

At the workshop of the Town Board of the Town of Elmira, Chemung County, New York held Monday, July 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM at 1255 West Water Street, Elmira, NY, there were present:

Supervisor: David Sullivan  
Councilmember: Thomas Milliken  
Councilmember: Scott Bush  
Councilmember: Albert Lucarelli  
Deputy Supervisor Ron Allison

Others present  
Town Clerk- Tammy Stein  
Attorney- Scott Moore

Supervisor Sullivan called the workshop to order at 7pm and asked others to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

### **Discussion**

Supervisor Sullivan stated that Airbnb's have been in the town for at least 10 years, there are 3 registered in our town. The Police have not received any complaints related to Airbnb's. They are not restricted under the code and are an allowable use. He would like to ask the Planning Board to see if they would need to change or reword the code or to add definitions. Supervisor Sullivan allowed comments regarding the Airbnb from the residents that attended the workshop.

### **Public Comment**

Dorinne Premier, Grandview Ave., discussed her concerns regarding the Airbnb's in the Town.

Matt and Bonnie Schilling, Grandview Ave., discussed their concern regarding the Airbnb in the Town and the parking on the road.

Jennifer Herrick McGonigal, Grandview Ave., as an Airbnb owner she explained to the Town Board her reasoning for doing the Airbnb. She let the board know her intentions and spoke about the people whom have been renting the home and the positive impact it has on the local economy.

Supervisor Sullivan stated he will send a memo asking the Planning Board to review the code.

Peddling and Soliciting- Amend Local Law, Supervisor Sullivan stated that Town Clerk Stein and Code Officer Crandall are working on the changes and will have Police Chief Richards input as well. When they finish, they will forward to Attorney Moore for review. Supervisor Sullivan would like to amend the price of a permit, the hours, and look into the denial process.

Town Clerk Stein elaborated on the process and the amount of solicitor's who apply for permits. Attorney Moore spoke in regards to the denial of a permit.

The Town Board is in agreement that they need to look into the changes suggested.

183 Bower Road- Supervisor Sullivan stated the property has been being looked at by the town for several years. The Town Board, Attorney and Code Officer discussed the mowing of the

property. Supervisor Sullivan discussed adding a surcharge and increasing the regular fee. He'd like to have a graduated scale.

Odd/Even Parking- Supervisor Sullivan stated that Attorney Moore has provided an amendment to the current Law. This will add Chapman Place and Wesley Place in Elmira Heights which are Town of Elmira roads to the Odd/Even parking allowing the Highway Superintendent and/or his designee to site those whom do not comply to the new Law.

Fund Balance- Supervisor Sullivan discussed where the town is at this point and stated we are in good standings and may hit the goal early. The Board will discuss this again at the end of the year and see if they should make any changes. We are at 71% of where we want to be overall.

Budget Parameters for 2022- Supervisor Sullivan stated that he has been working on the 2022 budget and asked the board to come up with a guideline of where they'd like to be at. They discussed Health Benefits and plans for employees.

Supervisor Sullivan discussed the Police new hires and asked the personnel committee to meet at 6:15 on July 19th.

Supervisor Sullivan discussed the deer population with the Board and stated Town Clerk Stein and Traffic Officer Weed are working with DEC to come up with a solution.

Supervisor Sullivan discussed the summer camps with the board. He explained Elmira School District is doing a program this summer and we lost all our counselors to this program. Recreation Coordinator Patty Carozza met with Town Clerk Stein and Supervisor Sullivan and together came up with a great program to keep these camps running this summer. Some had to be moved due to low attendance. Patty reached out to other organizations to help make these camps fun for all the kids.

Speed Study- Supervisor Sullivan discussed doing a speed study and the board agreed that we will conduct it when we get the speed trailer in.

Marijuana- The board discussed whether they want to opt in or out of the program. This needs to be done by the end of the year. The board will do a seminar on September 29th to learn more about the legalization and how it effects municipalities and their towns.

The Town Board discussed the funds they will be receiving from the American Rescue Plan and options that they might use the funds for.

**Resolution #118-21**

**Appoint Jennifer Moffe as Zoning Board Member**

**By Mr. Bush**

**Seconded by Mr. Lucarelli**

Motion was made to appoint Jennifer Moffe as Zoning Board Member with a term to expire 5/31/2026.

Aye- Bush, Milliken, Lucarelli, Allison, Sullivan

No- None

**Resolution #119-21**

**Appoint Kyler Ripley as Summer Camp Counselor**

**By Mr. Lucarelli**

**Seconded by Mr. Allison**

Motion was made to appoint Kyler Ripley as camp counselor for the 2021 Camp Season with a rate subject to the number of days and times of the camp.

Aye- Bush, Milliken, Lucarelli, Allison, Sullivan

No- None

Motion was made by Councilmember Allison at 8:26pm and seconded by Councilmember Lucarelli to enter into an executive session to discuss CBA adjustments.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bush at 8:38pm and seconded by Councilmember Lucarelli to exit executive session and reconvene the Workshop.

Motion was made by Councilmember Milliken at 8:40pm and seconded by Councilmember Allison to adjourn the Workshop. All in favor, Motion Carried

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Tammy Stein, Town Clerk