

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK**  
**WORK MEETING**  
**October 14, 2021**  
**7:00PM**

The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Mayor and Council for October 14, 2021 was called to order by Municipal Clerk Erin Delaney at 7:07PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

Councilmembers Balistrieri, Fakhoury, Fasolo, Golabek\*,Pellegrine, and Council President Wechtler were present. Also present were Mayor Colletti, Municipal Clerk Erin Delaney, Borough Administrator Michael Foligno and Borough Attorney Salvatore A. Ingrassia.

*\*Councilman Golabek arrived at 7:35PM.*

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 an annual notice in The Record and Herald News of Woodland Park 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. Notice was posted on January 8, 2021 and published on January 13, 2021.

**Work Meeting Agenda Items:**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

No one wished to be heard.

**1 – BEST PRACTICES SURVEY – CFO ROY RIGGITANO**

CFO Roy Riggitano reviewed the annual Best Practices Inventory with the Governing Body. He detailed the responses that required a “no” response.

**2 – ENGINEERS REPORT**

- a. **Proposal for Design Services – Band Shelter** – A resolution will be placed on the October 21st, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council agenda.
- b. **Monthly Status Report** – Thomas Lemanowicz from Alaimo Group reviewed his monthly status report. Discussion ensued regarding paving near Route 46 and change orders.

**3 – RESOLUTIONS**

- a. **ASP Hire – Recreation Department** – A resolution will be placed on the October 21st, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council agenda.
- b. **Used Car Dealer Application** – A resolution will be placed on the October 21st, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council agenda.
- c. **Recreation Center Emergency Work** – A resolution will be placed on the October 21st, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council agenda.

- d. **DMR Architects – Redevelopment Plan Proposals** – A resolution will be placed on the October 21st, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council agenda.
- e. **Summer Camp Refunds – Recreation Department** – A resolution will be placed on the October 21st, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council agenda.

#### **4 – DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

- a. **Building Department Monthly Report – September 2021**
- b. **Millennium Strategies Monthly Report – Through September 2021**
- c. **Municipal Court Report – August & September 2021**
- d. **Library Board Meeting Minutes – July 19, 2021**
- e. **Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – June 21, 2021**
- f. **Finance Department Monthly Report – Through September 2021**

#### **5 – COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Balistriero announced information about recreation open gym and the Recreation Advisory Board meeting. She stated that there is still buzz around town in relation to the success of the Board of Health’s Senior Day.

Councilman Fakhoury reported Progress.

Councilman Fasolo reported Progress.

Councilman Golabek apologized for his tardiness. He commended the Board of Health on their Senior Day and shared details regarding Early Voting in New Jersey, including the nearest location to Elmwood Park in Garfield.

Councilwoman Pellegrine reported Progress.

Council President Wechtler stated that Fire Official Steven Kochik will be speaking at the October 27<sup>th</sup> Homeowners Association meeting. She also announced the date for the next bus ride fundraiser.

Mayor Colletti reported Progress.

#### **6 – 2nd PUBLIC HEARING:**

No one wished to be heard.

#### **7 – EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a. **Legal Reports/Litigation**
- b. **Personnel – Ambulatory Services**
- c. **Personnel – Court Department**

A motion was made by Council President Wechtler and seconded by Councilwoman Pellegrine to enter into Executive Session. Motion carried by the members present.

**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:

**Legal Reports/Litigation**  
**Personnel – Ambulatory Services**  
**Personnel – Court Department**

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 Councilwoman Balistrieri and seconded by Councilman Golabek to return to the public portion. Motion carried by the members present.

A motion was made by Councilman Fasolo and seconded by Councilwoman Pellegrine to adjourn. Motion carried by the members present.

Respectfully submitted,

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC  
Borough Clerk

*Minutes approved at the January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Reorganization Meeting*