

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 MAY 4, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Elgin Town Council was held Tuesday May 4, 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 Alan 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 APRIL 6, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley to accept the minutes with a 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Councilman Paul Rizzo without further discussion and a unanimous vote from Council, with the exception of Councilman Rizzo, who abstained due to his absence during the meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Kershaw County Chairman, Julian Burns, provided Council with updates for the following items: (1) currently two projects before Kershaw County Council regarding industry/economic development that look very promising and more information will be available in a few weeks, (2) there is a Ribbon Cutting scheduled for Friday, May 14, 2021 at 2:00 for the new Elgin Community Park, (3) the County is still addressing the need for Fire District Funding and are working with members of the Legislative Delegation regarding a possible bill that would assist with this issue and (4) the most recent COVID Update showed a higher number of cases in April 2021 in comparison to April 2020 and there are currently 38% of the county's population that is completely vaccinated.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley to adopt the agenda with a 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Councilman Ed Smith without further discussion and a unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS-APRIL 2021

CHARITY PERMIT REQUESTS-APRIL 2021

COMPLAINTS-APRIL 2021

PUBLIC HEARING

### OLD BUSINESS

Business License Ordinance 43-Amdendment-a motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley with a 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, without further discussion and a unanimous vote.

### NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley with a 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Councilman Ed Smith, without further discussion and a unanimous vote from Council to accept the First Reading of Ordinance 241-2021/2022 Fiscal Budget and scheduled a workshop to review the data on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

Mayor Emmons informed Council of the recent resignation of Elgin Municipal Judge Michelle James due to her moving to a location near Lake Murray and the commute would be somewhat difficult with her schedule. The Town of Elgin will be accepting applications for the position through Friday, June 18, 2021.

Chief Anders Updates-Chief Anders provided Council with an update of his department's recent participation in the Special Olympics activities at Blaney Elementary School and showed the shield that had been created by the students and presented to the department in appreciation of their involvement. The Elgin Police Department collected (10) bags of medication weighing (300) lbs. during the "Drug Take Back" event. Chief Anders also informed Council that Innovative Arms, a local business, has agreed to trade some old equipment for suppressors valued at an estimated \$5,000.00.

### COUNCIL BRIEFING

Councilman Ed Smith- discussed the need for a sign ordinance in town to address the numerous yard signs that are being placed throughout the community.

Councilman Brad Hanley- had no report.

Councilwoman Dana Sloan- reminded everyone of the upcoming Planning and Zoning Meeting that is scheduled for Tuesday, May 11, 2021.

Councilman Paul Rizzo- had no report.

Mayor Emmons- reminded Council of the following upcoming events: (1) Kershaw County Chamber of Commerce State of the County Meeting-Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 8:00 am and pre-registration is required, (2) Elgin Community Park Ribbon Cutting-Friday, May 14, 2021 at 2:00 and (3) Kershaw County Clean Community Commission Spring Clean-Up-Saturday, May 15, 2021 from 10:00-12:00.

Town Attorney John Wells- recommended that Council contact its legislative representatives to discuss any redistricting of precincts needed and to do so no later than August 2021 as the Census Data will be released during that time and this will be a topic of discussion.

### Executive Session

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley with a 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Councilwoman Dana Sloan, without further discussion and a unanimous vote to go into executive session to discuss a contractual matter/legal.

A motion was made by Councilman Brad Hanley with a 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Councilman Paul Rizzo, without further discussion and a unanimous vote from Council to come out of executive session and Mayor Emmons informed those in attendance that no further action was required.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Minutes submitted by Ansley Champe