

Postal Regulatory Commission

Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

NOTICE OF FILING UNDER 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)

TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:

Please take notice that on October 27, 2011, the Commission received two petitions for review of the Postal Service's determination to close the New Boston post office located in New Boston, Illinois. The first petition for review was filed by Barbara O'Hearn. The second petition for review was filed by Lu Ann Krengle. The earliest postmark date is October 17, 2011.

This notice is advisory only and is being furnished so that the Postal Service may begin assembling the administrative record in advance of any formal appeal proceedings held upon the alleged (closing/consolidation) for transmittal pursuant to 39 CFR § 3001.113(a) (requiring the filing of the record within 15 days of the filing with the Commission of a petition for review). The Postal Service's administrative record is due no later than November 14, 2011.



Shoshana M. Grove
Secretary

Date: November 2, 2011

Attachment

A2012-38

Oct 20, 2011

Docket # 1374651-61272

This is a Postal Appeal regarding our New Boston Post Office Closure.

This is a small town with a very large volume of mail going out.

My concerns are:

1. The winter weather
2. Our mail carrier, standing out in the open in all kinds of conditions — rain, sleet, hail, wind blowing mail etc.
3. Our elderly and handicapped falling in bad weather; can you be sued?
4. Will the locks freeze shut?
5. You took our social gathering away.
6. The bulletin board was our way of knowing what was going on.
7. Our Post Master was very good at answering our questions & helping us pick the best way for packages.

Thank You
Barbara O'Hearn

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I am writing concerning the New Boston Post Office.

I can't beleive that our town will be without a post office forever. I was born and raised here and I remember going to the post office after school everyday to get the mail. It was in a rickety, one room building. There were usually two ladies in attendance. When Floyd Curtis built the new building it was grand as far as we were concerned. But that was when we had three and sometimes four grocery stores, a meat market, two bars, three gas stations, a dry goods store, a barber shop, a funeral home and a few other businesses. This was a prosperous town then. Now we are probably going like other little river towns that are being forgotten. We don't have any grocery stores, but we have three bars, a gas station/convenience store, a Community Center and a big grain elevator. The Cargill Corp just built a new, much larger elevator, a six million dollar facility. We all hope with the confidence that that enterprise showed we will be adding other businesses in the future. But without a post office that might be deturance to us. Businesses need to have a place to mail out parcels and correspondence without traveling for several miles to do so.

I am a member of our city council and we are working so hard to turn our town around. But this has been a big "kick in the pants" to us. We had over 300 boxes and I was told we were meeting our obligation to the post office. If you would reconsider our little town it would be a boost to all of us. This has been a hardship for us. We want to try to get out there and run with the bigger towns but this hampers everything.

This problem that the post office is having financially is not the fault of we little towns but look to the big offices. That's where there is a problem. Solve it there not here!

Thank You for your consideration,



Lu Ann Krengle
New Boston, Il. 61272

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