City of Eldridge City Council Meeting Minutes

The City of Eldridge, Iowa, City Council met in an open session at Eldridge Community Center at 7:00 pm on August 18th, 2025.

Council Members Present: Ryan Iossi, Dan Collins, Adrian Blackwell, Brian Dockery and Scott Campbell. Quorum was met.

Presiding: Mayor Frank King

Also Present: Nevada Lemke, Jeff Martens, Tony Cavanaugh, Erin Gentz, Tony Rupe, Ray Nees, Dale Grunwald and Marty O'Boyle

Motion by Dockery to approve the agenda. Second by Campbell. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Public Comment

No public comments were made.

Mayor's Agenda

Motion by Iossi to approve City Council Minutes from August 4, 2025. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Blackwell to approve Committee of the Whole Minutes from August 4, 2025. Second by Campbell. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by lossi to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$504,718.27. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Dockery to approve appointments of Arsal Shareef to the Community Center Board for a term expiring 06/01/2029, Samantha Nichols to the Park Board for a term expiring 02/28/2029, and the reappointment of Jennifer Vittorio to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term expiring 09/12/2029. Second by Campbell. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Old Business

Motion by lossi to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance #2025-19 Rezoning RIVALDD Farm's parcels from SA-Suburban Agricultural to I-2 General Industrial. Second by Collins. Roll Call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), lossi (Aye) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

Motion by Dockery to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance #2025-20 Rezoning RG Prime and Slopertown LLC parcels SA-Suburban Agricultural to I-2 General Industrial. Dwellings located on the parcels may remain until the land is 80% industrially developed. Second by Blackwell. Roll Call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), lossi (Aye) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

Motion by Blackwell to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance #2025-21 Amending Publishing Requirements. Second by Iossi. Roll Call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), Iossi (Aye) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

New Business

Motion by Dockery to approve the First reading of Ordinance #2025-22 Amending the Pool and Spa Fencing. Second by Collins. Roll call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), lossi (Aye) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

Motion by Dockery to approve the First Reading of Ordinance #2025-23 Updating City Stop Intersection. Second by Campbell. Roll call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), lossi (Aye) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

Motion by Campbell to approve the First Reading of Ordinance #2025-24 Defining Electric Scooters and Setting Regulations. Second by Dockery. Roll call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), lossi (Aye) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

Motion by lossi to approve Resolution #2025-23 Approving Final Acceptance of Public Improvements for the 2024 Eldridge Street Improvements project. Second by Blackwell. Roll call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), lossi (Aye) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

Motion by Dockery to approve Resolution #2025-24 Approving Final Acceptance of Public Improvements for the Townsend Farms Shared Use Path Project. Second by Blackwell. Roll call vote indicated Collins (Aye), Campbell (Aye) and Blackwell (Aye), lossi (Abstain) and Dockery (Aye). Motion carried.

Motion by Blackwell to approve FY26 budgeted purchase of 2026 Ford F-550 from Dahl Ford in the amount of \$56,379. Second by lossi. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Dockery to approve FY26 budgeted purchase of 2026 Freightliner Dump Truck from Truck Country in the amount of \$111,805. Second by Campbell. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Board/Staff Activities

City Administrator – Beginning to review applicants for the City Clerk/Finance Manager position and plan to start scheduling interviews next week. Review and selection committee will consist of Mayor King, Jeff Martens, Nevada Lemke, as well as council members Scott Campbell and Brian Dockery. Martha Nieto agreed to come back for a short time to keep the city's financial operations going day to day. Fiscal year should be closed out within a week. The City Update Breakfast is scheduled for Thursday, October 23rd and will be hosted by Grand Haven Retirement Community. Public compliments have been received regarding city public works staff throughout the week.

Assistant City Administrator – None

Ray Nees /City Inspector – This year there are currently issued, or processing permits for, 47 new homes. 35 of which are townhouses. In Grunwald 2nd Addition, the west side of Redbud Circle is completely built out with the last few homes being built currently. Townsend Farm 13th and 14th additions have been receiving interest and will have new homes being constructed over the next few weeks. Between the two additions there are currently 21 lots open for single family detached dwellings waiting to be built on.

City Clerk - None

Police – Chief Lellig will be present at the next meeting to speak on Ordinance #2025-24.

Motion by Dockery to adjourn at 7:35 pm. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted

Frank King Peyton Pewe

Mayor Administrative College Intern