

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK**  
**WORK MEETING**  
**January 9, 2025**  
**7:00PM**

The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Mayor and Council for March 7, 2024 was called to order by Borough Clerk Shanee Morris at 7:00PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

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

*\*Councilman Saimson participated via teleconference.*

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:**

No one from the public wished to speak.

**1 – ENGINEERS REPORT**

- a. **Monthly Status Report** – Matthew Baisle from Alaimo Engineering went through the monthly report. The Mayor and Council discussed putting an advertisement in the paper for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial for names that may have been missed. They also asked the status of Federal Grant projects.
- b. **Proposed Shade Tree Ordinance** – Mayor and Council discuss with Mr.Baisle a few things they would like him to look into.

**2 – RESOLUTIONS**

- a. **Grant Application** – A resolution will be placed on the January 23, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular meeting.
- b. **Resolution to Redeem Third Party Tax Lien** – A resolution will be placed on the January 23, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular meeting.
- c. **Vacation Buyback** – Councilwoman Sheridan asked about the amount and limit for buyback. A resolution will be placed on the January 23, 2025 Mayor and Council Regular meeting.

**3 – DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

- a. **Library Board Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2024** – Accepted without discussion.
- b. **Municipal Court Monthly Report – November, 2024** – Accepted without discussion.
- c. **Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2024** – Accepted without discussion.
- d. **Board of Health Meeting Minutes – November 11, 2024** – Accepted without discussion.
- e. **Building Department Monthly Report – December, 2024** – Accepted without discussion.
- f. **Millennium Strategies Report – End of the Year Report** – Accepted without discussion.
- g. **Police Department End of the Year Report** – Accepted without discussion.

**4 – COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Fasolo informed the Mayor and Council of what went on at the most recent Cannabis meeting. He then let them know the Cannabis Attorney Mr. Douglas Bern would like to discuss a few things with the Mayor and Council.

Councilman Golabek asked for the liaison and committee list.

Councilman Saimson mentioned the Fire Company fundraiser.

Councilwoman Sheridan reported progress.

Councilwoman Troisi gave her Board of Education update and stated the meeting went well. She then added to Councilman's Fasolo Cannabis report and stated the current ordinance does not allow for businesses in town to deliver. She would like her colleagues to consider amending the Ordinance. Lastly, for her Recreation update she announced upcoming sports and current repairs.

Council President Pellegrine announced the next Board of Health meeting as well as the next Chamber of Commerce meeting. Lastly, she announced Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

Mayor Colletti reported progress.

**5 – 2nd PUBLIC HEARING:**

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

Jeanette Randazzo, Franklin Street asked about the qualifications for a name to be added to the memorial plaque.

**6 – EXECUTIVE:**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Sheridan and seconded by Council President Pellegrine to enter into executive. 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**

**Attorney-Client**

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 Councilwoman Sheridan to adjourn. Motion carried by the members present.

Respectfully submitted,

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Shanee Morris, RMC, CMR  
Borough Clerk