

# City of Eldridge City Council Meeting Minutes

The City of Eldridge, Iowa, City Council met in an open session at Eldridge Community Center at 7:00 pm on July 1, 2024.

Council Members Present: Dan Collins, Adrian Blackwell, Brian Dockery, Scott Campbell, and Ryan Iossi.

Presiding: Mayor Frank King

Also present: Martha Nieto, Nevada Lemke, Jeff Martens, Allison Wright, Ryan Gale, Mark Ridolfi, Ron Iossi, Ray Nees, Trevor Gimm,

Motion by Dockery to approve the agenda. Second by Blackwell. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor King read a statement about the ongoing criminal investigation with past employee Jacob Rowe.

Mayor King read a proclamation to implement the Skip the Plastic Campaign to start July 1, 2024.

## Public Comment

Ron Iossi suggested the council volunteer to participate in the dunk tank at Eldridge Summerfest

## Mayor's Agenda

Motion by Blackwell to approve City Council Minutes from June 17, 2024. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Dockery to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$198,973.83. Second by Iossi. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Dockery to approve the liquor license for Al & Gerrys Tap. Second by Campbell. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Dockery to approve the liquor license for Big Ten Mart #25. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Iossi to approve the liquor license for Big Ten Mart #27. Second by Dockery. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Iossi to approve the liquor license for the City of Eldridge, -Community Center contingent on verifying dates on the dram. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Dockery to approve a 5-day Liquor License for the City of Eldridge – Summerfest, effective July 12 – July 17, 2024. Second by Blackwell. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

#### Old Business

Motion by Dockery to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2024-09 Establishing a Speed Limit on Lincoln Road. Second by Campbell. Roll call vote indicated Blackwell (Aye) , Campbell (Aye) , Collins (Aye), Dockery (Aye), and Iossi (Aye)

Motion by Blackwell to approve the budgeted asphalt sealing project proposed by Gee Asphalt in the amount of \$21,553.04 . Second by Iossi. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

#### New Business

Motion by Blackwell to approve the First Reading of Ordinance 2024-10 Amending Title B of the Eldridge City Code adding Chapter 14 “Social Host”. Second by Campbell. Roll call vote indicated Blackwell (Aye) , Campbell (Aye) , Collins (Aye), Dockery (Aye), and Iossi (Aye)

Motion by Iossi to approve the First Reading of Ordinance 2024-11 Amending Title A, Chapter 2 of the Eldridge City Code adding Section 3.02 (F) Repeat Offenders. Second by Collins. Roll call vote indicated Blackwell (Aye) , Campbell (Aye) , Collins (Aye), Dockery (Aye), and Iossi (Aye)

Motion by Collins to approve Resolution 2024-20 Approving Final Acceptance of Public Improvements for Grunwald Grove 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition . Second by Campbell. Roll call vote indicated Blackwell (Aye), Campbell (Aye), Collins (Aye), Dockery (Aye), and Iossi (Aye).

Motion by Campbell to approve the proposal from Shared IT for Managed IT Services & Security for a one-time project cost of \$2,350 and monthly service fees of \$2,558. Second by Dockery. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

#### Board/Staff Activity Reports

City Administrator- Lemke will be out of the office July 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>.

Assistant City Administrator – Martens has a solar ordinance that he is working on and will be presenting soon.

City Clerk – Nieto found out last week that the Electric Utility is not tax-exempt and we need to pay sales tax on that.

Police – The two new officers have successfully completed their FTO and are on their own, Hailey is halfway through training, the police department purchased the air purifier and within 2 hours they could tell the difference, the police department put on the school shooting training on 6/25, many

agencies were involved, a lot of good learning, and a now have a baseline to build on. They will be prepping for the Moonlight Chase and Summerfest.

Building Inspector – Ivy acres is going great, there was an issue with the dead ends, but they will be putting turnarounds in. A lot of small projects are happening, but everything is smooth and quiet.

Motion by Blackwell to adjourn into 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” . Second by Iossi. Roll call vote indicated Blackwell (Aye), Campbell (Aye), Collins (Aye), Dockery (Aye), and Iossi (Aye).

The council re-entered the open Session at 8:31 p.m.

Motion by Campbell to approve the global settlement in the Poole matter for \$1.025 million, the city’s portion was \$550,000 and on behalf of Joseph Sisler \$475,000, which the majority of the funds being paid by the insurance provider with a deductible of \$2,500. Second by Dockery. Roll call vote indicated Blackwell (Aye), Campbell (Aye), Collins (Aye), Dockery (Aye), and Iossi (Aye).

Motion by Dockery to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 pm. Second by Collins. Motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.