

Elmira City Council

Meeting Minutes

RE: AGENDA, ELMIRA CITY

Monday, December 30, 2024 – 5:30 PM

COUNCIL MEETING

2024-418
Gary Brinn

Act on resolution dispensing with the minutes of the regular Meeting held on Monday, December 16, 2024.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Gary Brinn VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

PUBLIC HEARING for the purpose of receiving comments from the public regarding proposed 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets.

2024-419
Mayor Mandell

Receive communication from the Mayor and act on resolution to reappoint Talima Aaron, 902 Maple Avenue, Elmira as a Commissioner of the Cemetery Commission, term to expire December 31, 2028.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-420
Corey Cooke

Receive communication from the Mayor to act on resolution for the reappointments of William McCarthy, 780 Perine Street, Elmira, and Caranell Parks, 361 Maxwell Place, Elmira to the City Zoning Board of Appeals, terms expiring December 31, 2030.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Corey Cooke VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-421

Jackie Wilson

Resolution Authorizing a Grant Application to Homes and Community Renewal for the Leading in Lead Prevention Pilot Program.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Jackie Wilson VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-422

Gary Brinn

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution retaining Foor & Associates Architects to perform a feasibility study for the Elmira Animal Shelter at a lump sum cost of \$15,900.00.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Gary Brinn VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-423

Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving and accepting the proposed donation from the Parish of the Most Holy Name of Jesus of outdoor exercise equipment and expressing its sincere appreciation to the Parish for the gift.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-424

Mayor Mandell

Act on resolution adopting Local Law #3 of 2024 regulating the unlicensed cannabis sales in the City of Elmira.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 6- 1
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-425

Act on Ordinance to amend Chapter 10, Article VII,

Gary Brinn

Section 10-274 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Elmira, New York, as amended.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Gary Brinn VOTE: 6- 1
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-426

Jackie Wilson

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving a Consulting Agreement between the City and Perry & Carroll, Inc. to provide various insurance consulting services at an annual fee of \$75,000 retroactive to August 1, 2024 and authorizing the Mayor to sign said Agreement; said Agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Jackie Wilson VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-427

Gary Brinn

Act on resolution accepting approval by the Consortium Board of Directors for the City to become a Participant in the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium (GTCMHIC) effective January 1, 2025 and authorizing the Mayor to sign the 2025 Amendment to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement of GTCMHIC, a copy of which it attached hereto; said Amendment subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Gary Brinn VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-428

Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Elmira and Elmira Professional Firefighters' Association, Local 709, Elmira, NY providing for amendments to portions of Article 35 of the Current Collective Bargaining Agreement necessitated

**by the City joining the Greater Tompkins County
Municipal Health Insurance Consortium and authorizing
the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-429
Mayor Mandell

**Receive communication from the City Manager and act on
resolution approving an agreement between the County
and City for the 2025 calendar year whereby the City shall
provide to the County services consisting of the operation
of Youth Court and a full-time Fraud Investigator for the
County Department of Social Services for a total
consideration not to exceed \$237,000.00 and authorizing
the Mayor to execute the agreement; said agreement
subject to Corporation Counsel approval.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-430
Mayor Mandell

**Receive communication from the City Manager and act on
resolution accepting the sole bid meeting all bid
specifications and award of a contract to United Uniform
Distribution LLC in the total amount of \$10,195.71 for
holster pouch equipment for the Elmira Police
Department and authorizing the Mayor to sign such
documents necessary to effect this award, a copy of the bid
summary is attached hereto.**

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-431
Jackie Wilson

**Receive communication from the City Manager and act on
resolution accepting the bid of John F & John P Wenzel**

Contractors, Inc. for the demolition of the Brand Park pool at a cost to the City of \$93,640.00; said bid being entered through the County's General Construction Contract for 2024-2025 and thereby eliminating the need for separate request for bids and authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to effect the demolition of the pool.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Jackie Wilson VOTE: 6- 1
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-432
Jackie Wilson

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of new playground equipment and a splash pad to be installed at Brand Park from Landscape Structures, Inc. using Chemung County's Sourcewell Cooperative Contract and City's Sourcewell Membership Account for a total cost of \$895,029.26 and authorizing the Mayor to sign contracts for the purchase of the items; said contracts subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Jackie Wilson VOTE: 6- 1
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-433
Gary Brinn

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolutions reporting the overtime for the Elmira Fire Department for pay periods 23 and 24 of 2024 in the amount of \$24,964.24.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Gary Brinn VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-434
Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution reporting the overtime for the Elmira Fire Department for pay periods 25 and 26 of 2024 in the

amount of \$7,622.54.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-435
Corey Cooke

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

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Corey Cooke VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M
Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-436
Mayor Mandell

Act on Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Daniel Mandell VOTE: 6- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Joseph H Duffy, Nannette M
Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 6
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: Nick Grasso TOTAL: 1
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-437
Jackie Wilson

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

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Jackie Wilson VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-438
Joseph Duffy

Act on Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Joseph H Duffy VOTE: 7- 0
AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7
NAYS: TOTAL: 0
ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0
ABSENT: TOTAL: 0

2024-439

Corey Cooke

Act on resolution to adjourn.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Corey Cooke VOTE: 7- 0

AYES: Daniel Mandell, Corey Cooke, Nick Grasso, Joseph H Duffy,
Nannette M Moss, Gary Brinn, Jackie Wilson TOTAL: 7

NAYS: TOTAL: 0

ABSTAIN: TOTAL: 0

ABSENT: TOTAL: 0