

**CITY OF EARLVILLE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
April 7, 2021, 7:00 p.m.  
Remote Electronic Meeting**

In light of the current COVID-19 public health emergency and pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, Mayor Michael S. Hall, determined that an in-person meeting was not practical, prudent nor in the best interest of the citizens as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency. The meeting of the City of Earlville Committee of the Whole was held remotely, by electronic means, on April 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Citizens joined by WEBEX at: <https://cityofearlville.my.webex.com/cityofearlville.my/j.php?MTID=m8858c13ae54ffcd5d0ace95d1711d965> Meeting Number/Access Code: 182 976 7781, Meeting password: 3NyTD6H4Q7f (36983644 from phones and video systems) or joined by phone at 1-415-655-0001, Meeting Number/Access Code: 182 976 7781, Meeting Password: 36983644.

The meeting was opened up at 6:30 p.m. to allow ample time for everyone wanting to attend to join the meeting. Anyone who wished to speak during Public Voice called (815-246-9588) and left a message or emailed [deputyclerk@earlvilleil.org](mailto:deputyclerk@earlvilleil.org) by 5:00 p.m. on April 7, 2021 to be placed on the public voice list. Any person wishing to have a written comment read at the meeting, during Public Voice, submitted such statement prior to 5:00 p.m. on April 7, 2021 by placing the statement in the drop box at City Hall or emailing it to [deputyclerk@earlvilleil.org](mailto:deputyclerk@earlvilleil.org).

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Alderman Actis led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the remote electronic meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following members were present by Webex remote participation: Mayor Michael Hall, Alderman Mark Actis, Alderman Robin Austin, Alderman Edward Farley, Alderman Michael Goodbred, Alderman Chuck Jenkins, and Alderman Steven Osborne.

Visitors at the meeting were Tom King, Kevin Zollars, Chris Bland, Nick Arps of McMahon, Roger Torman, Wilma Stillwell, Chief Darin Crask, Martha Dankenbring, and Stu Bloom (Earlville Post).

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Farley to amend the order of the agenda by moving Item A under Finance and Item A under Public Works, to immediately follow the approval of the agenda, to accommodate the people needing to speak on these items. On Roll Call: Alderman Actis – aye, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Mayor Hall – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodbred, to approve the agenda as amended. On Roll Call: Mayor Hall - aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Austin - aye, Alderman Actis - aye, Alderman Goodbred - aye, Alderman Farley – aye, and Alderman Jenkins – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Chris Bland reviewed the Statement of Work from Google workspace for the migration of the email platform to the cloud and answered any questions. Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins to place the Statement of Work from Google workspace on the Council agenda for approval. On Roll Call: Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Mayor Hall – aye. MOTION CARRIED. Chris Bland left the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Nick Arps of McMahon answered any questions regarding the Professional Services Agreement for the grind and overlay of Railroad Street from North Main Street to Northwestern Street. This engineering work was approved at the March 10, 2021 City Council meeting. Nick Arps left the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

### **PUBLIC VOICE**

Kevin Zollars of the Earlville Business Association gave an update on the Cruise Night and stated they plan to bring in outside vendors to supplement the food available for the event due to the closing of restaurants and bars in town.

Mayor Hall made a motion, seconded by Alderman Osborne to cooperate with the Earlville Business Association in any way we can to have a successful Car Show. On Roll Call: Alderman Osborne – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Alderman Austin – aye, Mayor Hall – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Tom King thanked Mr. Hall for his dedication and past service to the Earlville government. He is looking forward to having Mr. Actis help Earlville grow and prosper and made suggestions for changes.

Martha Dankenbring stated that the front door has been unlocked for a few weeks.

### **CONSENT AGENDA – OMNIBUS VOTE**

Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Goodbred, to approve consent agenda as follows:

- Approval of March 3, 2021 regular Committee Meeting minutes
- Recommendation payment of all bills be placed on Council agenda

On Roll Call: Alderman Actis - aye, Mayor Hall – aye, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Jenkins - aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, and Alderman Goodbred – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

### **FINANCE**

The annual Wage Ordinance was discussed. Mayor Hall made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin to move continued discussion / decision on the Wage Ordinance to the Council meeting next week. On Roll Call: Alderman Austin – aye, Mayor Hall – aye, Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Osborne - aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

Roger Torman stated he had no updates to report. Alderman Actis made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to move discussion / decision on repairs to the waterworks building to next month's Committee of the Whole meeting when we will have more information. On Roll Call: Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Actis - aye, Mayor Hall – aye, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, and Alderman Jenkins - aye. MOTION CARRIED.

## **POLICE**

Chief Crask reported that the JULIE locates have been done for the fiber installation at the water tower. Monday there will be a storm siren activation walk through with everyone involved. There has been a uptick in COVID cases and some mischief in the park resulting in the park being closed except for the pavilion being reserved on an individual basis and the playground being open for small children.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY - none**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Alderman Goodbred made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin to move to the next committee of the whole meeting a recommendation to discuss/approve an amendment to the ordinance regulating solicitors, itinerant merchants, vendors, peddlers and canvassers ie: food trucks etc. On Roll Call: Mayor Hall – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Alderman Actis - aye, Alderman Austin – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Osborne - aye, and Alderman Jenkins – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Actis stated that the Earlville Lions Club has requested to reserve the park pavilion for use in providing a drive by pork chop dinner on June 26, 2021.

Mayor Hall signed a proclamation for the month of May to be Motorcycle Awareness Month.

## **CLOSED SESSION - none**

## **ADJOURN**

At 8:05 p.m., Alderman Osborne made a motion, seconded by Alderman Austin, to adjourn the meeting by remote participation. On Roll Call: Alderman Jenkins – aye, Alderman Farley – aye, Alderman Actis – aye, Alderman Goodbred – aye, Mayor Hall – aye, Alderman Osborne – aye, and Alderman Austin – aye. MOTION CARRIED.

*Martha E. Dankenbring*

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