

**Village of Elmira Heights
Regular Board Meeting
May 6, 2025
7:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Mayor Smith; Trustees Patelunas, Aiosa, Fuhlhage, & Churches

Officials Present: Clerk Martone, Street Superintendent Vanderhoff, & Police Sergeant Morrell

Officials Absent: Fire Chief Cadek, Code Enforcement Officer Sturgis, & Attorney Pautz

Mayor Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Called to order at 7:25 PM

1. Trustee Aiosa made a motion to resolve to accept the minutes of the April 7th Organizational Board Meeting, April 7th Regular Board Meeting, and April 15th Special Board Meeting.

Seconded by Trustee Patelunas

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

2. Trustee Fuhlhage made a motion to approve audit 12 in the amount of \$155,240.92 claim numbers 640-713, voiding claim number 689, and check numbers 23465-23527 and 23529-23533, voiding check numbers 23489 and 23528.

Seconded by Trustee Patelunas

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

3. Trustee Patelunas made a motion to put the following reports on file for the month of April 2025.

Police & Summary

Village Justice and Acting Justice Reports

Gas and Diesel Consumption

Street Department

Seconded by Trustee Fuhlhage

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye

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Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

4. Department Official Remarks

Street Superintendent Vanderhoff read his report, which is on file.

Police Sergeant Morrell read Chief Noonan's report, which is on file.

Cayuga Medical Center is interested in the 2019 Tahoe #304 to be decommissioned.

Trustee Patelunas informed the Board about asbestos testing done on the Golos building, and that samples from the roof, sheet rock, and caulking all tested positive. There was discussion about the cost to demolish the building and how those costs may be offset with the help of local businesses.

5. Motion by Trustee Aiosa to accept the Elmira Heights Village Justice Funds and Financial Statements prepared by the Village Auditor, Melissa Duerr, for the fiscal year 2024 - 2025.

Seconded by Trustee Fuhlhage

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

6. . Motion by Trustee Fuhlhage to move the following monies:

- \$48,000 from A909 (Unreserved Fund Balance) to A3620.42 (Lot Maintenance) to cover the cost of the Flower Cart demolition.
- \$700.00 from A3411.47 (Radio Repair) to A3411.44 (Contract) to cover supplies for 731.
- \$1,000.00 from A3411.47 (Radio Repair) to A3411.2 (Equipment) to cover equipment: new pony hose for 751, double male fitting for 761, and 2 K-tools for 731 and 732.
- \$510.00 from A3411.47 (Radio Repair) to A3411.48 (School) to cover new books and overage for the previous training class.
- \$2,470.32 from A1325.11 to A1325.1 to cover Clerk personnel.
- \$1,038.42 from A3120.14 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime

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- \$3,452.70 from A3120.4 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$2,814.89 from A3120.41 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$246.09 from A3120.45 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$5,557.82 from A3120.46 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$1,617.50 from A3120.47 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$1,449.75 from A3120.48 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$2,573.40 from A3120.49 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$3,474.01 from A3120.5 to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.
- \$275.42 from A1990.4 (Contingency) to A3120.15 to cover Police overtime.

Seconded by Trustee Patelunas

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

7. Motion by Trustee Patelunas to deem Police Car #304, a 2019 Chevy Tahoe, as excess property to be sold only as a law enforcement vehicle to either an appropriate law enforcement agency or security department for no less than \$18,000.00.

Seconded by Trustee Aiosa

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

8. Motion by Trustee Fuhlhage to deem the following vehicles impounded by the Police Department as excess property and to be put on the Govdeals.com auction site:
- 2011 Jaguar XF, with a minimum Blue Book bid of approximately \$5,000
 - 2003 Toyota Avalon

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Seconded by Trustee Patelunas

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

9. Motion by Trustee Patelunas to authorize the Mayor to enter into and sign a contract with the Town of Horseheads for Street Department Services for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Seconded by Trustee Fuhlhage

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

10. Motion by Trustee Patelunas to add to the agenda a resolution to levy taxes for expenses incurred for the demolition of the property located at 355 E. 14th Street, tax map 79.06-6-1, owned by Robert J. Sindelar, who presently resides at 100 Beartown Road, Painted Post, NY, 14870, in an amount no less than \$71,839.71.

Seconded by Trustee Aiosa

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

11. Motion by Trustee Patelunas to resolve to levy taxes for expenses incurred for the demolition of the property located at 355 E. 14th Street, tax map 79.06-6-1, owned by Robert J. Sindelar, who presently resides at 100 Beartown Road, Painted Post, NY, 14870 in an amount no less than \$71,839.71.

Seconded by Trustee Aiosa

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

12. No persons were present to discuss non-agenda items.

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13. Remarks:

Mayor Smith discussed the 17th Street Basin project. The contractor is willing to work for a lower price.

Discussion and questions regarding the Bicycle Corridor.

14. Motion by Trustee Patelunas to adjourn the May 6, 2025 regular board meeting at 8:38 PM.

Seconded by Trustee Churches

Roll call vote: Trustee Patelunas	Aye
Trustee Aiosa	Aye
Trustee Fuhlhage	Aye
Trustee Churches	Aye
Mayor Smith	Aye

Respectfully Submitted By,
Amanda Martone
Village Clerk