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 APRIL 1, 2025

CALL TO ORDER
The monthly meeting of the Elgin Town Council was held on Tuesday, April 1, 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.

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA
A motion to amend the agenda to move the Proclamation of TWO LIGHTS for TOMORROW from New Business to Presentation was made by Councilman Brad Hanley, 2nd by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, with a unanimous vote from Council.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 4, 2025, MEETING MINUTES
Councilwoman Dana Sloan recused herself due to her absence at the previous meeting. A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, was made by Councilman Paul Rizzo, 2nd by Councilman Brad Hanley, with a unanimous vote from Council.

PRESENTATION
-The Elgin VFW Post 11079 presented Elgin Police Department Patrolman Bradley Branham, the 2025 Officer of the Year Award.
-Tom Sliker and Bob Giangiorgi, KC Trails, presented Council information recently completed for the 2025 Trail Projects for a Health Community for Kershaw County. Item 24 is the Elgin Community Center at Potter Community Park.
-Proclamation for "Two Lights for Tomorrow" presented to Joanna Craig, representative for the SC250 American Revolution Kershaw County Committee.

PUBLIC FORUM
Pete James stated that he had been a resident of the town for 68 years and encouraged the Council to entice people to shop locally. He expressed to the Council that he felt the community needed more businesses and that the town needed to grow.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
A motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by Councilman Brad Hanley, 2nd by Councilman Paul Rizzo, with a unanimous vote from Council.

NEW BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS - MARCH 2025
1) Southern Mama's Kitchen

CHARITY EVENT REQUEST APPLICATIONS - MARCH 2025

COMPLAINTS- MARCH 2025

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 parking lot is finished 2) The beams are stained 3) The cabinet design and height have been determined 4) The burglary system, speakers, and TV have been installed 5) The painting is complete 6) The floors with be completed on Wednesday.

We are also connecting to the county the sewer line, and pipes will be switched from 6-in to 8-in to comply. Councilman Brad Hanley made the motion to provide the contractor $15,000 to help with the cost, and was 2nd by Councilwoman Dana Sloan with a unanimous vote.

Also in Old Business, a motion to approve the 2nd Reading of the Parking Ticket Fines Fee Schedule was made by Councilman Paul Rizzo, 2nd by Cristy Bradley, with a unanimous vote from Council.

NEW BUSINESS

In New Business,

- Chief Alan Anders informed Council that the Elgin Police Department has been working on (3) grants totaling an estimated $400,000: 1) SRO grant, which would provide vehicles, equipment, salaries, insurance, etc., for our 2 SROs. 2) Body Armor 3) New Radios.
- The Planning and Zoning Chairman, Chip Napper, came before the council and recommended the adoption of the new zoning ordinance. A motion to approve the new zoning ordinance was made by Councilman Paul Rizzo, 2nd by Brad Hanley, with a unanimous vote from the Council.
- A motion to approve the facility rental Form/Fee Schedule 1st Reading was made by Brad Hanley and 2nd by Dana Sloan with a unanimous vote from the Council. A workshop has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at 6:00 pm.
- A motion to approve the PEBA Addendum for the Council to be excluded from the healthcare option was made by Councilman Brad Hanley, 2nd by Councilman Paul Rizzo, with a unanimous vote from the Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

COUNCIL BRIEFING

Councilman Paul Rizzo thanked EPD for everything they do to keep the kids safe.
Councilwoman Cristy Bradley requested that people in Pine Forest be careful when approaching people about parking in the neighborhood, picking up kids.
Councilwoman Dana Sloan had no report.
Councilman Brad Hanley had no report.
Mayor Melissa announced that Cornbread Café is the winner of the Elgin "Business of the Quarter" Award. She also reminded everyone to nominate their favorite local businesses. She informed Council that she was able to submit the grant proposal for the $20,000 from SCPRTA and expressed appreciation to Ben Connell, Jeffrey Graham, and Jermaine Johnson for their help.
Attorney John Wells had no report

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Brad Hanley at 7:29 pm, 2nd by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, with a unanimous vote from Council. Our next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by Jamie Parker/Mayor Melissa Emmons.