

ELGIN TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ELGIN, SC.
Mayor Melissa Emmons
Councilman Brad Hanley
Councilwoman Dana Sloan
Councilman Ed Smith
Councilman Paul Rizzo



ELGIN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Elgin Town Council was held Tuesday February 2, 2021 at 6:00pm with Mayor Melissa Emmons presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present were Councilman Edward Smith, Councilman Brad Hanley, Councilwoman Dana Sloan, Councilman Paul Rizzo, Chief Anders, Clerk Ansley Champe, Town Attorney John Wells and Mayor Melissa Emmons.

INVOCATION

Mayor Melissa Emmons gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Brad Hanley led Town Council and all others attending the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF JANUARY 5, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Ed Smith to accept the minutes with a 2nd motion by Councilman Brad Hanley, without further discussion and a unanimous vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley to adopt the agenda with a 2nd motion by Councilman Paul Rizzo without further discussion and a unanimous vote.

COMPLAINTS

PUBLIC HEARING

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Annette Hammond, Blanketing Families, Inc., gave a presentation for a community garden to be located at 1245 Sessions Road. This property is owned by the Town of Elgin and was the previous location for the tennis courts that have since been removed due to condition/lack of use. Council will discuss the proposal further at the March 2, 2021 Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley to appoint Becky Robinson for a new (4) year term on the Planning and Zoning Commission with a 2nd motion by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, without further discussion and a unanimous vote.

Mayor Emmons reminded Council that with the recent resignation of Randy Pruitt, the position of Zoning Administrator is currently being filled by Steve Huntley on an Interim basis and they would need to decide moving forward how they would wish to proceed. After some discussion, Council decided to discuss this matter further at the next meeting. They asked for clarification if this position is an employee of the Town.

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley to reinstate Judge David Reuwer to a (4) year term as a Municipal Judge for the Town of Elgin with a 2nd motion by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, without further discussion and a unanimous vote. The Oath of Office was given by Mayor Emmons.

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley to reinstate Judge Michelle James to a (4) year term as a Municipal Judge for the Town of Elgin with a 2nd motion by Councilman Ed Smith without further discussion and a unanimous vote. The Oath of Office was given by Mayor Emmons.

Chief Anders informed Council that Officer Rick Miller had been named the VFW Officer of the Year for 2020 and Lt. Ed Hines had been named the Elgin Police Department Officer of the Year for 2020. Both officers work with our department on a volunteer basis and have been an extremely valuable asset to our community.

COUNCIL BRIEFING

Councilman Ed Smith- had no report.

Councilman Brad Hanley- commended the police department on the recent arrests made in reference to the car break-ins that occurred during the weekend of January 20, 2021.

Councilman Paul Rizzo- commended the police department on the recent arrests made in reference to the car break-ins that occurred during the weekend of January 20, 2021.

Councilwomen Dana Sloan- informed Council that she and Councilman Hanley had met with the local girl scout troop regarding the community library to be located at Potter Park and the location of the box was determined.

Mayor Emmons- reminded Council of the upcoming changes that will be taking place regarding the Business License Standardization Process that must be completed by December 31, 2021 and provided Council with a list of bills that were recently sponsored/co-sponsored by Senator Penry Gustafson.

Town Attorney John Wells- had no report.

Executive Session

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 6:41 pm by Councilman Brad Hanley with a 2nd motion by Councilman Paul Rizzo without further discussion and a unanimous vote.

Approved: _____ Minutes submitted by Ansley Champe