

**ELGIN TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ELGIN, SC.
Mayor Melissa Emmons
Councilman Brad Hanley
Councilwoman Dana Sloan
Councilwoman Cristy Bradley
Councilman Paul Rizzo**



**ELGIN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES FOR MAY 6, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Elgin Town Council was held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 6:00 pm, with Mayor Melissa Emmons presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present were Councilwoman Cristy Bradley, Councilman Brad Hanley, Councilwoman Dana Sloan, Councilman Paul Rizzo, Mayor Melissa Emmons, Chief Alan Anders, Lt. Chris DeLong, Jamie Parker, Elgin Town Clerk, and John Wells, Town Attorney

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Mayor Melissa Emmons.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Brad Hanley led those attending the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 1, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, was made by Councilman Paul Rizzo, 2nd by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley, with a unanimous vote from Council.

PRESENTATION

-Special Recognition to the winners of Stover's Got Talent Event on March 13, 2025:
1st Place-Addilyn Measel, 2nd Place-Emery Greene, 3rd Place-Alora Williams-Moss

-Proclamation for Myositis Awareness Month-presented to Kershaw County resident, Chip Galloway

-Special Recognition to the Kershaw County 2025 Teacher of the Year-Randi Ray, 1st grade teacher at Blaney Elementary School

-Special Recognition to the Town of Elgin's former Town Clerk-Becky Summey

PUBLIC FORUM

Becky Robinson
Stewart Kidd
Brandy Bradley
Chet Ferguson
Theresa Brown
Bryce Estridge
Randy Smith
John Thrash

-All individuals spoke regarding a rezoning request for 1007 Emanuel Street, Elgin.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley, 2nd by Councilman Brad Hanley, with a unanimous vote from Council.

NEW BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS – APRIL 2025

Sovereign Pest Control
Eubanks Home Improvement LLC
Brotherton Electric
Crosby Roofing

Pristine Cleaners Cleaning Service LLC
HB Holdings LLC
The Edge of Broad Street (aka Swanky Southern)

CHARITY EVENT REQUEST APPLICATIONS - APRIL 2025

COMPLAINTS- APRIL 2025

PUBLIC HEARING-REVISED ZONING ORDINANCES

A motion to open the public hearing at 7:07 pm was made by Councilwoman Dana Sloan and 2nd by Councilman Paul Rizzo with a unanimous vote from Council. No one signed up to speak during the public hearing. A motion to close the public hearing was made at 7:07 pm by Councilman Brad Hanley and 2nd by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley.

OLD BUSINESS

In Old Business, Councilman Brad Hanley provided an update on the Elgin Community Center Construction Project that included the following information:

- Waiting on the punch list reports from the civil engineers.
- Kitchen appliances are in and being installed.
- AV, cameras, and alarm systems have been installed.
- Fence to be installed around retention pond (6ft), black vinyl chain-link.
- The retention pond is functioning as designed.

2nd Reading-Revised Zoning Ordinance-motion to approve the 2nd reading was made by Councilman Paul Rizzo and 2nd by Councilman Brad Hanley with a unanimous vote from Council.

2nd Reading-Forms/Fee Schedule for Community Center-Mayor Melissa Emmons recommended that there be no discussion about this item and that an additional workshop be scheduled at a later date to review information.

NEW BUSINESS

In New Business, Chief Anders informed Council that the Grant for the SROs is still being reviewed. He also stated that the SROs are doing a good job at the schools and have filed an estimated 50 incident reports since August 2025. Investigator Aaron Threatt is their supervisor.

1st Reading Town of Elgin Election Ordinance-a motion to approve the 1st Reading of the Town of Elgin Election Ordinance was made by Councilman Brad Hanley and 2nd by Councilwoman Dana Sloan with a unanimous vote from the Council.

Zoning Board of Appeals Candidate Recommendation – Becky Robinson-a motion was made to appoint Becky Robinson by Councilwoman Dana Sloan and 2nd by Councilman Brad Hanley with a unanimous vote from the Council.

1st Reading-Rezoning Request for 1007 Emanuel Street (from OC to GC-1)-Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman, Chip Napper, provided the recommendation from the commission to deny the request. A motion was made to approve the 1st Reading of the rezoning request by Councilman Paul Rizzo and 2nd by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley. In Favor 3: Councilman Paul Rizzo, Mayor Melissa Emmons, and Councilwoman Cristy Bradley. Opposed 2: Councilwoman Dana Sloan and Councilman Brad Hanley. The motion carried, and a public hearing and 2nd Reading will be scheduled for Tuesday, June 3, 2025.

Garbage Collection Service Bids Process-bids will be accepted until Friday, June 6, 2025. A Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 6:00 pm to open the bids.

1st reading 2025-2026 Town of Elgin Budget-a motion to approve the 1st reading was made by Councilman Brad Handley and 2nd by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley with a unanimous vote from the Council. A budget workshop has been scheduled for Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Blanketing Families Lease Agreement Renewal-a motion to renew the lease for another 3 years was made by Councilwoman Dana Sloan and 2nd by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley with a unanimous vote from the Council. This is for the parcel where the community garden is located on Sessions Road in Elgin.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

COUNCIL BRIEFING

Councilman Paul Rizzo-encouraged people to get out and vote in our upcoming election in November. He stated that there are roughly 1200 registered voters in the town, and an estimated 200-300 generally vote.

Councilwoman Cristy Bradley had no report.

Councilwoman Dana Sloan had no report.

Councilman Brad Hanley had no report.

Mayor Melissa Emmons informed the community of the upcoming bridge repairs for the bridge that crosses the CSX Railroad is scheduled for the week of June 2, 2025, through June 6, 2025. Traffic will be detoured due to the bridge being closed during this time. She also reminded everyone that the relaunch of the new Town of Elgin Website is scheduled to take place possibly by the end of this week.

Attorney John Wells informed Council that with the findings presented tonight by the Planning and Zoning Commission, to comply with the 30-day window, Council must hold a meeting no later than June 5, 2025, to call for a vote on the 2nd Reading. An ad must be published no later than May 19, 2025, to advertise the public hearing that is now scheduled for Tuesday, June 3, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Brad Hanley at 7:55 pm, 2nd by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, with a unanimous vote from Council. Our next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by Jamie Parker/Mayor Melissa Emmons.