

Meet the new City Administrator!

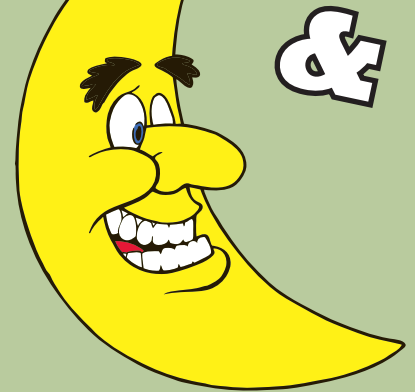
Nevada Lemke was raised in Northeast Iowa before moving to Illinois where she graduated from Morrison High School. She went on to obtain her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and later continued her education completing a Master's Degree in Business Administration and another Master's Degree in Education. In 2013, she and her husband John, along with their 8 children, moved to the Iowa Quad Cities region so John could attend Palmer College of Chiropractic. Nevada began her career in the public sector when she became employed by the City of Davenport in 2016 as an Administrative Assistant to the Mayor. She quickly found her passion for public service and advanced to a new role as a Management Analyst in the Community Planning & Economic Development Department. She continued in that role for several years which provided opportunities and experience to lead and assist on projects in all areas of local government. In 2021, Nevada accepted an offer to serve as the City Administrator for the City of



**Nevada
Lemke,
Eldridge City
Administrator**

Silvis, Illinois, a small city just across the Mississippi River where her husband owns and operates his Chiropractic Clinic. In her time with the City of Silvis, she completed a number of significant community projects, two of which were awarded 2022 Project of the Year Awards from the American Public Works Association. In May of 2023, she accepted the opportunity to continue her role as a City Administrator in a new community, and joined the City of Eldridge.

Moonlight Chase



Eldridge Summer Festival

July 7th & 8th marks the return of the Eldridge Summer Festival and the 38th Annual Moonlight Chase! Register in person for the Moonlight Chase & pick up your race packet Friday from 3-6 p.m., and stay for the Aqua-Tech Kiddie Parade and live music from Funktastic Five, downtown on 2nd street from 6-9 p.m. (sponsored by Al & Gerrys, Central Scott Telephone & Maloney's Pub). Saturday morning the fun kicks off with the annual Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at The Granary, Grand Haven's Sweet 16 Party, and the parade! This year's Grand Marshalls are Bill and Linda Tubbs! The summer festival starts immediately following the parade with a fun kid's area with petting zoo, lots of food vendors, a beer tent and so much more. All of the festivities lead up to the Moonlight Chase races on Saturday night: the Mel Foster Quarter Mile Kids Race at 7:30 p.m., the Scott County Animal Hospital's One Mile Youth Race at 8 p.m., and of course the four mile race through the streets of Eldridge at 9 p.m.! Remember to decorate your house if you're on the race route!

Eldridge Utilities needs your help

The Eldridge Electric and Water Utility is updating its records of water service lines. A service line is the connection between the water distribution pipes in the street and the water meter in your home or business. An updated citywide inventory is required under the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s recently revised Lead-Copper rule.

The Eldridge Electric and Water Utility is asking for help from residents and business owners to identify private service line material. Service line material is either galvanized steel, lead, or copper. You can perform some tests on the private side of your service line to determine the material. One test is the scratch test. By scratching the private side of your service line with a quarter, you will be able to determine the material. You can also perform the magnet test by attempting to stick a magnet to the line. Read on to find out how to conduct these tests.



Lead lines will be shiny when scratched with a quarter. A magnet **WILL NOT** stick to the pipe.



Galvanized steel lines will be dull gray in color when scratched with a quarter. A magnet **WILL** stick to the pipe.

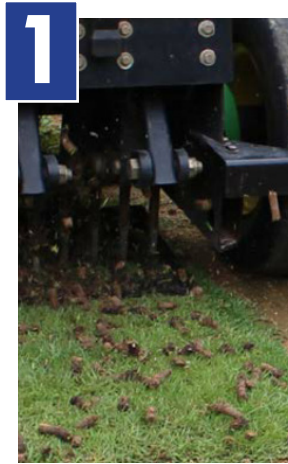


Copper pipes will be shiny and bronze in color when scratched with a quarter. A magnet **WILL NOT** stick to a copper pipe.

Please email your name, property address, phone number and type of service line material (lead, galvanized, copper or plastic) to alacey@cityofeldridgeia.org by July 1st.

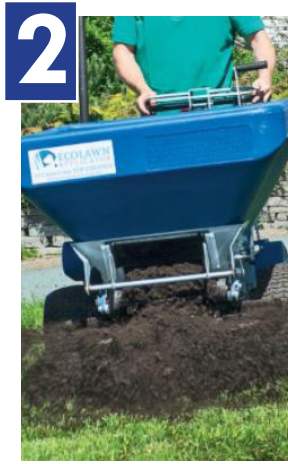
If you don't know, we are happy to help, call our staff at 563-285-4841 to set up a free inspection.

Soil Quality Restoration Program



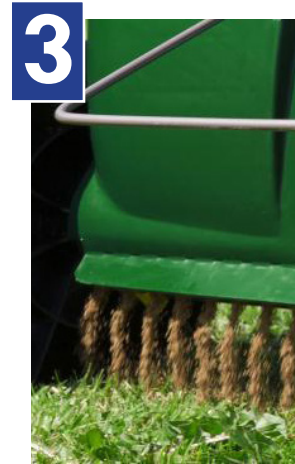
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Treat your lawn with deep-tine aeration. This practice decom-pacts your soils and opens up space for organic matter to move deeper into the soil profile.



2

Spread a minimum of 1/2 inch and maximum of 3/4 inch of compost on your aerated lawn. The rich organic matter will settle into the aerated soils to increase the organic content of your lawn.



3

Apply grass seed to the blanket of compost. The grass will quickly fill in, leaving you with a fuller, more beautiful lawn. (Seeding is not a reimbursable expense.)

Apply for a city grant! You may be eligible for a 50% match, up to a maximum of \$1,000, for your project.

This program is to improve the quality of storm water runoff and reduce the pollutants entering the City's storm sewer system and waterways through the use of best management practices (BMPs). The BMP chosen for this project is Soil Quality Restoration (SQR). This program started in 2022, and until all funds are expended, the City will be accepting applications for SQR. While funds are available, SQR projects are eligible for 50% funding up to a maximum match of \$1,000.

Only residential properties constructed prior to 2022 are eligible to participate in the program. The property owner is required to contract with a City accepted contractor for deep tine aeration and the application of a minimum of 1/2 inch to a maximum of 3/4 inch of compost.

The application of grass seed following the placement of compost is not eligible for reimbursement. Any costs associated with seeding will be fully at the expense of the property owner.

Applications will be processed within two weeks of submittal to the City of Eldridge.

Applications are available at city hall or at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/yc2pknm5>

Questions regarding this application should be directed to info@cityofeldridgeia.org or by calling (563) 285-4841.

Instructions for Application

1. Complete the application form. Include a description of the project and sketch or plans for the project.
2. Contact any of the following approved landscape contractors for quotes for SQR work.
 - a. Able Lawn & Landscape 563.424.0441 ablelawns@gmail.com
 - b. All Around Landscaping 563.324.6450 lexie@allaroundtownservices.com
 - c. Valley Outdoor 563.320.2772 valleyoutdoorllc@gmail.com
 - d. Wood Lawn Maintenance 563.210.4969 brianjwood@mchsi.com
3. Attach project cost estimates or quotes.
4. The application is required to be signed by all property owners where this project will occur. If the project is for a homeowner's association or condominiums, the application must be signed by a board member authorized by the association.
5. Return completed application and supporting documents to the Eldridge City Hall: Attn: SQR Project, 305 N 3rd St., PO Box 375, Eldridge, IA 52748 or info@cityofeldridgeia.org
6. You will be notified by email, or mail in the case of no email address. Work must be completed within 6 months of notification of award by the City to the applicant.
7. The completed contractor certification needs to be returned prior to inspection and reimbursement.

Conditions

1. The applicant is responsible for the payment of all expenses associated with the work. Upon submittal of paid receipts and successful field review, the City will reimburse the applicant within 30 days.
2. Implementation of an approved project is the sole responsibility of the property owner. The City is not liable for personal injury or property damage resulting from said work.
3. Projects approved for funding carry no implied warranty by the City. Implementation and maintenance are the responsibility of the property owner.
4. The property owner is responsible for any local, state or federal permits that may be required.
5. Involve your neighbors. If your neighbors are not a part of the project, at least keep them informed and seek input before doing the work. Drainage issues have been known to cause years of ill will between neighbors.
6. Projects must be completed within a six month period of the applicant receiving notification from the City that the project has been approved for funding.
7. Projects must use Method 8 of the Iowa Stormwater Manual (<http://www.iowastormwater.org/>). Only existing yards are eligible.
8. The property owner shall return the completed contractor certification form to the City when the project is completed to schedule a field review of the project. When the field review verifies the project has been successfully completed, the City will reimburse the property owner within thirty days.

Meet your Mayor and City Council Members



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Have you considered a rinseless wash?

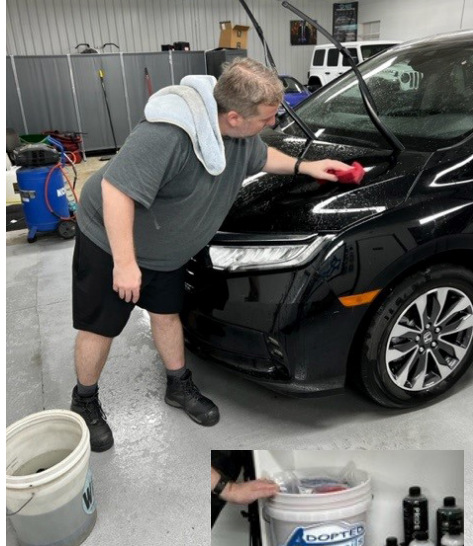
Local business owner Julius Shoemaker, of Adopted Details, has a way to revolutionize the way you wash your car that will prevent runoff and keep the city storm sewer system chemical free.

Shoemaker, a car detailer by trade, wants to share this knowledge with you free of charge. He will be hosting free demonstrations on Saturday, June 10 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at his business located at 650 E. Price Street.

He will be using an ecowash to clean vehicles using a single bucket of water, a sponge, and only one ounce of chemical cleaner per four gallons of water. The chemical is not harsh and safe to use. No need for a hose and gallons of extra water to rinse the vehicle afterward! He will also demonstrate a drying agent that can be sprayed on and quickly towed off. This process is safer for your vehicles paint than other washing and drying techniques.

All of this can be done in your garage at home, so the heat of the sun or a rainy day won't stop you from cleaning your car.

Shoemaker says this same process can be used on UTVs, golf carts, tractors and farm machinery. You can get professional level cleaning results at home and best of all you'll be saving our environment and keeping harmful chemicals out of our cities sewer systems.



Pictured above is Julius Shoemaker, owner of Adopted Details, demonstrating a rinseless car wash inside his shop. Left is a rinseless car kit.



Free Rinseless Wash Demo Saturday, June 10, 9-Noon at Adopted Details, 650 E. Price St., Eldridge

GO GREEN FOR SPRING AND \$AVE!



Did you know that more efficient appliances, LED lighting and heating and cooling can save you money on your utility bill each month? You could also receive a rebate when you purchase qualifying items. See this link for more details and an application:

<https://www.cityofeldridgeia.org/rebates>

Upcoming Events!

- 6/8/23 QC Pride Family Skate, free admission (QC Rollers volunteer)
- 6/15/23 Adult skate, 6-9
- 6/10/23 Derby Bout
- 7/1/23 Adult skate, 8-11
- 7/30/23 Adult Skate, 5-8



Eldridge Community Center & Skatepark!

Open Skates:

Friday Nights
6-10 p.m. \$9 Admission
Skate Rental \$2

Sundays
1-4 p.m. \$7 Admission
Skate Rental \$2

400 S. 16th Ave.

Eldridge, Iowa

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Meet your City Hall Staff



City Admin
Nevada Lemke



Building Official
Ray Nees



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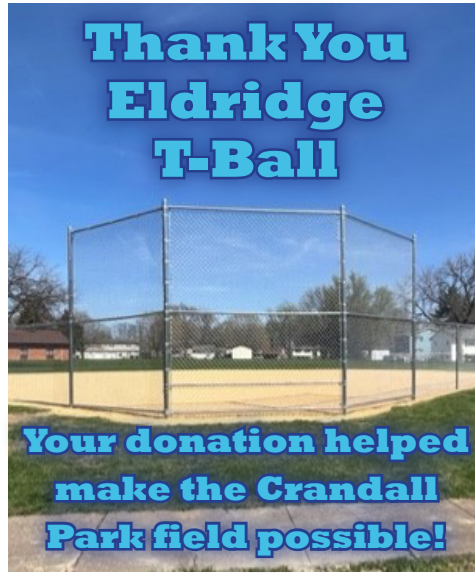
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Ashley Lacey



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