

## ELDRIDGE ELECTRIC AND WATER UTILITY BOARD

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Eldridge Electric and Water Utility Board was called to order at 5:00pm on 5/5/2026, at Eldridge City Hall.

The board members present were Michael Bristley, Jeff Hedrington, and Jeff Hamilton. Mark Goodding and Abby Petersen were absent. Also present were Gage Lane, Sadie Wagner, Cegan Long, and Ryan Iossi.

Public Comment - None

Hedrington Made Motion to Approve the Agenda. Second by Hamilton. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Hedrington Made Motion to Approve Utility Board Minutes from April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Second By Hamilton. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Department Update- Wagner reported that the electric fund for the FY26 budget is projected to exceed budget due to higher-than-expected power costs. However, when combined with other business-type activities - water, sewer, and community center, overall expenditures are not projected to exceed the total budget, and a budget amendment is not anticipated. Wagner also reported that a proposal has been received from Shive for an electrical system study, which is expected to be presented at an upcoming meeting. Lane reported that May 1st utility bills have been mailed and is in the process of scheduling water meter replacements.

Electric Department:

Outages- half-power outage on April 29, 2026, at 7:11 a.m. 349 E. Donahue St. Staff verified the issue on the utility side of the meters and determined the cause to be a fault in the underground service. The fault was located and repaired, and power was restored at 10:45 a.m. A total of four customers were affected.

Department Update: Collin Wilson- reported by Wagner - The crew has completed new electric service installations at Ivy Acres and Grunwald 2nd Addition. A new electric service was also installed at the old water tower due to multiple faults and splices in the original service. Additionally, a utility pole was replaced at 180 N. 9th Avenue.

Water Department:

Water Main Breaks- None

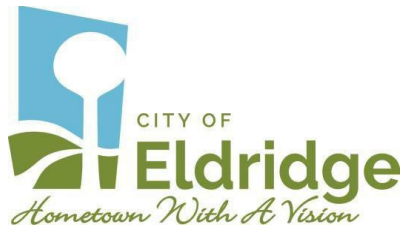
Water Test Results April test results were all satisfactory and met required standards. May backflow preventer (Back T's) testing will begin this week.

Hedrington Made Motion to Approve Resolution 2026-04 E&W Establishing an Increase in Water Rates to Meet the Fiscal Obligation of the Water Utility. Second By Hamilton. ROLL CALL- Hedrington (AYE), Hamilton (AYE), Bristley (AYE). Motion Carried.

A discussion was held regarding the adoption of SUDAS for construction standards within the Water Department. No motion was made at this time.

Water Department Update- Well 4 was experiencing higher amperage readings and repeated failure callouts. After investigation and consultation with Northway Pump, it was determined that the pump is oversized for the existing motor. The proposed solution is to coordinate with the upcoming maintenance of Well 5, which also has a 40-horsepower motor. As Well 4 is rebuilt, the plan is to move its current setup to Well 5 and upgrade Well 4 to a 50-horsepower motor. Work is anticipated to begin in July.

Long has also been working on the draft water rules and will send them back to Ahlers and Cooney for review. Johnson Controls has installed security communications. Petersen Plumbing replaced a pump for the power mini-split system. Hometown installed a new hydrant on North 9th Avenue. The crew will fill and get bac-T's pulled.



Hedrington Made Motion for Adjournment at 5:17pm. Second By Hedrington. All Ayes.

Respectfully submitted,  
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