

**WORK SESSION
OF THE
ELMWOOD PARK MAYOR AND COUNCIL
ACTION ITEMS
July 6, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park was called to order on Thursday, July 6, 2023 at 7:01PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 182 Market Street, Elmwood Park, New Jersey.

On Roll Call Councilmembers: Dennis, Fasolo, Golabek, Fasolo, Pellegrine, Sheridan and Council President Balistrieri. Also present were Mayor Colletti, Borough Administrator Foligno, Acting Borough Clerk Shanee Morris, and Borough Attorney Salvatore Ingrassia

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE:

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 6, 2023 and published on January 10, 2023.

3. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

R-260-23

Introduce Ord. #23-23

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE 2023 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,420,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

R-261-23

Capital Budget Amendment

R-262-23

Appointment of Recreation Staff for the 2023 Summer Program
Recreation Department

R-263-23

Appointment of Recreation Staff for the 2023 Summer Program
Recreation Department

R-264-23

Hiring Employees to Staff the Elmwood Park Emergency Medical
Service Unit

R-265-23

Renew Liquor Licenses for the 2023/2024 License Term

R-266-23

Approve 2023/2024 New And/or Used Car Dealerships Licenses

R-267-23

Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

5. EXECUTIVE:

A motion was made by Councilman Fasolo and seconded by Councilwoman Sheridan to enter into executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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:

Litigation/Legal Reports

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 Pellegrine and seconded by Councilwoman Sheridan to open back to the public. Motion carried unanimously.

6. WORK SESSION: NON-ACTION ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT:

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-260-23**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN PELLEGRINE
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN FASOLO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #23-23
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE 2023 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,420,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard in the Municipal Building on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 7:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be, and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent		AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Dennis	X				Pellegrine	X			
Fasolo	X				Sheridan	X			
Golabek	X				Balistrieri	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 6th day of July 2023. Signed and sealed before me.

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 23-23**

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE 2023 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,420,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Elmwood Park, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to undertake the 2023 Road Resurfacing Program at various locations in, by and for the Borough (including drainage improvements and curb and sidewalk replacement, where necessary), as set forth on a list on file with the Borough Clerk and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto. Depending upon the contract price and other exigent circumstances, and upon approval by the Borough Council, there may be additions to or deletions from the aforesaid list. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. The sum of \$1,420,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law, and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$1,420,000, and (4) \$68,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$1,352,000, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$225,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$68,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$68,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,352,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,352,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that

bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 7. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes and to issue said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer, who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$1,352,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 10. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 12. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 13. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: _____

Shanee Morris, CMR

Acting Borough Clerk

APPROVED: _____

Robert Colletti, Mayor

Introduced: July 6, 2023

Adopted:

6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2023-2028
SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES AND AMOUNTS

1 Project	2 Estimated Total Cost	Current Year 2023	Future Years	4 Capital Improvement Fund	5 Capital Surplus	6 Grants in Aid and Other Funds	BONDS AND NOTES					
							General	Liquidating	Assessment	School		
2023-4	3,920,000			193,000						3,727,000		
Total All Projects	7,332,700			344,700						6,988,000		

Be It Further Resolved that three certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services.

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution amending the capital budget section adopted by the governing body on the 6th day of July, 2023.

Certified by me

July 6, 2023

TRENTON, NEW JERSEY

APPROVED _____, 2023

_____ MUNICIPAL CLERK

DIRECTOR OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

I, Roy Riggitano, Chief Financial Officer for the Borough of Elmwood Park do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Roy Riggitano, Chief Financial Officer

July 5, 2023
Dated

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent		AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Dennis	X				Pellegrine	X			
Fasolo	X				Sheridan	X			
Golabek	X				Balistrieri	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 6th day of July 2023. Signed and sealed before me.

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-262-23**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN PELLEGRINE
SECONDED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT BALISTRIERI**

**APPOINTMENT OF RECREATION STAFF FOR THE 2023 SUMMER PROGRAM
RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department is conducting the Summer Care Program; and

WHEREAS, it was recommended by the Recreation Director that the following individuals be hired for said program contingent of completion of Recreation requirements at the rates and titles stated below:

NAME	SALARY
Karcz, Victoria	\$ 2,537.20
Todmann, Darion	\$ 2,868.14
Williams, Nicholas	\$ 2,868.14

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park that the above-named individual be and are hereby appointed for the 2023 Summer Care Program at the rates and titles stated above, retro-active to June 26, 2023.

I, Roy Riggitano, Chief Financial Officer for the Borough of Elmwood Park do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Roy Riggitano, Chief Financial Officer

July 5, 2023

Dated

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent		AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Dennis	X				Pellegrine	X			
Fasolo	X				Sheridan	X			
Golabek	X				Balistrieri	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 6th day of July 2023. Signed and sealed before me.

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-263-23**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN PELLEGRINE
SECONDED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT BALISTRERI**

**APPOINTMENT OF RECREATION STAFF FOR THE 2023 SUMMER PROGRAM
RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department is conducting the Summer Care Program; and

WHEREAS, it was recommended by the Recreation Director that the following individuals be hired for said program contingent of completion of Recreation requirements at the rates and titles stated below:

NAME	SALARY
GYM ASSISTANT	RATE P/HR
Kolenovic, Alan	15.00/hr
Kolenovic, Dino	15.00/hr
SPECIAL EVENT	RATE P/HR
Kolenovic, Alan	15.00/hr
Kolenovic, Dino	15.00/hr

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park that the above-named individual be and are hereby appointed for the 2023 Summer Care Program at the rates and titles stated above, effective June 30, 2023.

I, Roy Riggitano, Chief Financial Officer for the Borough of Elmwood Park do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Roy Riggitano, Chief Financial Officer

July 5, 2023

Dated

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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Dennis	X				Pellegrine	X			
Fasolo	X				Sheridan	X			
Golabek	X				Balistrieri	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 6th day of July 2023. Signed and sealed before me.

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-264-23**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN PELLEGRINE
SECONDED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT BALISTRIERI**

**HIRING EMPLOYEES TO STAFF THE ELMWOOD PARK
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE UNIT**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough have created the Elmwood Park Emergency Ambulance Services; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance created requires qualified employees in order to provide the needed services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to fill the required positions; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council had directed the Borough Administrator to interview and review the qualification of the potential applicant and the Business Administrator having complied with said directive and has recommended the following qualified applicant for the position:

Sullivan, Gianna

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park, that the above named individual is hereby hired and will make up the Roster for the EPEMS retroactive to June 27, 2023, to serve as EMT at a salary set forth in the Boroughs Salary ordinance.

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent		AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Dennis	X				Pellegrine	X			
Fasolo	X				Sheridan	X			
Golabek	X				Balistrieri	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 6th day of July 2023. Signed and sealed before me.

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-265-23**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN PELLEGRINE
SECONDED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT BALISTRIERI**

RENEW LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE 2023/2024 LICENSE TERM

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park that the following Liquor Licenses, having met all requirements for renewal for the 2023/2024 license year, be and are hereby renewed:

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE - \$1,200

0211-33-020-009 **ZELDA LIQUORS LLC.**
(INACTIVE) 11 CAMELOT DRIVE
 LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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Dennis	X				Pellegrine	X			
Fasolo	X				Sheridan	X			
Golabek	X				Balistrieri	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 6th day of July 2023. Signed and sealed before me.

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-266-23**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN PELLEGRINE
SECONDED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT BALISTRIERI**

APPROVE 2023/2024 NEW AND/OR USED CAR DEALERSHIPS LICENSES

WHEREAS, the following car dealerships have made application to the Borough of Elmwood Park to obtain a license to sell new and used cars on properties listed below; and

WHEREAS, zoning has been previously approved at said properties; and

WHEREAS, said applicants have paid the required fee of \$650;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park that permission is granted to the following car dealerships to sell new and used vehicles, expiring June 30, 2024;

Parkwood Auto Mall
265 US Route 46 East
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Route 4 Auto Exchange
65 Broadway
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Millan Motors
391 rt. 46 West
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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Dennis	X				Pellegrine	X			
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This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 6th day of July 2023. Signed and sealed before me.

Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-267-23**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILWOMAN PELLEGRINE
SECONDED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT BALISTRIERI**

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park that the actions noted in the Consent Agenda, Resolutions R-261-23 through R-267-23 be and are hereby approved and the **proper** officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: July 6, 2023

Robert Colletti, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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Shanee Morris, CMR
Acting Borough Clerk

Dated

Work Meeting Agenda Items:

PUBLIC HEARING:

Jeffery Freitag, Hillman Drive asked about the change in the Turf bid.

1 – PRESENTATIONS:

- a. **Enterprise - Leasing Borough Vehicles** – A representative from enterprise discussed taking over fleet for Borough vehicles. They reviewed how they would refresh the fleet and how it would affect the Borough moving forward. They reviewed a cost breakdown and savings along with different packages. Mayor and Council asked a few questions and discussed.

2 – ENGINEERS REPORT

- a. **Monthly Status Report** – Thomas Lemanowicz from Alaimo Engineering Group gave his monthly report. Councilman Golabek asked about timeline for light project. Mayor Colletti asked about payment for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.
- b. **Proposal for Professional Services – Borough Salt Shed** – Councilman Golabek asked if this proposal was ever a part of the Capital request. He would like something in writing in reference to the need.
- c. **Current Estimate #4 – Vietnam Veterans Memorial** – A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

3 – CORRESPONDANCE

- a. **Green Acres Award letter** – No discussion ensued.
- b. **Township of Saddle Brook Ordinance Notification** – No discussion ensued.
- c. **Modification of Municipal Code** – Borough Attorney Ingraffia explains the purpose of recodification. Mayor asked if the firm that submitted proposal will be doing the codifying. Mayor and Council discuss. A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

4 – RESOLUTIONS

- a. **Handicap Parking Space Request** – A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- b. **Tax Exemption for Disabled Veteran** – A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- c. **Road Opening Performance Bond** – A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- d. **Block Party Request** – Councilwoman Dennis asked about the date and location. A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting pending approval from Garfield Police Department.
- e. **Equipment Purchase – Recreation: Greenfield Outdoor Fitness** – A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- f. **Volunteer Firefighter Application** – A resolution will be added to the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

5 – PROPOSED ORDINANCES

- a. **Handicapped Parking – Market Street** – An ordinance will be introduced at the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- b. **Van Riper Avenue** – Borough Attorney Ingraffia explains this is to turn a County road into a Borough road. An ordinance will be introduced at the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- c. **Parking Prohibited** – An ordinance will be introduced at the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.
- d. **Street Opening (with changes)** – An ordinance will be introduced at the July 20, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting.

6 – DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- a. **Recreation Advisory Board Minutes – April 17, 2023** – Accepted without discussion.
- b. **Building Department Monthly Report – May, 2023** – Accepted without discussion.
- c. **Millennium Strategies Monthly Report – Through June, 2023** – Accepted without discussion.
- d. **Monthly Court Report – May, 2023 & June, 2023** – Accepted without discussion.

7 – APPLICATIONS

- a. **VFW Post 281 – Raffle License – July 18, 2023 – August 29, 2023** – Accepted without discussion.
- b. **Elmwood Park – Paterson Elks #60 – Casino Night – July 22, 2023** – Accepted without discussion.

8 – COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Dennis announced the foam party at the Recreation will be rescheduled. She then announced the upcoming Movie night and Barbeque.

Councilman Golabek explains the Turf bids came in higher than expected and having a rebid is the right move. Lastly he commended the Elmwood Park Fire Department for their role in the rescue that took place at the dam in Garfield.

Councilman Fasolo congratulated the graduating class of 2023. He then talked about the self-defense seminar. He addressed the post made on Social Media about him and his family. The Mayor and Council responded to the situation and asked the Borough Attorney if anything can be done. Borough Attorney Ingrassia advised a resolution be done condemning this type of posting if the Mayor and Council will like to proceed. They agree to move forward with the resolution.

Councilwoman Pellegrine announced Council Corner will be this coming Saturday with guest speaker Lt. Victor Scott.

Councilwoman Sheridan announced the upcoming events with the Elks. She then stated the Elmwood Park Fire Department did an excellent job with the rescue.

Council President Balistrieri shared her apologies to Councilman Fasolo and his family. She commended the Elmwood Park Fire Department on their rescue. Lastly, she stated the lemonade contest through Elmwood Park Policed Department is a great idea.

Mayor Colletti had no report.

9 – 2nd PUBLIC HEARING:

A motion was made by Councilman Fasolo and seconded by Councilwoman Sheridan to open to the public. Motions carried unanimously.

Jeffery Freitag, Hillman Drive asked about the Enterprise presentation and the documents that were presented. He asked what was included and wear and tear on the vehicles. Lastly, he asked if it falls under state contracting.

Jeanette Randazzo asked if the vehicles have any issues if they will be replaced with a new one.

Pamela Troisi commented on the Facebook post. She stated she does not condone nor agrees with the comments. She adds it was shared from a private group to the public.

Doris Wetchler asked why the trees on Mola Boulevard were cut down. She then asked how much it will cost to have the Library sign changed. Lastly, she added how horrible it was that Councilman Fasolo and his family were attacked online.

Lori Sproverio mentions purchasing vehicles take a long time and she thinks leasing will improve the turnaround time for vehicles.

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

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Personnel – Tax Department

Personnel – Clerks Office

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 Balistreri and seconded by Councilman Fasolo to adjourn. Motion carried by the members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanee Morris, CMR
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