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 JANUARY 7, 2025

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The monthly meeting of the Elgin Town Council was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 6:00 pm, with Mayor Melissa Emmons presiding.

#### ROLL CALL

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

### **INVOCATION**

Mayor Melissa Emmons gave the invocation.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

# APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 3, 2024, MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, was made by Councilman Brad Hanley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Rizzo, with a unanimous vote from Council.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley and  $2^{nd}$  by Councilman Brad Hanley with a unanimous vote from Council to enter into an executive session to discuss an employee matter at 6:03 pm. A motion to end the Executive Session was made by Councilwoman Dana Sloan and  $2^{nd}$  by Councilwoman Cristy Bradley at 6:34 pm. Mayor Melissa Emmons shared that information was shared with Council from Chief Alan Anders and there was no need for a vote.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Clifton Emmons spoke during Public Forum and proposed to Council to name the community center "Blaney Community Center" in honor of the community's history.

# **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

A motion to amend the agenda to move an Executive Session to follow immediately after the approval of the December 3, 2024, Meeting Minutes was made by Councilman Brad Hanley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, with a unanimous vote from Council.

# NEW BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS-JANUARY2025

#### **CHARITY EVENT REQUEST APPLICATIONS FOR JANUARY 2025**

## **COMPLAINTS-JANUARY 2024**

# **PUBLIC HEARING**

# **OLD BUSINESS**

In Old Business, Councilman Brad Hanley provided an update on the Elgin Community Center Construction Project that included the following information: 1) The HVAC system is 25% complete. 2) Framing and sheathing is 90% complete. The plumbing is 50% complete. In the next two weeks, they are expected to finish the roof and rough in inspections. 3) The frame looks like it has been weathered so Councilman Hanley will be reaching out about that. 4) Councilman Hanley will also get Johnny Watson, our subcontractor for Audio/Visual in contact with Asset Technology, our IT provider.

Also in Old Business, a motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Rizzo to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading for Ordinance 247-Title VII: General Offenses, Chapter 72: Offenses Against Society, Section 72.10 Loitering.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

In New Business, Chief Anders reported that EPD was able to service 25 families: 63 kids for EPD Toy Round-Up. IGA honored our vouchers for Christmas meals, and the families were able to choose what they wanted for Christmas dinner. EPD also provided 25 fruit baskets to some of our local senior citizens. Additionally, Chief Anders shared that Sgt. Threatt and Lt. Delong are applying for 2 grants to help pay for the SRO program and their equipment needs. EPD is also bringing on Reserve Officer and Chaplin, Jeremy Bradshaw. He joins EPD tomorrow as a Chaplin and is training to become a reserve officer.

Also in New Business, a motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Dana Sloan to authorize Mayor Melissa Emmons to sign the Audit Engagement Letter for 2024 with Cantey, Tiller, Pierce & Green.

# **COUNCIL BRIEFING**

Councilman Paul Rizzo had no report.

Councilwoman Cristy Bradley had no report.

Councilwoman Dana Sloan thanked everyone who participated in helping in December with the tree lighting ceremony and the Catfish Stomp Parade.

Councilman Brad Hanley had no report.

Mayor Melissa reported that the financial transition is going well with BCS and former Clerk, Becky Summey is assisting. Attorney John Wells informed Council that we will need to repeal the ordinance for the food vendors once we have the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the proposed zoning ordinance revisions.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Brad Hanley at 7:06 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Rizzo, with a unanimous vote from Council. Our next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, February 4, at 6:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by Jamie Parker/Mayor Melissa Emmons.