

City of Eldridge City Council Meeting Minutes

The City of Eldridge, Iowa, City Council met in an open session at Eldridge City Hall at 7:00 pm on July 3, 2023.

Council Members Present: Dan Collins, Bruce Cheek, Brian Dockery, and Bernie Peeters

Council Members Absent: Adrian Blackwell

Presiding: Mayor Frank King

Also present: Jeff Martens, Joe Sisler, Nevada Lemke, Ashley Lacey, John Ryan, Dale Grunwald, Ron Iossi, Trevor Gimm, and Charlotte Courtney.

Motion by Peeters to Approve the Agenda. Second by Cheek. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Public Comment

John Ryan spoke about how upset he was to read that there were thoughts to close the library at the last meeting. He feels this would be a terrible move as a community needs a library.

Ron Iossi also spoke about the option to close the library to open a City Hall/Police Station, he understands that we may need to have a new City Hall/Police Station. He thinks maybe the City should have an open house and show the community what is needed. He also suggested starting a citizen's advisory committee to offer their suggestions.

Mayor's Agenda

Motion by Peeters to approve City Council Minutes from June 19, 2023 and Special Council Minutes June 26, 2023. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Collins to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$764,520.73. Second by Cheek. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Cheek to approve a liquor license for Double Barrell Drinkery, LLC. Second by Collins. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Dockery to approve a 5-day liquor license for the Cabos-Summerfest/Music in the Park, effective July 8-July 12, 2023. Second by Peeters. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Old Business

Motion by Dockery to table the third and final Reading of Ordinance 2023-13 Rezoning of Parcels 932703006 and 932701003 from Suburban Agricultural District to I-2 General Industrial District until after the Planning and Zoning meeting on August 3rd. Second by Peeters. Roll call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Dockery (Aye), Peeters (Aye), and Cheek (Aye).

Motion by Dockery to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2023-14 Amending Title D, Chapter Two, Section 5 – Definitions, of the Eldridge City Code by amending the definition of “Sign”. Second by Collins. Roll call vote indicated Dockery (Aye), Peeters (Aye), Cheek (Aye), and Collins (Aye).

Motion by Dockery to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2023 Amending Title D, Chapter one, Section 19.12 – Sidewalks, of the Eldridge City Code, to include public and municipal districts and to address sidewalk assessment waivers for existing industrial parks, as presented. Second by Peeters. Roll call vote indicated Peeters (Aye), Cheek (Aye), Collins (Aye), and Dockery (Aye).

Motion by Cheek to approve the hiring of a police officer to fill the current vacancy. Second by Peeters. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Collins to approve a \$3,000 sign-on bonus for certified officers as a permanent hiring incentive for the Police Department. Second by Cheek. Voice vote showed 3 Ayes and 1 Nay (Dockery)

New Business

Motion by Dockery to approve the sidewalk assessment waiver for Wapsi River Properties II, LLC DBA Eldridge Storage with it noted that they must record it against the deed at the Records Office. Second by Collins. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Peeters to approve the sidewalk assessment waiver for Focus Storage with it noted that they must record it against the deed at the Records Office. Second by Dockery. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Activity Reports

Police- Chief Sisler has been approached by some citizens and they are going to host a coffee with a cop and then invite them back to the station to tour the department. They did have 8-10 calls about fireworks the prior night and we did have an extra officer to help the calls.

City Administrator – There was an incident at the water department where there was a chlorine leak, staff worked very well together to get the information out and it was all wrapped up within an hour. Wilford Construction will begin the City Hall construction project July 5th, they are hoping it will be done by Friday.

Dockery made a motion to adjourn. Second by Collins. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Frank King
Mayor

Ashley Lacey
Billing Clerk

BILLS FOR 7/3/23

ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	SERVICE	\$88.73
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	SUPPLIES	\$82.28
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$1,396.24
ANDREW LELIG	SERVICE	\$118.00
CAVANAUGH TONY	SERVICE	\$118.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	SERVICE	\$88.17
CNH CAPITAL	SUPPLIES	\$5,931.63
COBRA HELP	BENEFITS	\$7.00
COMMERCIAL PRINTERS	SUPPLIES	\$137.50
DELTA DENTAL	BENEFITS	\$1,463.00
DMB SALES	SUPPLIES	\$11,340.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	SUPPLIES	\$15.94
G T SPORTS UNLIMITED	SUPPLIES	\$67.00
GALE RYAN	SERVICE	\$45.00
GRAINGER	SUPPLIES	\$97.64
JEFF MARTENS	SERVICE	\$236.60
JOE SISLER	SUPPLIES	\$204.88
LEXIPOL	SERVICE	\$5,901.31
LOGAN CONTR SUPPLY INC.	SUPPLIES	\$42,751.00
MENARDS	SUPPLIES	\$262.34
MERSCHMAN HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	\$317.72
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	UTILITIES	\$9,503.39
MILLS CHEVROLET	SUPPLIES	\$215.86
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PUMP INC	SERVICE	\$11,295.00
MOBILE TEAM TRAINING UNIT IV	SERVICE	\$935.00
OFFICE SPECIALISTS	SUPPLIES	\$49.99
QUAD CITIES TAS	SERVICE	\$139.93
QUAD CITIES WINWATER CO	SUPPLIES	\$99.00
QUAD CITY SAFETY INC.	SUPPLIES	\$124.95
RAGAN MECHANICAL	SUPPLIES	\$3,142.40
REPUBLIC SERVICES #400	SERVICE	\$49.56
RIVER CITIES MANAGEMENT	SERVICE	\$1,813.00
RIVER VALLEY COOPERATIVE	SUPPLIES	\$799.81
RIVERSTONE GROUP INC	SUPPLIES	\$2,130.11
RNJS DISTRIBUTION INC.	SUPPLIES	\$57.70
ROB SAND AUDITOR OF STATE	SERVICE	\$31,886.20
SCOTT COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT.	SERVICE	\$225.00
THEISEN SUPPLY INC	SUPPLIES	\$319.00
TIFCO INDUSTRIES	SUPPLIES	\$86.04
TRI-CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY OF IOWA	SUPPLIES	\$18,517.02
US POSTAL SERVICE (CMRS-FP)	SERVICE	\$500.00
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES	\$1,393.96

VALLEY CONSTRUCTION CO.	SERVICE	\$481,737.19
VEOLIA WATER TECHNOLOGIES	SUPPLIES	\$2,210.68
VERIZON WIRELESS	SERVICE	\$1,142.83
VERMEER SALES & SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$118.62
VOGEL TRAFFIC SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$13,519.80
WASTE COMMISSION OF SCOTT COUNTY	SERVICE	\$114.48
WEX BANK	SUPPLIES	\$11,102.33
WHITE CAP LP	SUPPLIES	\$79.40
AUXIANT	BENEFITS	\$3,379.97
DELUXE	SUPPLIES	\$328.96
PAYROLL	PAYROLL	\$96,833.57
	TOTAL BILLS PAYABLE	\$764,520.73