

VILLAGE OF EARLVILLE

**Regular Monthly Meeting
Village Hall**

**Oct. 9, 2007
7:00 pm (Post Public Hearing)**

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Village Mayor Toni Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:42 p.m. Board members present were Trustees Amy Clark, Mark Doeberl and Gerald Hayes. Trustee Kim Boomhower was absent. Also present were Village Clerk Christian Vischi and 18 members of the public.

A motion was made by Trustee Clark to accept the Sept. 12 minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Hayes, and the motion carried 3-0. Trustee Hayes made a motion to accept the minutes from the Sept. 18 special meeting, seconded by Trustee Doeberl, and the measure carried 3-0.

Trustee Doeberl made a motion to accept Abstract #529 (Vouchers #5215 - #5222) without voucher 5217, seconded by Trustee Clark. Mayor Campbell said Vestal Asphalt has some work remaining in the village and would be paid upon its completion. The motion carried, 3-0.

Trustee Clark reported that there have been no FOIL requests received for the month. The Skate Park has been completely resurfaced, and a letter of thanks will be sent to Camp Pharsalia for the great job they did.

Reporting on Fire Department news, Trustee Clark said there will be a Board of Directors meeting on Oct. 18. She also reported that Chelsea Worden passed the EMT test, bringing the total to three new EMT members this year. There is a problem with vehicle 153 and they are hoping it will be fixed soon. The annual Earlville Fire Department banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 27 at the White Eagle Conference Center. The Fire Department will host an open house Wednesday this week.

A tentative Water Committee meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. Oct. 15 at the Village Office.

A new flier, revised by the Water Committee and Trustee Clark, was given to board members. The plan is for distribution of it by door-to-door by Water Committee members.

A special Board of Trustees meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Oct. 23 for the return of unpaid taxes to the county. Also, the new flier will be on the agenda for approval.

Trustee Doeberl said there is no report from the planning board.

In DPW news, Trustee Doeberl said oil stoning has been accomplished, along with routine summer/fall duties. Leaf pick-up has begun and brush pick-up will end on Oct. 29.

Trustee Hayes reported that there have been two nice exhibits on painting and wood sculpture at the Earlville Opera House.

A clarification was requested for the village elections in the Mid-York Weekly.

Mayor Campbell said Halloween will be celebrated on Oct. 31 in the village, with Trick-O-Treating to end by 9 p.m.

Mayor Campbell also said Streetscape has moved forward with a purchase plan – for a gazebo, benches, trash cans, whiskey-barrel planters and banners for the street lights – sent to the State Historic Preservation Office for approval. She said it should take approximately two weeks for approval.

The annual Winterfest Celebration will be held on Dec. 1 in the village, including a 6 p.m. holiday parade followed by Santa and snacks at the library. An activities committee meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Oct. 15 to plan for the celebration.

The DPW will be putting up the village holiday decorations on or about Nov. 28.

As per a request from Earlville Fire Department Secretary Diane Bensley, Trustee Clark made a motion to accept the removal of Hal Stevens and Robert Stevens from the membership roster and the addition of Travis Whitmore, and two associate members: Toni Campbell and Vicki Tracy. Trustee Doeberl seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

The 2008 Fire Protection Contract, Resolution 27-41, was discussed and the following motions were approved:

- Trustee Hayes made a motion to approve the Town of Sherburne's portion of the 2008 Fire Contract of \$6,898.92, seconded by Trustee Clark and carried 3-0.
- Trustee Clark made a motion to approve the Town of Hamilton's portion of the 2008 Fire Contract of \$18,562.10, seconded by Trustee Doeberl and carried 3-0.
- Trustee Hayes made a motion to approve the Town of Lebanon's portion of the 2008 Fire Contract of \$27,412.35, seconded by Trustee Clark and carried 3-0.

The Village of Earlville's portion is \$22,173.86, \$13,261.16 from the Town of Hamilton side of the village and \$8,912.70 for the Town of Sherburne side.

Trustee Doeberl said the A-frame on the pick-up truck has been repaired three times by the DPW. The cost to replace it would be \$605.15. The small tractor that removes snow from the village sidewalks is also in need of a new six-foot angled plow. The cost was estimated to be \$2,786.00. Both items would be installed by the DPW. Trustee Doeberl made a motion to approve Resolution 27-42, moving \$1,750 from the sidewalk contractual budget line to the Central Garage Equipment budget line, seconded by Trustee Clark. The resolution was approved 3-0.

Trustee Doeberl then made a motion to purchase an eight-foot plow A-frame for the DPW pick-up truck from Chenango Truck Equipment, seconded by Trustee Clark. The motion carried 3-0. Trustee Doeberl also made a motion to purchase a six-foot angled plow, seconded by Trustee Clark, and the motion passed 3-0.

Three estimates were received by Trustee Doeberl for the removal of trees in the village in the direst condition. He said 17 trees have been identified by a conservator as being bad; one has already been removed. Hubbardsville's Armstrong Restoration gave an estimate of \$8,640 for four trees and stumps to be removed. ASAP, which was used last year, gave an estimate of \$2,500. The low bid came from D's Tree Service and Logging of Hamilton for \$2,400. Trustee Doeberl made a motion to allow the DPW to contact D's Tree Service to have the four worst of the 17 identified trees removed, seconded by Trustee Hayes. The vote passed 2-1, with Trustee Clark voting against the motion.

Mayor Campbell said it is hoped that the County Sherriff's Office will be using the former village police station as a field office beginning next month.

Trustee Doeberl said copies of the Community Survey results are available at the Village Office and the Earlville Free Library for perusal by village residents.

Local Law #1 for 2007 will be tabled until the Nov. 13 regular board meeting to give the trustees time to address the issues raised by the public during the hearing prior to the board meeting.

Village Resident David Young suggested the village utilize a service other than D's Tree Service.

A resident asked about hydrant flushing and Trustee Doeberl said he believed the DPW was done for the year.

Mayor Campbell said Vestal Asphalt has a few spots left to accomplish.

Village Resident Mike Kicinski said he made a FOIL request for meeting minutes for April 6, Trustee Doeberl said there was no meeting on that date.

Mayor Campbell said there will be a County Sheriff's patrol on Halloween night.

With no further business, Trustee Clark made a motion to adjourn at 8:24 p.m., seconded by Trustee Doeberl. The motion carried 3-0. The next board meeting will be at 7 p.m. Nov. 13.