

City of Eldridge City Council Meeting Minutes

The City of Eldridge, Iowa, City Council met in open session at Eldridge City Hall at 7:01 pm on June 1, 2026.

Council Members Present: Adrian Blackwell, Brian Dockery, Ryan Iossi, Jeff Ashcraft & Scott La Plante. Quorum was met. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Presiding: Mayor Scott Campbell

Also Present: Nevada Lemke, Jeff Martens, Tracy Northcutt, Tabbitha Kramer, Erin Gentz, Marty O'Boyle, Brad Nielsen, Tony Loete, Ben Keith, Mary Egger, Scott Hinton, Dale Grunwald, and Trevor Gimm.

Motion by Ashcraft approving the agenda. Seconded by Iossi. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Public Comment:

Mayor Campbell opened public comment by asking for name, city of residence, respectful comments and gave a reminder of the three-minute limit for presenting. No members of the public presented to speak.

Mayor's Agenda

Motioned by Blackwell approving City Council Minutes from May 18th, 2026. Seconded by LaPlante. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motioned by Iossi approving Special Committee of the Whole Minutes from May 18th, 2026. Seconded by Blackwell. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motioned by LaPlante approving Special City Council Minutes from May 23rd, 2026. Seconded by Iossi. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motioned by Ashcraft approving the bills payable in the amount of \$1,655,672.80. Seconded by Blackwell. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motioned by Ashcraft approving retail tobacco permit renewals for Big 10 Mart #25 and #27. Seconded by Iossi. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motioned by LaPlante approving liquor license renewal for Al & Gerry's tap. Seconded by Iossi. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Presentation

Brad Neilsen from Iowa American Water presented on two additional options as a follow-up to the original proposal. Option 1 consists of the City purchasing bulk water from Iowa American Water and would require the City to still be responsible for the capital investment for pressure/flow updates. Option 2 consists of entering into a contract creating a "designated service territory," a situation that must be approved by the Iowa Utilities Commission. Iowa American Water would invest the capital investment but also expect the City of Eldridge to have an in-kind capital investment on the sewer side. There was some discussion regarding investments should any option be chosen.

Old Business

Motioned by Dockery approving the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance #2026-08 Amending Permitted uses in C-3 General Commercial District. Seconded by Ashcraft. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: Aye – Ashcraft, Blackwell, Dockery, Iossi and La Plante. Nay – None.

Motioned by Iossi approving the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance #2026-09 Amending City Sanitary Sewer Code Establishing Water Leak Adjustment. Seconded by Blackwell. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: Aye – Ashcraft, Blackwell, Dockery, Iossi and La Plante. Nay – None.

Motioned by Ashcraft approving the proposal from N.J. Miller, Inc. for the Dammann Drive Speed Hump Installation in the amount of \$11,500. Seconded by LaPlante. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

New Business

Motioned by Iossi approving Resolution #2026-26 Waiving Fees for Student Built Home for 2026-2027. Seconded by LaPlante. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: Aye – Ashcraft, Blackwell, Dockery, Iossi and La Plante. Nay – None.

Notification of Iowa DOT Project Ref#MP-061-6(732)123-76-82 consisting of PCC Patching on US-61 from South of I-80 to the south Junction with US-30. No action required.

Motioned by Ashcraft accepting the proposal from Schaefer and Armstrong of Ruhl and Ruhl Company. Seconded by Iossi. Motion amended by Ashcraft to accept the proposal from Schaefer and Armstrong of Ruhl and Ruhl Company and asking for the opportunity for 5% commission, but that does not limit the agreement. Seconded by Iossi. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Mayor Campbell requested that the City gather public input on how to use the funds from the sale of the Community Center. Assistant City Administrator Jeff Martens reported that Shive Hattery will need to do a plat to split the parcel.

Board/Staff Activities

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Campbell indicated that there has been no further response from the Fire Department. The Community Survey for input on a possible bond referendum for public facilities has been mailed to residential properties. The open house designed to help educate the public is scheduled for June 4 from 5-6pm. Woda Cooper will find out about their tax credits on Wednesday. Dockery inquired about the N. 6th Avenue workforce housing tax credits. City Administrator Nevada Lemke reported they will find out mid to late June.

City Administrator – Nevada Lemke, City Administrator, stated that Cabos’ liquor license was approved as of June 1st. Lemke read a citizen’s email commending the Public Works’ crew on their hard work.

City Clerk – Tracy Northcutt, City Clerk, thanked Assistant City Administrator on his efforts to transition the email to government accounts.

Assistant City Administrator – Jeff Martens, Assistant City Administrator, provided an update on transitioning city email accounts from business basic to government accounts. Martens anticipated the transition would last 2 more days and that City staff and Council members’ emails will be much more secure under the new government emails.

Police – None

Motion by Dockery to adjourn at 7:59 pm. Second by Iossi. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Campbell
Mayor

Tabbitha Kramer
Deputy City Clerk

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELLULAR SERVICES	\$ 743.25
SCOTT CO SHERIFFS DEPT.	BOOKING FEES	\$ 225.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	DARE SUPPLIES	\$ 49.99
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	EPD COPIER LEASE	\$ 323.07
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELLULAR SERVICES	\$ 38.47
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ELDRIDGE WELDING	REISSUE CK -SIGN BACK PLATES	\$ 125.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	UNIT #106 - OIL FILTER	\$ 5.09
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	VINYL FOR WORK TRUCKS	\$ 41.57
ASHCRAFT, JEFF	REISSUE CHK PARK BOARD	\$ 180.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	MAT CLEANING SVCS	\$ 67.33

ADP, INC	TIMECLOCK SOFTWARE FEES	\$ 138.16
SCHOOL PERCEPTIONS LLC	COMMUNITY SURVEY DESIGN	\$ 2,600.00
LINDLE, AMBER	MILEAGE REIMB/LEGAL DEP	\$ 17.55
DE NOVO MARKETING	MONTHLY WEBSITE MAINT FEE	\$ 162.50
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELLULAR SERVICES	\$ 38.47
FIRST CENTRAL STATE BANK	BANK FEES	\$ 36.20
FRANCOTYP-POSTALIA, INC.	POSTAGE MACHINE FEES	\$ 250.00
WRIGHT LAW OFFICE, P.C.	JANUARY 2026/LITIGATION	\$ 1,180.00
ENGBRECHT BROS TILING	STORM SEWER REPAIR - S 1ST ST	\$ 43.35
MENARDS	TRAFFIC LIGHT GEN CORD	\$ 69.99
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER GO BOND BANK FEES	\$ 5,380.60
UMB BANK NA	2015 SEWER GO BOND PRINC	\$ 275,000.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER GO BOND PRINC	\$ 597,000.00
UMB BANK NA	2015 SEWER GO BOND INT	\$ 6,680.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER GO BOND INT	\$ 16,141.81
UMB BANK NA	YMCA BOND PRINC	\$ 265,000.00
UMB BANK NA	YMCA BOND INT	\$ 65,600.00
TWIN-STATE ENG. & CHEM.	PRAMITOL, BUCCANEER	\$ 399.08
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELLULAR SERVICES	\$ 135.43
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER REV BOND BANK FEES	\$ 4,760.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER REV BOND PRINC	\$ 289,000.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER REV BOND INT	\$ 13,328.00
MENARDS	GAS LINE - REPAIR	\$ 29.88
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELLULAR SERVICES	\$ 38.47
ALPHA POS SVCS/SPOTON	COMM CTR P.O.S. SYSTEM	\$ 779.90
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	COBRA/JUNE 2026	\$ 863.47
DELTA DENTAL	COBRA/MAY 2026	\$ 71.36
NEES, RAY	PSF REIMB CHECK	\$ 17.43
SANDERS, HAILEY	PSF REIMB CHECK	\$ 291.66
PAYROLL 5/21/2026	PAYROLL 5/21/2026	\$ 108,557.63
	TOTAL PAYABLES & PAYROLL	\$ 1,655,672.80
	GENERAL FUND	\$ 96,763.77
	ROAD USE TAX	\$ 113.34
	DEBT SERVICE	\$ 1,230,802.41
	SEWER	\$ 324,837.20
	COMMUNITY CENTER	\$ 1,912.16
	SELF INSURED FUND	\$ 1,243.92
	TOTAL PAYABLES & PAYROLL	\$ 1,655,672.80