

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Elmira, Chemung County, New York held Monday August 18, 2025 at 7:00pm at 1255 West Water Street, Elmira, NY, there were present:

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

Others present

Town Clerk- Tammy Stein
Attorney- Scott Moore
Police Chief- Bob Richards
Highway Superintendent- Matt Mustico
Code Enforcement Officer- Eric Crandall
Community Center Director- Patty Carozza

Absent- Buildings and Grounds Keeper- Sean Coggins

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

Resolution #117-25

Minutes

By Mr. Allison

Seconded by Mr. Bush

Motion was made to approve the minutes of July 21, 2025 regular and August 11, 2025 workshop.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #118-25

Audit of Bills

By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Resolved that all claims in the total amount of \$155,359.62 were audited and approved for payment when in funds.

Early Audit

General Fund	7,767.48
General Fund (outside village)	1,037.28
Highway Fund	88.05
Traffic Fund	1,182.23
Park Fund	<u>1,442.78</u>
	11,517.82

<u>Regular Audit</u>	
General Fund	42,368.99
General Fund (outside Village)	2,488.18
Highway Fund	67,226.60
Light District 1	5,534.89
Light District 2	56.89
Light District 3	127.89
Light District 4	42.89
Light District 5	15.89
Traffic Fund	10,558.99
Park District	14,977.59
Trust & Agency	<u>433.00</u>
	143,841.80

Aye-Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #119-25

Financial Report

By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Milliken

Supervisor Gerould reviewed the Town's financial position as of July 31, 2025 and stated we are in a good financial position. The July 2025 bank statements and year-to-date financial reports were provided to the board. Motion was made to accept the Supervisor's report for July 2025.

Aye-Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Communications

CC Sheriffs

RE: July 2025 statistics

Department Reports

Community Center Director- Patty Carozza stated that the building is doing well with rentals. She informed the board that the camps are running well and the attendees are having a great time. She is grateful that River Friends is able to host these camps in the Town.

Police Chief- Robert Richards read his report regarding the calls, arrests, and other incidents for July 2025. Chief Richards stated that they assisted outside agencies with 13 incidents and helped in the stop DWI 100 days of summer program. Chief Richards informed the board that their new upgraded tasers arrived and they are working on getting their certification done.

Highway Superintendent- Matt Mustico updated the town board on the Fassett road project stating that it is ready for paving and curbing. He will be ordering salt at the reduced cost. The salt barn repairs should be finalized next week.

Code Enforcement Officer- Eric Crandall stated that July was a busy month. He has been conducting building permit inspections and working on planning and zoning.

Buildings and Grounds Keeper- Sean Coggins was absent

Discussion

Supervisor Gerould asked the board if they were able to review the Social Media Policy? Attorney Moore stated this will be placed in the Employee Handbook. More discussion will be held at the September workshop.

Supervisor Gerould informed the board that after their last discussion regarding retiree insurance she spoke to the insurance company and the board will need to discuss this further.

Attorney Moore spoke about a Host agreement with Carson Powers stating that the site plan was approved on West Hill Rd. He explained what a Host agreement is and the process of a PILOT. He suggested the board discuss options to negotiate with Carson Powers.

Resolution #120-25

Set date and time for September workshop

By Mr. Milliken

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Motion was made to set September 8, 2025 at 4:30pm as a workshop.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #121-25

Set date and time for a Public Hearing, proposed Local Law 1-2025, Domestic Partnership Certification

By Mr. Milliken

Seconded by Mr. Bush

Motion was made to hold a Public Hearing on Monday September 15, 2025 at 7:00pm. The purpose of this hearing is to hear public comments on the proposed Local Law 1-2025, Domestic Partnership Certification.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #122-25

Set date and time for a Public Hearing, proposed Local Law 2-2025, Camping

By Mr. Milliken

Seconded by Mr. Bush

Motion was made to hold a Public Hearing on Monday September 15, 2025 at 7:00pm. The purpose of this hearing is to hear public comments on the proposed Local Law 2-2025, Camping.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #123-25- TABLED

Amend Resolution 28-25, clarifying the health benefits provided to Town's employees, elected officials and retirees.

By Mr. Allison

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #124-25

Approve Standard Workday**By Mr. Bush****Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli**

Be it resolved that the Town of Elmira hereby establishes the following as standard workdays for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Standard Workday (Hrs/day)	Term Begin/ End	Participates in Time Keeping System (Y/N)	Days/Months
Budget Officer	Mary Joan Glanton	6	Appointed Annually	N	3.88

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Public Comments

Susan Dimon, Chatham Lane read a statement regarding her concerns with the Bhakti Marga.

Jim Leonard, Demarest Pkwy spoke about him living in a quiet neighborhood and spoke about the Bhakti Marga.

Kathy Clark, Underwood Ave. spoke about this not being the place for the Bhakti Marga.

Noreen Dieg, W. Clinton St. spoke about the attendance at the events and her concern with quality of life.

Motion was made by Councilmember Allison at 7:55pm and seconded by Councilmember Lucarelli to adjourn the regular meeting. All in favor, Motion Carried

Tammy Stein, Town Clerk