

Elmira City Council

Meeting Minutes

RE: AGENDA, ELMIRA CITY

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 – 5:30 PM

COUNCIL MEETING

2023-10

Mark Franchi

Act on resolution dispensing with the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Mark A Franchi VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi, Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-11

Council as a Whole

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution announcing the personnel actions for the City of Elmira, whereby Anthony R. Alvernaz is no longer employed by the City of Elmira, effective January 9, 2023, and Kristen Thorne has been appointed to the position of Interim Police Chief, effective January 9, 2023, at an annual salary of \$123,496.

MOTION: Postpone SPONSORED BY: Council As A Whole VOTE: 0- 0
AYES: TOTAL: 0
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

Motion to table resolution # 11 was made by Councilmember Grasso

Seconded By Councilmember Franchi

Vote to table - Ayes: Councilmembers Franchi, Kitching and Grasso, Nays: Councilmembers Moss, Duffy and Mayor Mandell. Per Corporation Counsel John Ryan motion to table carried. Also resolution # 11 was Amended annual salary (revised) was \$123,496 to \$124,099.

2023-12

Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the Mayor and act on resolution recommending the appointment of Robert Guild, 1052 Walnut Street, Elmira to the Cemetery Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2025.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 6- 0

AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-13
Mayor Mandell

Receive communication from the Mayor to report the appointment of Thomas Krebs, 743 W. Clinton Street, Elmira to the City Zoning Board to fill the unexpired term of Timothy Tobin with a said term expiring on December 31, 2025.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-14
Tory Kitching

Resolution authorizing a grant application submission to Empire State Development Corporation under Round Seven of the Restore NY Communities Initiative Grant Program

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Tory Kitching VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-15
Nan Moss

Resolution scheduling a public hearing to receive written and oral comments on the City of Elmira's HOME ARP Plan.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-16
Nick Grasso

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution authorizing and directing the City Chamberlain to make payment to the City of Elmira Fire Department Benefit Fund in the amount of \$53,298.00.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nick Grasso VOTE: 6- 0

AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-17
Mayor Mandell

Act on resolution ratifying and affirming the Mayor's written request to the Elmira Water Board for the Board to provide the sum of \$50,000.00 to the City out of the Board's profits or surplus for the calendar year 2022; said monies to be used by the City for general municipal purposes.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 5- 1
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi, Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 5
NAYS: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-18
Mayor Mandell

Act on resolution approving and adopting the Operating Budget for the City of Elmira for the year 2023, a summary of which is attached hereto.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 5- 1
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi, Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 5
NAYS: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-19
Joseph Duffy

Act on resolution approving and adopting the Capital Budget for the City of Elmira for the year 2023, a summary of which is attached hereto.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi, Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-20
Nan Moss

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving a contract between the City and CSEA Employee Benefit Fund for vision benefits to eligible City employees retroactive from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026, a copy of which is attached

**hereto, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract;
said contract subject to Corporation Counsel approval.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-21
Mark Franchi

**Receive communication from the City Manager and act on
resolution approving a no-cost time extension of the
NYSDOT/City contract #D035708 for the Bridge
Rehabilitation Lake Street over Chemung River
Pedestrian Bridge Project (PIN #6755.09) to December 31,
2023, a copy of which is attached hereto, and authorizing
the Mayor to execute the extension the contract.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Mark A Franchi VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-22
Council as a Whole

**Act on resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into and
execute an agreement with the Star-Gazette, the low
successful proposer meeting all specifications, for the
publication of acts of the City Council for the year 2023,
which sealed proposals were opened by the City Manager
at the January 17, 2023 regular City Council meeting; said
agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Council As A Whole VOTE:
6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-23
Joseph Duffy

Act on Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6

NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-24
Nan Moss

**Act on Anti Displacement Learning Network Grant
Program Audit.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-25
Tory Kitching

**Act on Community Development Block Grant Program
Audit.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Tory Kitching VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-26
Mayor Mandell

Act on American Rescue Plan Lost Revenue Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-27
Nick Grasso

Act on Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nick Grasso VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,
Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2023-28
Joseph Duffy

Act on resolution to adjourn

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi,

Tory Kitching, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
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