

City of Eldridge City Council Meeting Minutes

The City of Eldridge, Iowa, City Council met in open session at Eldridge Community Center at 7:00 pm on October 19, 2026.

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

Presiding: Mayor Scott Campbell

Also Present: Nevada Lemke, Jeff Martens, Tabitha Kramer, Chief Andrew Lellig, Sergeant Ryan Gale, Corporal Jack Schwertman, Corporal Tony Cavanaugh, SRO Garret Jahns, Allison Wright, Seth Porter, Marty O'Boyle, Judith Gilbert, Zach Howell, Roy Leonard, Kris Elmshaeuser, Delaney Hill, Natalie O'Flaherty, Erin Gentz, Kathy Kilen, Dan Kilen, and Dale Grunwald.

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

Police Chief Andrew Lellig introduced Executive Director of the Iowa Law Enforcement Accreditation Program, Mike Venema. Venema recognized the Eldridge Police Department's outstanding work and announced their accreditation through the Iowa Law Enforcement Accreditation Program.

Public Comment:

Resident Judith Gilbert expressed her concerns over a personal FOIA request, the estimated cost, and the recent request from Iowa American Water that a discussion presumably regarding the possible sale of the water department be added to the next utility board meeting.

Mayor's Agenda

Motioned by Blackwell approving the City Council Meeting Minutes from October 5, 2026. Seconded by LaPlante. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motioned by Ashcraft approving the Committee of the Whole Minutes from October 5, 2026. Seconded by Iossi. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Iossi approving the bills payable in the amount of \$526,685.55. Seconded by Ashcraft. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by LaPlante approving Liquor License for Pfohl Family Holdings, LLC DBA Rustic Ridge Golf Course. Seconded by Dockery. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Old Business

Motioned by Dockery to approve third and final reading of Ordinance #2026-13 Amending Swimming Pools. Second by Ashcraft. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: LaPlante, Dockery, Iossi, Blackwell, and Ashcraft.

New Business

City Administrator Lemke and Shive Hattery Engineer Zach Howell expanded on the Sheridan Meadows pond project and a grant funding opportunity. Motioned by Ashcraft to approve the design proposal from Shive Hattery for the Sheridan Meadows pond project. Seconded by Blackwell. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: Aye- LaPlante, Iossi, Blackwell, and Ashcraft. Nay – Dockery.

Motioned by Blackwell approving Resolution 2026-39 Supporting a Grant Application for the Sheridan Meadows Pond Project. Seconded by lossi. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: Aye- LaPlante, lossi, Blackwell, and Ashcraft. Nay – Dockery.

Motion by lossi accepting ownership of Farms at Elm Creek entrance out lots. Seconded by Ashcraft. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: LaPlante, Dockery, lossi, Blackwell, and Ashcraft. Dockery noted that the city reserves the right to remove the entrance out lots.

Board/Staff Activities

Mayor's Report-Mayor Campbell announced that the hiring committee for the fire chief has been created: Mitch Cunningham, an Eldridge resident with more than 27 years of fire experience, LeClaire Fire Chief Shane Bleeker, Councilman lossi, Police Chief Andrew Lellig, Trustee Chairman Shelie Kirby, and City Administrator Nevada Lemke.

City Administrator Report-Lemke reported that fire chief candidates will be interviewed later in the week. Interview materials are being finalized. Lemke responded to Councilman Dockery's question that the Eldridge Volunteer Fire Company did not respond to the invitation to include their own representative on the hiring committee.

Assistant City Administrator Report- Martens confirmed the date for a public hearing on January 4th with the Council. Councilman lossi responded he would be out of town but may be available by phone, and a quorum would be met.

Police Report- none.

Dockery made a public service announcement regarding free yard waste pickup for the next five Mondays. Blackwell encouraged residents to include any compostable items such as pumpkins, cornstalks and hay bales.

At 7:38pm, motion by LaPlante to go to Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)c "To discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation." Seconded by Blackwell. Motion carried on the following roll call vote: LaPlante, Dockery, lossi, Blackwell, and Ashcraft.

Council reconvened in an open session at 8:57pm.

Motion by Dockery to adjourn at 8:57pm. Seconded by Blackwell. Dockery noted that there was no binding action taken during the closed session. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Campbell
Mayor

Tabbitha Kramer
Deputy City Clerk

BILLS PAYABLE 10.19.26		
VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
ADP, INC	ADP ADMIN FEES OCT 2026	\$ 119.82
DELTA DENTAL	OCTOBER COBRA PREMIUM SCHNECKLOTH	\$ 71.36
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	OCTOBER COBRA PREMIUM SCHNECKLOTH	\$ 863.47

EBS	COBRA	\$ 126.81
EBS	COBRA	\$ 11.13
EBS	COBRA	\$ 56.75
EBS	COBRA	\$ 5.57
EBS	COBRA	\$ 15.51
EBS	COBRA	\$ 10.86
EBS	COBRA	\$ 13.33
EBS	COBRA	\$ 43.05
EBS	COBRA	\$ 11.13
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 4,061.88
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 56.73
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 1,244.27
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 567.21
EBS	PSF CLAIM FUNDING	\$ 6,860.03
A & A AIR COND & REFRIG	ICE MACHINE RENTAL	\$ 62.50
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	COPIER LEASE	\$ 106.62
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	COPIER LEASE	\$ 312.16
ACTIVE 911 INC	ALERTING SUBSCRIPTION	\$ 60.00
AIRGAS USA, LLC	CYLINDER RENT FOR CUTTING TORCHES	\$ 75.95
AIRGAS USA, LLC	YEAR TANK LEASE FOR WELDING GAS BTTLES	\$ 466.86
ALLIANT ENERGY CO.	ELECTRICITY	\$ 409.14
ALLIANT ENERGY CO.	ELECTRICITY	\$ 29.51
ALLIANT ENERGY CO.	ELECTRICITY	\$ 298.59
ALLIANT ENERGY CO.	ELECTRIC	\$ 1,091.79
ALLIED SERVICES LLC	RECYCLING AND RESIDENTIAL SERVICE	\$ 36,254.40
ALWAYS CLEAN LLC	OFFICE AND COMMONS CLEANING	\$ 300.00
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AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	ANTIFOAM FOR SPRAY TANKS	\$ 19.59
AMERICAN LEGAL	SEPT 2026 S-3 EDITING	\$ 201.51
BI-STATE REGIONAL COMM	MEMBER DUES 10.1.26-12.31.26	\$ 987.25
BOHNSACK & FROMMELT	PROGRESS BILLING FOR AUDIT 2026	\$ 12,750.00
BOHNSACK & FROMMELT	ACCOUNTING SERVICES	\$ 4,425.00
BURT ACQUISITIONS, LLC	CARWASH	\$ 180.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	GRAY MATS	\$ 133.98
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CINTAS FIRST AID & SAFETY	FIRST AID KIT REFILL	\$ 44.38
EASTERN IOWA PUBLICATN	HEARING NOTICE, MINUTES	\$ 558.26
FASTENAL COMPANY	PUMP HARDWARE	\$ 28.65
GRAINGER	UNIT 45 HD FOR FLOWER WATERING TRUCK	\$ 156.94
GRAINGER	SHOP BANDSAW COOLANT	\$ 52.15
GRAINGER	ENGNE BLCK HTR-SHRDN MDWS LFT STN/BTTMLK LFT	\$ 376.52
IA ASSN. MUNICIPAL UTIL.	SGEI OCT-DEC 2026 SAFETY TRAINING	\$ 1,514.27
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IHRIG WORKS, LLC	S. 25TH AVE & S 26TH AVE	\$ 252,785.18
JK INDUSTRIES	CITY LOGO ON SHIRTS	\$ 24.00
KIRBY WATER COND.	SPRING WATER PICKED UP	\$ 16.00
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC.	SHOP HARDWARE	\$ 64.97
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC.	SHOP GRINDING DISC/DRILL BITS	\$ 63.72
LINWOOD MINING/MINERAL	GRAVEL GOFL CRSE LFT STATION EASEMENT/LANE	\$ 652.62
LMT DEFENSE	DA 80% REBATE TIF LMT	\$ 75,916.80
MARTHA NIETO	CONSULTING SERVICES	\$ 525.00
MENARDS	TRCK 23 SPTLT, SHOP INSPCTN LIGHT, AERATR PVC	\$ 86.12

MENARDS	RV ANTIFREEZE SPRAYER WINTERIZING	\$ 50.40
MOBOTREX	STOP LIGHTBULBS	\$ 102.00
PANTHER UNIFORMS, INC.	BODY ARMOR CARRIER, RYAN	\$ 377.10
PANTHER UNIFORMS, INC.	BODY ARMOR CARRIER, JACK	\$ 377.10
PANTHER UNIFORMS, INC.	BODY ARMOR AND CARRIER, JACK, RYAN, ANDREW	\$ 1,317.50
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SHARED IT INC	IT SERVICES AND BACKUP	\$ 535.40
SHARED IT INC	IT SERVICES AND BACKUP	\$ 205.80
SHARED IT INC	IT SERVICES AND BACKUP	\$ 268.50
SHARED IT INC	IT SERVICES AND BACKUP	\$ 143.10
STAPLES	TRASH BAGS	\$ 63.75
STAPLES	PAPER, TP, PAPERTOWELS, LIGHT BULBS, STAPLER	\$ 259.88
STAPLES	STAPLER, TP, ENVELOPES	\$ 75.94
STAPLES	NAME PLATE	\$ 27.98
STAPLES	PENS, PAPER TOWELS, PAPER	\$ 146.34
STAPLES	PFLEX	\$ 32.34
STAPLES	POST ITS, DUSTER, LETTER OPNR	\$ 88.36
TAPCO SAFE TRAVEL	RADAR FEEDBACK SIGN-LICOLN RD	\$ 3,383.06
THE ARTCRAFT GROUP, INC.	HATS, CRAYON PACKS, BAGS, BIKE BOTTLE,	\$ 1,159.50
TITAN MACHINERY	UNIT 50 HYDRAULIC REPAIRS	\$ 510.20
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	PROFESS SERVICES-BANK REC	\$ 120.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	PROFESS SERVICES-PAYROLL	\$ 290.00
VEGA HOME OF VALUES	EQ BASIN TRANSDUCER	\$ 1,314.55
PAYROLL 10.8.26	PAYROLL 10.8.26	\$ 105,831.82
	TOTAL:	\$ 526,685.55
	GENERAL FUND	\$ 157,344.16
	COMMUNITY POLICING	\$ 1,159.50
	ROAD USE TAX	\$ 256,820.86
	TIF	\$ 75,916.80
	PARK BOARD	\$ 4,119.99
	SEWER	\$ 22,426.46
	COMMUNITY CENTER	\$ 1,091.79
	SELF-INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 7,805.99
	TOTAL PAYABLES & PAYROLL	\$ 526,685.55