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August 19, 2011

William F. Bates
Mayor of West Elkton, Ohio 45070

ATTN: Also enclosed previous letter from April 3, 2011

Subject: Closing of West Elkton Post Office.

Sirs,

Please keep in mind the closing of our post office will not only hurt the Village residents but people who live on the outskirts of town that have chosen to have a p.o box because of vandalism to rural mailboxes. I feel there are many ways to cut cost at our post office and as the mayor, myself, council and the Village citizens are willing to work with you.

We understand Collinsville next to us will remain open. Their post office is run out of a garage. Ours is in a more secure building and on a main Highway [#] 503 well traveled with easy access. If there is anything I can do please contact me.

Thank you.

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April 3, 2011
William E. Bates
Mayor of West Elkton, OH

Dear Sirs:

We understand that a funding cut for the U.S. Postal Service is imminent. The cuts will include the closing of many post offices in towns and villages in this area, including our village of West Elkton. This letter is to inform you of how devastating this drastic of a funding cut would be to our small village, especially to our senior citizens. Not only would it put a burden on the average citizen with the changes in mailing addresses, costs of new drivers' licenses, auto tags, and the hassles that go with changing all those documents, the senior citizens who rely on the mail to receive important medications and other necessities would be negatively impacted.

We would like to implore you as our elected officials to think about the burden already placed on our seniors by this administration, and fight on our behalf to not add to that burden. Many of the seniors of this village are below poverty level.

There will be a meeting on Monday, April 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the new fire house in West Elkton. This is located on State Rte 503. A representative from the U.S. Postal Service will be there to answer questions, but we would greatly appreciate any support you could give us in this serious matter.

Thank you,



William E. Bates
Mayor

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