

City of Eldridge Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

The City of Eldridge, Iowa, City Council met in an open Special Committee of the Whole Joint City Council & Utility Board session at 6:00 pm on May 18, 2026.

Council Members Present: Adrian Blackwell, Brian Dockery, Ryan Iossi and Scott La Plante. Absent: Council Member Jeff Ashcraft. Utility Board Members Present: Michael Bristley, Mark Goodding, Jeff Hamilton, Jeff Hedrington & Abby Petersen. Absent: None.

Presiding: Mayor Scott Campbell

Also Present: Nevada Lemke, Jeff Martens, Tracy Northcutt, Tony Rupe, Cegan Long, Tabitha Kramer, Brad Nielsen, Mary Egger, Ben Keith, Tony Loete, Scott Hinton, Zach Howell, Shane Oyler, Erin Gentz, Dale Grunwald, and Marty O'Boyle

Presentation by Iowa American Water on proposals for Water & Sewer Utilities

Representatives from Iowa American Water, Brad Nielsen, Mary Egger, Ben Keith, Tony Loete, Scott Hinton, presented slides as an overview of a proposal to fully acquire the water and wastewater assets currently owned by the City of Eldridge. Discussion was held regarding capital improvements needed for economic development growth, particularly for industrial capacity. Rate increases, estimated costs of capital improvements, staff members, and alternatives to a full acquisition were also discussed. Continued review by Staff, Council and Utility Board Members will be done to determine the most advantageous direction to be taken for the future of the community.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracy A. Northcutt
City Clerk