At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Elmira, Chemung County, New York held Monday, July 17, 2023 at 7:00pm at 1255 West Water Street, Elmira, NY, there were present:

Supervisor Ann Gerould
Deputy Supervisor Ron Allison
Councilmember: Scott Bush
Councilmember Albert Lucarelli
Councilmember Thomas Milliken

Others present

Town Clerk- Tammy Stein
Attorney- Scott Moore
Police Chief- Bob Richards
Code Enforcement Officer- Eric Crandall
Highway Superintendent- Matt Mustico
Buildings and Grounds keeper- Sean Coggins
Recreation Coordinator- Patty Carozza

Supervisor Gerould called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm and lead attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance

Resolution #93-23

Minutes

By Mr. Allison

Seconded by Mr. Bush

Motion was made to approve the minutes of June 12, 2023 workshop, June 22, 2023 regular meeting, June 28, 2023 Budget workshop, July 6, 2023 Budget workshop, July 11, 2023 workshop, July 12, 2023 Budget workshop

Aye- Bush, Allison, Lucarelli, Gerould, Milliken

No- None

Resolution #94-23

Audit of Bills

By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Resolved that all claims in the total amount of \$142,421.09 were audited and approved for payment when in funds.

Early Audit

General Fund	482.56
General Fund	
General Fund (outside Village)	318.12
Highway Fund	0.00
Traffic Fund	113.99
Park Fund	21,652.97
	22,567.64
Regular Audit	
General Fund	3,741.30
General Fund (outside Village)	645.97

Highway Fund	103,370.50
Fire Dist. 2	405.00
Light District 1	4211.90
Light District 2	42.90
Light District 3	95.90
Light District 4	32.90
Light District 5	12.90
Traffic Fund	922.25
Park Fund	5,953.93
Trust & Agency	418.00
	119,853.45

Aye- Bush, Allison, Lucarelli, Gerould, Milliken

No- None

Resolution #95-23 Financial Report By Mr. Milliken

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Supervisor Gerould reviewed the Town's financial position as of June 30, 2023 and stated we are in a good financial position. The June 2023 bank statements and year-to-date financial reports were provided to the board. Motion was made to accept the Draft Supervisor's report for June 2023.

Aye- Bush, Allison, Lucarelli, Gerould, Milliken

No- None

Department Reports

Police Chief- Robert Richards read his report regarding the calls, arrests and other incidents for June 2023. He informed the board that June was a busy month. The department has been working with DEC regarding encampments by the river. They served as mutual aid to surrounding areas several times.

Code Enforcement Officer- Eric Crandall stated that June brought in 18 permits. He stated he was working on property maintenance violations. He went with councilmember Bush around East Hill.

Grounds Keeper- Sean Coggins stated that the sidewalk project is completed. He adjusted the lights at the pickleball courts. He discussed the sealing of the fence with councilmember Lucarelli.

Highway Superintendent- Matt Mustico stated that they posted 2 deaf child signs and that the drainage issues on Lovell Ave. were completed. They have been doing tree trimming. Recreation Coordinator- Patty Carozza stated that 1 of the camps had to be cancelled due to low attendance. She said July rentals are good.

Discussion

Attorney Moore stated that the Town Board would have to hold a public hearing in order to do a road closure for the Bhaki Marga event.

Supervisor Gerould stated that she is meeting with the group along with Police Chief, Fire Department Chief and Highway Superintendent to discuss this further.

Resolution #96-23

Set a date and time for an August workshop

By Mr. Allison

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Resolved that Monday August 7, 2023 at 7pm be set as the date and time for the August workshop.

Aye- Bush, Allison, Lucarelli, Gerould, Milliken

No- None

Resolution #97-23 Set Public Hearing By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Milliken

Motion was made to set a public hearing for August 7,2023 at 7:00 PM regarding the closure of Demarest parkway between W. First Street and W Second Street and W. First Street halfway between Highland Avenue and Demarest parkway starting August 31, 2023 through September 3, 2023.

Aye- Bush, Allison, Lucarelli, Gerould, Milliken

No- None

Public Comment

Joe Atkinson, Bradley Ct., Horseheads read a statement regarding his concern with voting irregularities. He asked the Town Board to do a resolution demanding that stricter rules be set to eliminate voting irregularities.

Gail Ewanyk, Dutch Hill Rd, Pine City spoke as part of the NY Citizen Audit group asking the Town Board to sign the resolution.

Jim Lynch, Highland Ave. read a recap regarding the property of Mr. Magesse at 1164 Winters Street.

Paul DiPietro, Glen Ave. updated the board on the tree program.

Sue Hamlin, W. Church St. stated she'd like the board to consider the resolution.

Amos Smith, Winter St. inquired about Empire Access in the Town.

Motion was made by Councilmember Allison at 7:57pm and seconded by Councilmember Lucarelli to adjourn the regular meeting. All in favor, Motion Carried

Tammy Stein, Town Clerk	