

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 April 2, 2024, at Eldridge City Hall.

Board members present were Paula Steward, Jeff Hamilton, Barb O'Brien, and Craig Gehrls. Also, present: Jacob Rowe, Jody Coffman, Frank King, Nevada Lemke, Ryan Iossi, Scott Campbell, Mark Ridolfi, Collin Wilson, Tate Olson, and Ashley Lacey. Attorneys John Lande and Nichole Proesch from Dickerson, Bradshaw, Fowler & Hagen, P.C. attended via phone.

Public Comment – Tate Olson read a letter informing the board how the removal of the Utility Manager and Billing Clerk has affected his job and the jobs of the other linemen.

Mayor King read a letter letting the board know that the State Auditor is being consulted in this investigation, and if the board members stand in the way, they will have to take action.

Old Business –

The board was given some examples of orientations for a new hire. No action was taken, this was just informational.

Financial –

Motion by O'Brien to approve the bills payable for \$199,175.13. Second by Gehrls. All ayes.

Motion by Gehrls to table approving Resolution 2024-07 E&W until the next meeting, so they can get more information. Second by O'Brien. All Ayes.

Electric Department Update – Wilson stated that the overhangs have been corrected a 316 N 6th St and 601 S 2nd St will be worked on and the lines will be buried. Gabe Stricker has put in his 2 week notice, his last day will be April 9th.

Water Department Update – Regan replaced 3 valves at the Water Plant. The DNR did a recent sanitary survey and we have emailed them to get recommendations to make the corrections. They are also getting prepared for the Spring Flushing.

Motion by Gehrls to adjourn meeting at 5:22 p.m. Second by O'Brien. All ayes.

Ashley Lacey
Billing Clerk