

Elmira City Council

Meeting Minutes

RE: AGENDA, ELMIRA CITY

Monday, January 30, 2023 – 5:30 PM

COUNCIL MEETING

2023-29

Nan Moss

Act on resolution dispensing with the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-30

Mayor Mandell

Act on resolution appointing Corey Cooke, 811 Jay Street, Elmira to the position of Councilmember for the Second Council District to fill the vacancy until January 1, 2024.

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

Public hearing for the purpose of receiving written and oral comments from the public on the City of Elmira's Draft HOME ARP plan.

2023-31

Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution announcing a personnel action whereby Anthony R. Alvernaz is no longer employed by the City of Elmira, effective, January 9, 2023.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-32

Mayor Mandell

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution announcing a Personnel Action for the City of

Elmira whereby Kristen Thorne was appointed to the position of Interim Police Chief, effective January 9, 2023, at an annual salary of \$124,009.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-33
Nan Moss

Receive communication from the City Manager announcing the personnel actions for the City of Elmira whereby Daniel Sincock has elected to retire from his position as Deputy Fire Chief, effective December 31, 2022; and effective January 13, 2023 Scott Packard has been appointed to the position of Police Captain at an annual salary of \$107,108.91, Christopher Osiecki has been appointed to the position of Police Captain at an annual salary of \$105,688.85, Erica Lapierre has been appointed to the position of Police Lieutenant at an annual salary of \$98,676.75; Christopher Zelko has been appointed to the position of Police Lieutenant at an annual salary of \$97,719.15; David Miller has been appointed to the position of Police Lieutenant at an annual salary of \$98,197.83; and Yuri Charlanow has been appointed to the position of Police Lieutenant at an annual salary of \$98,676.75; and effective January 16, 2023 Matthew Harvey has been appointed to the position of Fire Captain on a temporary basis at an annual salary of \$90,592; James Ketter has been appointed to the position of Deputy Fire Chief on a provisional basis at an annual salary of \$100,091; Nathan Spencer has been appointed to the position of Fire Lieutenant on a contingent permanent basis at an annual salary of \$83,222; and effective January 20, 2023 Joseph Messmer, Tyler Stevens, Derek Begell, Jacob Cook, James, Givens Curt Gustafson, Mason Moore and Shyonna Pacheco have been appointed to the positions of Police Officer at annual salaries of \$52,135.29; and Michael Rangstrom has transferred from his position as Code Enforcement Officer to the appointed position of Lead Project Manager in the Department of Community effective January 24, 2023, at an annual salary of \$54,198.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-34
Council as a Whole

**Act on resolution extending appreciation to Daniel
Sincock for his 38 years of service to the City of Elmira
Fire Department and wish him well in his future.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Council As A Whole VOTE:
6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-35
Joseph Duffy

**Receive communication from the City Manager and act on
resolution approving the closure and abandonment of the
alley titled Brownlow Place (aka Brownlow Lane) running
from Madison Avenue to William Street and approving
the conveyance of the alley to Chemung County and
authorizing the Mayor to sign all documents necessary to
effectuate the conveyance.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-36
Nan Moss

**Receive communication from the City Manager and act on
resolution approving the submission of an application to
FY2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to
replace technical rescue equipment and for training in the
range of \$150,000 to \$175,000 with the City Contributing
ten percent of the total purchase and further if the grant
be awarded the City Chamberlain be authorized to accept
the grant monies to be used for the updating and/or
replacement of technical rescue equipment and training in
the Elmira Fire Department.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,

Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-37
Mayor Mandell

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving the retention of USIC Locating Services, LLC to perform after-hour utility emergency services at a flat after-hour fee of \$85.00 per call and authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to effect the retention of said services; said documents subject to Corporation Council approval.

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

2023-38
Nan Moss

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving the Independent Contractor Agreement between Family Services of Chemung County, Inc. Child Advocacy Center and the City through its Elmira Police Department Victim Services for a term retroactive to October 1, 2022 and expiring September 30, 2024, a copy of said agreement is attached hereto and made a part hereof and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement; said agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-39
Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution granting Empire Telephone Company permission to attach an internet service cable line to Centertown Garage and authorizing the Mayor to execute a License Agreement between the City and Empire Telephone Company, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; said agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-40
Mayor Mandell

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving the hiring of Hunt Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors, PC (Hunt) to provide engineering services as requested by the City retroactive to January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 with the charges not to exceed the sum of \$12,500.00 and authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Hunt; said agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

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2023-41
Mayor Mandell

Act on Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-42
Nan Moss

Act on Downtown Revitalization Initiative Program Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-43
Joseph Duffy

Act on Anti Displacement Learning Network Grant Program Audit.

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

AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-44
Mayor Mandell

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

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-45
Nan Moss

Act on American Rescue Plan Property Rehab Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-46
Joseph Duffy

Act on Audit.

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ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1

2023-47
Joseph Duffy

Act on resolution to adjourn.

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Mark A Franchi, Nannette M Moss TOTAL: 6
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ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: Tory Kitching TOTAL: 1