

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Eldridge Electric and Water Utility Board was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on September 23rd, 2025, at Eldridge City Hall.

The board members present were Michael Bristley, Mark Goodding, Jeff Hamilton, Rachael Padavich, and Abby Petersen. Also present were Gage Lane, Nevada Lemke, Sadie Wagner, Cegan Long, Gabe Stricker, Ryan Iossi, Marty O' Boyle, and Dale Grunwald.

Public Comment: None.

Padavich Made a Motion to Approve the Agenda. Second by Petersen. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Hamilton Made Motion to Approve of Utility Board Minutes from September 9th, 2025, Second by Padavich. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Financial & Administrative

- A. Petersen Made Motion to Approve Bills Payable in the amount of \$ 67,024.71, Second by Padavich. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- B. Padavich Made Motion to Approve Resolution 2025-15 E&W Repealing Resolution 2022-010 E&W Establishing changes to the Electric Department Pay Scale. Second by Hamilton, ROLL CALL Petersen (Aye), Goodding (Aye), Padavich (Aye), Hamilton (Aye), Bristley (Aye). Motion Carried.
- C. The Board held a discussion on interest rates and terms for T- Bills. The Board requested that the City Administrator bring back an arrangement for review at the next Utility Board meeting in October.
- D. Goodding Made Motion to approve amended Utility Billing Policy. Second by Hamilton. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- E. Padavich Made Motion to Approve Resolution 2025-16 Repealing Resolution 2022-06 E&W Establishing Changes and Other Conditions to the Budget Billing Plan. Second Goodding, ROLL CALL Petersen (Aye), Goodding (Aye), Padavich (Aye), Hamilton (Aye), Bristley (Aye). Motion Carried.
- F. **Department Update-** Wagner met with Daupler and believes it would be beneficial to bring in the remaining departments to utilize their system to replace the existing answering service. She also received an email from Andy with Compass regarding the micro-planning resource auction and relayed the auction had been run incorrectly for a number of years and that MISO will be crediting for the current PY 25-26. Another email was received from Kevin with CIPCO to initiate conversation as CIPCO is proposing a generating facility project just outside of Maysville. The PCA for Quarter 3 has been reviewed and adjusted, and the increase will take effect on the 10/1/25 bill.

Electric Department

- A. **Outages-** On 9/13/25 at 2:00 PM, an outage occurred at 123 W. Spring Street due to a melted fuse on a transformer. Power was restored at 2:50 PM, with a total of 9 customers affected.
- B. **Department Update-** The crew recently completed the IUC vegetation and tree trimming inspection, which will be sent to the trimming crews to obtain quotes and hire out. A new underground electrical service was also completed in preparation for the new car wash. Additionally, Devin and Dalton are out of town attending their IAMU training.

Water Department

- A. Water Main Breaks- None.
- B. Water Test Results- Bac-Ts passed. Water testing shows fluoride at the raw level. The fluoride pump will be repaired this week, returning levels to 0.7. All other tests came back negative, and the system remains in compliance.
- C. Discussion was had on PVC Water Main. No motion was made.
- D. Padavich Made a Motion to approve replacement clearwell float sensors. Second by Petersen. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- E. Discussion was had for AC/Heater units for the power and chlorine rooms at the Water Treatment Plant. Petersen Made Motion to Table. Second by Padavich. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- F. **Department Update** – The exterior sandblasting of the water tower is complete, and work has moved to the interior, with completion expected by the end of the week. Painting is planned to begin in early October. ACCO is replacing the fluoride and caustic pumps this week, along with the necessary hardware. Lino Instrumentation will be on-site on Thursday to calibrate testing equipment. The new meter reading system is fully operational and will start being used this week. Altorfer was out on Monday to test the stray voltage on the generator, and they did find stray voltage and fixed the ground wire in the hope of fixing the issue. ISG is in the final stages of completing the hydraulic model, and once it's complete, they will meet with the city to discuss recommendations and findings. Long was approved to take his Grade 4s.

Participation in IPPA MISO tranche 2.1 transmission projects

- A. Padavich Made a Motion at 6:07pm to go into Potential Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 21.5(1)(a), 388.9(1), and 21.5(1)(k), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential; to discuss proprietary information and information required by a noncustomer contracting party to be kept confidential pursuant to a nondisclosure agreement which relates to electric transmission planning and construction and critical energy infrastructure; and to discuss information contained in records in the custody of a governmental body that are confidential records pursuant to section 22.7, subsection 50. Second by Petersen. Roll Call Petersen (Aye), Goodding (Aye), Padavich (Aye), Hamilton (Aye), Bristley (Aye). Motion Carried.

Came out of Closed session at 6:37pm

- B. Petersen Moved that the Electric Utility participate in the IPPA MISO Tranche 2.1 transmission projects and authorized the City Administrator OR the Utility Administrative Manager to submit a project participation nomination as proposed by management to the Utility Board, and, further, authorize payment for its share of seed money based on that nomination. Seconded By Padavich. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

- 9. Padavich Made Motion to Adjourn at 6:40pm Second by Petersen. All Ayes.

Sincerely,
Gage Lane
Utility Billing Clerk