

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Elmira, Chemung County, New York held Monday December 15, 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
Highway Superintendent- Matt Mustico
Police Chief- Bob Richards
Buildings and Grounds Keeper- Sean Coggins

Absent
Code Enforcement Officer- Eric Crandall
Community Center Director- Patty Carozza

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

Resolution #156-25

Minutes

By Mr. Allison

Seconded by Mr. Bush

Motion was made to approve the minutes of November 17, 2025 regular and December 8, 2025 workshop.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #157-25

Audit of Bills

By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Resolved that all claims in the total amount of \$272,851.05 were audited and approved for payment when in funds.

<u>Early Audit</u>	
General Fund	13,635.62
General Fund (outside village)	3,347.52
Traffic Fund	12,056.81
Park Fund	<u>3,922.95</u>
	32,962.90

<u>Regular Audit</u>	
General Fund	66,323.45
General Fund (outside Village)	34,082.18
Highway Fund	122,295.44
Fire District 5	1000.00
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	8,374.63
Park District	1,591.00
Trust & Agency	<u>443.00</u>
	239,888.15

Aye-Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #158-25

Financial Report

By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Milliken

Supervisor Gerould reviewed the Town's financial position as of November 30, 2025 and stated we are in a good financial position. The November 2025 bank statements and year-to-date financial reports were provided to the board. Motion was made to accept the Supervisor's report for November 2025.

Aye-Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Communications

CC Sheriffs

RE: November 2025 statistics

City Animal Control

RE: November 2025 Report

Department Reports

Community Center Director- Patty Carozza Supervisor Gerould spoke regarding the Community Center as Patty was absent, stating that they will be doing improvements to the building in January. The Fire Department is donating ceiling tiles. Patty will be meeting with Friends of the River to start the plan for 2026 camps. Supervisor Gerould spoke about the tree lighting ceremony, saying it was well attended.

Code Enforcement Officer- Eric Crandall was absent however submitted his report

Highway Superintendent- Matt Mustico stated that they have completed leaf pickup. He spoke about an illegal dumping at the compost facility which is being investigated by the Sheriff's Office.

Police Chief- Robert Richards read his report regarding the calls, arrests, and other incidents for November 2025. Chief Richards updated the Board regarding the resignation of Officer Kyle

Storms. As well as discussed, the Civil Service list.

Buildings and Grounds Keeper- Sean Coggins stated he trimmed a tree off the Community Center roof, and has been servicing the mower. Sean worked on fall clean up and took the wind screens off the tennis court.

Discussion

Attorney Moore spoke to the Board regarding a section of land that the Town does not maintain off Guinnip/Bowman. Attorney Moore suggests the Town abandon the section which will give rights to the homeowners on either side of the road. He also suggests that the Town make sure that any abandonment does not prevent access to an existing private road.

Attorney Moore spoke about the Host agreement stating that he would like to speak to the developers and potentially make some changes. He recommended that the board table the agreement.

Attorney Moore spoke regarding the Solar project. He spoke about the decommissioning bond and how much it should be written for.

Resolution #159-25

Set date and time for January Organizational Meeting

By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Motion was made to set January 2, 2026 at 8:00am as the 2026 Organizational meeting.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #160-25

Set date and time for January Meeting

By Mr. Milliken

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Motion was made to set January 26, 2026 at 7:00pm as the January regular meeting.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #161-25

Accept Resignation, Kyle Storms

By Mr. Allison

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Motion was made to accept the Resignation of Kyle Storms, Traffic Officer effective January 3, 2026.

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Resolution #162-25

Approve agreement with Elmira City Animal Control

By Mr. Bush

Seconded by Mr. Milliken

Motion was made to approve an agreement with Elmira City Animal Control Effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 to enforce Article 7 and 26 of the Agriculture and Markets Law at a cost of \$2000.00 per month (\$24,000.00 annually).

Bush, Lucarelli, Allison, Milliken, Gerould

No- None

Resolution #163-25

Approve Host Agreement - TABLED

By Mr. Milliken

Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli

Aye- Gerould, Allison, Milliken, Bush, Lucarelli

No- None

Supervisor Gerould informed the attendees that this is Ron Allison's last board meeting with him acting as a Councilmember. On behalf of everyone she thanked him for his many years of service stating he will be missed.

Councilmember Allison spoke about loving this Town, the people in it and serving it. He started in 1982 on the Recreation Board.

Betty Bonsignore's son gifted the Town some of Betty's pictures which have been hung in the stairwell of the Town Hall entrance way.

A motion was made by Councilmember Allison at 7:44pm and seconded by Councilmember Bush to adjourn the regular meeting. All in favor, Motion Carried.

Tammy Stein, Town Clerk