DPW can put the sign on the corner on Fridays. At the Town of Hamilton board meeting, shared services for fuel oil were again discussed.

Trustee Moore reported that the codes enforcer has had no one contact him about any new projects and he has performed inspections on various work in process projects. He has addressed 2 violations

within the Village regarding garbage pile up. One was cited and a notice sent. As of 8/13/2012 the majority has been cleaned up. Van Heusen will be keeping an eye on this to make sure it stays cleaned up. The other garbage violation was sent a notice on 8/13/2012. He is waiting for a response. There are 3 wells within the Village limits that we are aware of, letters sent out to all 3. Moore read out loud the letters that were sent to the well owners. Mayor Excell explained that to have a well within the Village, residents would have to have their water tested every month, they would have to install a backflow valve and they would still be charged the debt service charge of \$46.82 quarterly.

Mayor Excell reported that a rep was not sent to the Lebanon meeting. DPW is working on the Preston St. sidewalk; one section of the sidewalk is finished. A tree on Fayette Street needs to be taken down, as the bottom of the tree is rotten and the whole thing is ready to fall. A call will be made to Sprattleys and ASAP Tree Service (Howie Palmer) to get prices and have one take down the tree as soon as they can.

Trustee Corey reported that the Event Committee is working on the Cassidy Lynn event that happens tomorrow night; everything is ready to go. Excell commented that the Fire Dept. will be selling food; this was not known at the time that he told another vendor about the event, 1 Street Over was also given a Vendors Permit to have a concession stand at the concert.

Moore suggested sending a thank you letter to the town of Lebanon for the use of their roller. Moore stated there was a comment about not being able to find certain food vendors at Earlville Days. A question was raised on whether non-profits should be charged for Vendor Permits. No decision was reached on this.

In Old Business, Excell recommends that if someone wants to put in a bid for the work to be done upstairs, they get ahold of him and he will take them up and show them what the village wants; that way there is no questions or confusion. Trustee Moore motioned to approve putting a notice in the paper inviting bids for work to be done upstairs to add an office for the sheriff's Department, Chapman seconded, 4-0. Chapman questioned why there were bills for the cub cadet when it was originally stated that it would be sold or traded in. Moore said he thought it was decided by the Board to keep the Cub Cadet for backup. Chapman asked if anything new had come about the property on Abbott Ave that was left to the village upon a resident's death. So far, nothing more has been heard.

In new business, the Ladies Auxiliary would like to host the Fall Mums Plant Sale on September 15 from 9:00 a.m. until sold out at the Fire House. On a motion by Hayes, seconded by Chapman, 4-0 the Fall Mums Plant Sale was approved.

Excell stated he felt Taylor and Greene St. needs a stop sign to replace the current yield sign. On a motion by Hayes, seconded by Moore, 4-0, it was approved to install a stop sign at the intersection of Taylor and Greene.

The Clerk-Treasurer and the Mayor will be in Lake Placid for the NYCOM Fall Training on the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting of September 11; on a motion by Moore, seconded by Chapman; it was approved to move the September Board Meeting to 9/18/12 at 7pm, 4-0.

A resident stated that Fayette and I2B needs a crosswalk. Mayor Excell stated that the resident would need to contact the State regarding this as it is a State Road. The same resident stated that there is grass growing in the cracks of the sides of street, but in Hamilton, there is no grass and it looks terrible. Again, Mayor Excell told the resident that the state must be called for maintenance of state roads.

In Public comment it was suggested that the Village organize more events and activities over behind the old school on Fayette Street. The resident commented that attendance seems to be better when activities are done over there as there is more room for events, and more parking areas. She suggested moving the Farmers Market over there and advertising for it, perhaps also charging a fee to the vendors for setting up. She suggested removing the Skate Park and expanding the children's playground. Excell stated that the Skate Park stays there for now, as the taxpayers and kids worked hard to put the Skate Park together, it must stay. Excell suggested that the resident join the events committee as she seems to have a lot of ideas. Excell also suggested to Corey that the events committee discuss the resident's ideas about moving the Farmers Market to the Fayette Street fields as well as talking to the Farmers Market vendors to see how they feel about moving to the field.

At 8:13 Trustee Moore, motioned to go into executive session "to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment

employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension or removal of a particular person or corporation." seconded by Corey, 4-0. At 8:16 the meeting returned to public session.

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Hayes motioned to adjourn the Village of Earlville Board Meeting at 8:16pm, seconded by Trustee Moore 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 on August 14, 2012."



Kelly Beach
Clerk-Treasurer

Village of Earlville



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