

BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
WORK MEETING
June 5, 2025
7:00PM

The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Mayor and Council for June 5, 2025 was called to order by Borough Clerk Shanee Morris at 7:01PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

Councilmembers Fasolo, Saimson, Sheridan, Troisi and Council President Pellegrine were present. Also present were Mayor Colletti, Borough Clerk Shanee Morris, Borough Administrator Michael Foligno and Borough Attorney Kyle Trent.

Whereas, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey requires at the commencement of every meeting a Statement of Compliance be read by the presiding officer.

Now, Therefore Be Advised, that the meeting requirements for this meeting have been met by publishing a special meeting notice in The Record and Herald News and by posting such notice in the office of the Borough Clerk as well as in a public place within the Municipal Building, and by notifying interested citizens. Said notice was posted and transmitted on January 3, 2025 and published on January 8, 2025.

Work Meeting Agenda Items:

PUBLIC HEARING:

Doug Koban spoke about the defibrillators on different Borough fields. He then asked about having “LifeVac” which is equipment used to assist with choking.

1A – PRESENTATION – NANCY MINICH

Nancy came before the Mayor and Council to discuss ways to lower the amount of geese at the Marina. She presented different plants that would deter the geese from gathering at that location.

1 – ENGINEERS REPORT

- a. **Monthly Status Report** – Matther Basile from Alaimo Engineer went through the monthly report. The Mayor and Council discussed the location of the summer concerts due to construction. They then discussed whether or not to have turf apart of the Borough Field Phase II project. The Mayor and Council also discussed the Memorial plaque and the status.
- b. **Final Payment and Change Order – 2023 Borough Road Program** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- c. **Final Payment and Change Order – Orchard Street** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

2 – PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

- a. **Vacation Buyback (3)** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- b. **Resolution to redeem third Party tax lien** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- c. **Updated Fire Department 1st Quarter Stipend** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- d. **Junior Member to Full Firefighter** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

- e. **Firefighter Resignation** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
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- g. **EMT new hire** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- h. **Zoning Board Replacement** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- i. **Retirement Compensation** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- j. **Defense Logistics Resolution** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

3 – PROPOSED ORDINANCES

- a. **Residential Parking Permit Area** – An ordinance will be introduced at the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- b. **No Parking Zone on Miller Avenue** – An ordinance will be introduced at the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- c. **Shade Tree Ordinance** – An ordinance will be introduced at the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

4 – DISCUSSION/CORRESPONDENCE

- a. **Doc Schupp – Veteran’s Banners (NO BACK-UP)** – The Mayor and Council discussed adding veteran banners to utility poles. They went over the proposed process as well as location. Councilwoman Sheridan then asked if the Borough can sponsor five families. No further discussion ensued.
- b. **Township of Saddle Brook Ordinance Notification (2)** – No Discussion Ensued.
- c. **City of Clifton Housing Plan Public Hearing** – No Discussion Ensued.
- d. **Licensed Site Remediation Professional – Groundwater Sampling Proposal** – A resolution will be added to the June 12, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

5 – DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- a. **Library Board Meeting Minutes – April 21, 2025** – Accepted without discussion.
- b. **Board of Health Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2025** – Accepted without discussion.
- c. **Tax Quarterly Report** – Accepted without discussion.
- d. **Recreation Advisory Board Minutes – April 14, 2025** – Accepted without discussion.
- e. **Municipal Court Monthly Report – April, 2025** – Accepted without discussion.
- f. **Building Department Monthly – May, 2025** – Accepted without discussion.
- g. **Department of Public Works Monthly Report – April & May, 2025** – Accepted without discussion.
- h. **Millennium Strategies Monthly Report – May, 2025** – Accepted without discussion.

6 – COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Fasolo presented a letter he received from a resident about rats being seen on Linwood Avenue. He then asked about a letter received from a coming called Atlas.

Councilman Saimson announced there will be no planning board meeting. He then states Memorial Day was a great success. Lastly, he announced upcoming dates for AARP and the Elks.

Councilwoman Sheridan stated the Elks had their youth awards. She then thanked everyone for their assistance with the Memorial Day Parade.

Councilwoman Troisi announced she did not receive the grant for the community garden. For her Board of Education report, she announced the next meeting date and the upcoming graduation and award ceremony. Lastly, she announced Flag Day and asked who will be in attendance.

Council President Pellegrine gave her Police update and announced upcoming events. For her Board of Health update and her Chamber of Commerce update she announced the next meeting dates. Lastly, for her Resident Assistance Program update she stated she attended the annual summit and it went well. She then added the Veterans car wash had a great turnout.

Mayor Colletti had no report.

7 – 2nd PUBLIC HEARING:

A motion was made by Council President Pellegrine and seconded by Councilman Saimson to open to the public. Motion carried unanimously.

John, Elmwood Park – mentioned manholes being monitored.

8 – EXECUTIVE:

A motion was made by Council President Pellegrine and seconded by Councilman Fasolo to enter into executive. Motion carried unanimously.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

Finance Department Personnel

DPW Negotiations

Police Personnel

Attorney Client – Recreation

Attorney Client – Borough Hall Celebration

Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the public be excluded from this meeting

A motion was made by Council President Pellegrine and seconded by Councilman Saimson to adjourn. Motion carried by the members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanee Morris, RMC, CMR
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at the August 21, 2025 Regular Meeting