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PP to mull proposal for water depot

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PAINTED POST | A prospective deal where the Village of Painted Post could make millions selling water that would be shipped into Pennsylvania for natural gas drilling will be discussed by village trustees Friday morning.

Being aired at 8:30 a.m. Friday will be a lease agreement with the Wellsboro/Corning Railroad, which wants to buy and transport water to drilling companies.

The plan involves building a water depot at the former Ingersoll-Rand foundry site that would be accessible by rail.

Mayor Roz Crozier said village and railroad officials have talked for the past couple of months and are working toward a contract.

Tom Myles, owner of the Wellsboro/Corning

If you go

What | Painted Post Village meeting

When | 8:30 a.m.

Friday

Where | Painted Post Village Hall.

Railroad, presented a plan in April to build a water depot.

The railroad has permission from the Susquehanna River Basin Commission to withdraw up to 1 million gallons of water a day from the Painted Post municipal water system.

The railroad company hopes to begin operating at the Painted Post site by August.

Larry Smith, superintendent of the village's Department of Public Works, said the village has enough water to sell to the railroad. The village could make \$2.6 million a year in sales.