

# CITY OF EARLY

## City Council News

August 2019

### City Information

Sharon Irwin, Mayor

#### Council

Mary Ann Brinkman  
Bill Cougill  
Melissa Freese  
Doug Gulley  
Brian Pickhinke

Council meeting- 1st Tuesday

Tammy Nuckolls, Clerk  
Georgia Flanigan, Assist. Clerk  
Kris Alesch, Supt. D.P.W.  
William Cougill, Fire Chief

#### Library Board

Julie Carlson  
Cory Faist  
Julie Wadsley  
Sue Loggins  
Becki Petersen  
Library Board meeting 4th  
Tuesday.  
Delta Gulley, Library Director

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### City Office Hours

**Monday** 7am - 12pm

**Tuesday** 7am - 12pm  
1pm - 6pm

**Wednesday** 7am - 12pm  
1pm - 4pm

**Thursday** - 7am - 12pm

**Friday** - CLOSED

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 6th of August 2019. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a roll call as follows: Present: Bill Cougill, Mary Ann Brinkman and Brian Pickhinke. Absent: Melissa Freese and Doug Gulley. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Cougill to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, bills for payment and Casey's Liquor license pending fire inspection. Ayes: Cougill, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Gulley and Freese. Motion carried. Resolution 19-19 Transfer of Uncollectible Utility Account to Bad Debt was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Brinkman, and Cougill. Nays: None. Absent: Gulley and Freese. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 19-20 Authorizing the City Clerk to Certify to the County For Collection on Unpaid Water and Associated Fee (Sewer, Garbage Fees) was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Cougill. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Cougill, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Gulley and Freese. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted. Resolution 19-21 Regional XII Council of Government Planning and Assistance Contract was offered by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Cougill. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Brinkman, Cougill and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Freese and Gulley. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman approving building permit #753. Ayes: Cougill, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Freese and Gulley. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman approving building permit #754. Ayes Brinkman, Pickhinke and Cougill. Nays: None. Absent Gulley and Freese. Motion carried.

Source Water Protection Plan was reviewed. Continue running cameras in sewer system infrastructure and conduct smoke blowing in sewer system. Newsletter item to encourage proper handling and disposal of household hazardous materials.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm due to lack of quorum as Councilors Cougill and Pickhinke responded to EMT and responders call.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

ATTEST: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

### MAYOR'S NOTES

A large portion of the city council meeting was taken up with discussion concerning the water project. There has been a new development in the past month. The City of Sac City and Iowa Lakes Rural Water would be interested in providing the City with water. The Council decided that they want to slow down and get more information about this possibility. Next month Iowa Lakes Rural Water and Sac City will have more information on water analysis and cost analysis on this possibility. There are many things to consider and get worked out on this possibility before a final decision is made on which route to take for the water.

The meeting was cut short when two of the council had to leave for an emergency call for the first responders and EMT's.

Nomination papers can be filed from August 26-September 16 for the municipal election to be held in November. Papers can be obtained at the City Clerk's office or from the County Auditor's office. My position as mayor and 2 council positions will be up for election (re-election). Mary Ann Brinkman and Doug Gulley's seats are up for election this fall. They have both indicated that they will not seek re-election so there will be two vacancies to be filled. After much prayer and consideration and the large water project coming up, I have decided to run for another term as mayor.

It was with great sadness, that we have received the resignation of City Clerk, Tammy Nuckolls, effective in January.

School is again starting, please be careful for children in the mornings and afternoons on their way to and from school.

Sharon Ann Irwin

## Early Public Library News

### September Story Time

September 4: My Grandparents Love Me

September 18: Bicycle Bear Rides Again

September 25: Today I Feel Silly

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Sac County Conservation & Monarch  
Butterflies on September 10 @4:30

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### Donate a Tree

A silent auction will be held for  
donated decorated  
Christmas trees.

All proceeds will benefit future  
Christmas  
Celebrations.

Contact Early Public Library for  
more information.



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Join Friends of the Library,  
Informational meeting will  
be September 24th @5pm

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### Essential Oils

September 19 @5:30

City Elections will be on Tuesday, November 6th this year. The office of mayor and two council seats are up for election. Give consideration to the possibility of running for mayor or city council. Nomination papers are available from the City Clerk. Papers must be filed with City Clerk by 5PM, Thursday, September 19th.

There is currently a position open on the Planning and Zoning Committee. Anyone interested in serving please contact City Hall.

Please consider a donation for new Christmas decorations for The City of Early. The existing decorations are 30+ years old and continue to break. To receive new lights by the holidays an order must be placed by the first part of September. Any amount is greatly appreciated.



Drop off your donations at City Hall. **Thank you!**

### Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Items Accepted at Sac County Transfer/Recycle Station from Sac County Residents

**Cleaning Products:** bleach, drain cleaners, floor polish, furniture polish, oven cleaners, rug and upholstery cleaners, rust removers, spot removers

**Fluorescent Light Tubes and Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs**

**Automotive Products:** antifreeze, brake fluid, cleaners, degreasers, fuels, motor oil, oil filters, waxes, windshield washer fluid

**Cooking Oil:** (though not hazardous, this can be re-used)

**Household Pesticides:** weed killers, bug killers, fungicides

**Paint:** latex and oil, spray paint, stains

**Rechargeable batteries of all types**

**You can take these items to the landfill any time that it is open. Any of the above listed materials should NOT go in with your garbage.**

**The following tips will make your visit to the Sac County Household Hazardous Waste Facility more efficient:**

Leave materials in their original containers.

Be prepared to show your driver's license.

Be prepared to complete a short questionnaire concerning the products you are bringing to the Collection Center.

Any unlabeled items will be accepted but an additional questionnaire may be required.

Sac County Solid Waste Agency

**Parking Reminder:** When parking vehicles on the street, please park on the side of the street that is going with the traffic and not against.

### ***FOCUS NEWS***

AUGUST YARD OF THE MONTH  
JAY & PENNIE IRWIN  
202 Linden Lane  
Check it out  
Congratulations!



Look for information regarding  
Light Up The Town in upcoming Newsletters.