

Elmira City Council

Meeting Minutes

RE: AGENDA, ELMIRA CITY

Monday, January 27, 2025 – 5:30 PM

COUNCIL MEETING

2025-17

Corey Cooke

Act on resolution dispensing with the minutes of the regular Meeting held on Monday, January 13, 2025.

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

2025-18

Jackie Wilson

Receive communication from the Mayor and act on resolution amending prior Resolution No. 2024-419 on the reappointment of Talima Aaron as a Commissioner of the Cemetery Commission, to correctly state the term to expire December 31, 2027.

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

2025-19

Gary Brinn

Receive communication from the Mayor and act on resolution amending prior Resolution No. 2024-420 on the reappointments of William McCarthy and Caranell Parks to the City Zoning Board of Appeals, to correctly state the terms to expire December 31, 2029.

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

2025-20

Mayor Mandell

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution reporting the Personnel Actions or the City of

Elmira, whereby Scott R. Packard, has elected to retire from his position as Deputy Chief, effective January 8, 2025; Christopher P. Osiecki, has been appointed to the position of Deputy Chief, effective January 8, 2025 at an annual salary of \$139,406.00; Matthew G. McGrain, has been appointed to the position of Police Lieutenant, effective January 8, 2025 at an annual salary of \$118,240.17; James T. Wellington, has been appointed to the position of Police Sergeant, effective January 13, 2025 at an annual salary of \$109,167.74; and Daijeon S. Gardner, Pine City, NY has been appointed to the position of Police Officer, effective January 17, 2025 at annual salary of \$63,083.70.

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

2025-21
Council as a Whole

Act on resolution extending appreciation to Scott R. Packard for his services rendered to the City of Elmira Police Department for the past 21 years, and wish him well in his future.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Council As A Whole 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

2025-22
Joseph Duffy

Act on resolution directing the Mayor to submit a request to the Elmira Water Board (EWB) to provide to the City the sum of \$50,000.00 out of 2024 profits or surplus resulting from EWB's operation of the water works system; said monies to be used by the City for general municipal purposes for the calendar year 2025.

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

2025-23
Mayor Mandell

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 for the year 2024 in the amount of \$63,923.00.

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

2025-24
Corey Cooke

Act on resolution rejecting all bids for RFB-322 Elevator Modernization Centertown Parking Garage Project and authorizing submission of requests for new bids later in this year.

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

2025-25
Nan Moss

Act on Ordinance to Amend Chapter 25, Article VII, Division 4, Section 25-155 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Elmira, as Amended.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss 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

2025-26
Mayor Mandell

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution appointing Christopher Osiecki as Deputy Police Chief of the Elmira Police Department pursuant to the terms of the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and approving said MOU.

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

2025-27

Joseph Duffy

Act on resolution approving a Shared Services Information Technology (IT) Agreement with the County, a copy of which is attached hereto, to continue to provide IT services to the City for the term retroactive to January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027 and authorizing the Mayor to execute the shared services agreement; said agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

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

2025-28

Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution accepting the bid of Hale Contracting, Inc. in the total amount of \$90,513.00, the lowest bidder meeting all bid specifications as outlined on the attached bid summary, for the roof replacement on the Woodlawn Cemetery Office and authorizing the Mayor to sign documents necessary to effect this award.

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

2025-29

Jackie Wilson

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving the hiring of Fagan Engineers & Land Surveyors, PC (Fagan) to provide professional engineering as requested by the City for the calendar year 2025 for a sum not to exceed \$12,500.00 and authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Fagan; said agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

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

2025-30
Nan Moss

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving the hiring of Hunt Engineer, Architects & Land Surveyors, P.C. (Hunt) to provide professional engineering services as requested by the City for the calendar year 2025 for a sum not to exceed \$12,500.00 and authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Hunt; said agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

Amended - Agreement with Hunt, not Fagan

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss 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

2025-31
Gary Brinn

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution approving the Budgetary Proposal submitted by Granicus software subscription for computer program "PEAK" utilized in the creation and tracking of Council agendas for the performance period of February 3, 2025 through February 2, 2026 in the amount of \$7,714.02, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporating the terms and conditions set forth in the February 3, 2021 Agreement.

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

2025-32
Joseph Duffy

Receive communication from the City Manager and act on resolution authorizing a material modification of the City's Health Reimbursement Account and amendment to the account reflecting new coverages and authorizing the Mayor to execute the modification and amendment, a copy of which is attached hereto.

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

2025-33
Mayor Mandell

Act on resolution approving a new Sales Tax Agreement between the City and Chemung County commencing retroactive to January 1, 2025 and expiring December 31, 2026, which Agreement is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreement; said Agreement subject to Corporation Counsel approval.

Amended - Removed "and Towns".

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

2025-34
Jackie Wilson

Act on Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program Audit.

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

2025-35
Corey Cooke

Act on Community Development Block Grant Program Audit.

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

2025-36
Nan Moss

Act on Audit.

MOTION: Approve SPONSORED BY: Nannette M Moss 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

2025-37
Gary Brinn

Act on resolution to adjourn.

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