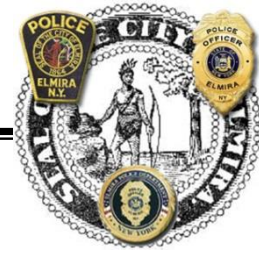


# ***PRESS RELEASE***

Elmira Police Department 317 East Church Street, Elmira, New York 14901



**From:** Lt. Chris Zelko    **Contact Number:** (607) 737-5623

**Date:** January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

**Subject:** Motor Vehicle Accident

On January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at approximately 3:36 p.m. first responders were alerted to a motor vehicle accident at the intersection of W. Clinton St. and Euclid Ave. Initial reports indicated that a County Transit (C-Tran) Bus had struck a residence in the area.

Upon arriving on scene, Officers with the Elmira Police Department located the C-Tran bus in the north side of 519 Euclid Ave. A second vehicle involved, a blue 2003 Jeep Grand Cherokee, was located facing southeast on W. Clinton St. The bus, jeep and house all had significant damage.

The driver of the bus was removed and treated by Erway Ambulance and transported to Robert Packer Hospital for a head injury. The driver is currently in stable condition. There were no passengers on the bus at the time of the collision.

The driver of the Jeep was treated on scene by Erway Ambulance and transported to the Arnot Ogdan Medical Center for minor injuries. This driver was later released from the hospital.

The residents of 519 Euclid Ave. were not injured as a result of the accident.

The Elmira Police Department investigated the incident on scene and received video of the collision from residents in the area as well as video from the C-Tran bus itself. The investigation concluded that the bus was traveling west on W. Clinton St. and had the right of way. The Jeep was traveling south on Euclid Ave. and disregarded a stop sign at the intersection and struck the bus. The driver of the Jeep was issued a citation for Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign.

The Elmira Police Department was assisted at the scene by the Elmira Fire Department, Elmira Code Enforcement, Erway Ambulance, NYSEG, Rinwalske Towing and Dave's Towing.

Anyone who may have witnessed the accident is urged to contact the Elmira Police Department at 607-737-5626 or the Tip Line at 271-HALT.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Zelko".

Lt. Chris Zelko