

# CITY OF EARLY

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## City Information

Sharon Irwin, Mayor

### Council

Mary Ann Brinkman  
Bill Cougill  
Vince Davis  
Brian Pickhinke  
Melissa Freese

Council meeting-1st Tuesday

Tammy Nuckolls, Clerk  
Ray Musselman, Supt. D.P.W.  
Nick Schumacher, Fire Chief

### Library Board

Mary Bruns  
Cory Faist  
Mary Feilmeier  
Sue Loggins  
Amy Schumacher  
Library Board meeting 4th  
Tuesday.  
Cindy Garthoff, Library  
Director

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## City Office Hours

Monday - Thursday  
7:00 am - 12:00 pm  
1:00 pm - 4:00pm

**Closed**  
**Dec. 24th, & 25th**

## City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 2nd day of December 2014. 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: Mary Ann Brinkman, Melissa Freese and Brian Pickhinke. Absent: Vincent Davis and William Cougill. A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Brinkman, Pickhinke and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill.

Sheriff McClure was present to give a monthly report.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to increase DPW Supt. and City Clerk's wages by \$.60 per hour effective January 1, 2015. Ayes: Brinkman, Pickhinke, and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill and Davis. City Council instructed the City Clerk to prepare a wage resolution to be present at next regular meeting.

A Motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Freese to approve 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an Ordinance amending the code of Ordinances of the city of Early, Iowa, to add provisions pertaining to vapor products and alternative nicotine products. On roll call Ayes: Freese, Pickhinke, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading will be at next regular council meeting the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015.

City Council discussed Home Town Pride program that was approved last month and will be asking a volunteer to serve on the steering committee.

A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Brinkman Authorizing the Superintendent D.P.W. to purchase Christmas lights and decorate the evergreen on Main St. downtown. Ayes: Pickhinke, Brinkman, Freese, Nays: None. Absent: Cougill and Davis.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman Authorizing Raymond Musselman, D.P.W. Supt. to hire a part-time Maintenance Worker I. Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill and Davis.

Mayor, Supt. D.P.W. and City Clerk gave monthly reports.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Attest: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk



## A Message from the Mayor,

There is not a lot to report this month from the City Council meeting. It was pretty uneventful.

It is good to see quite a few houses already decorated and lit up for Christmas. The F.O.C.U.S. group is going to have a hard time judging. It is a good thing that there will be a number of winners leading up to Christmas. Don't forget that Santa is coming to the Early Public Library on Saturday, December 13 from 9:00-10:30 AM.

The WENS notification system is taking a little longer than originally anticipated because almost all of the counties in Iowa signed up about the same time and it is taking longer to get everything set up for everyone. More information will be forthcoming.

I want to thank some citizens in Early who suggested the possibility of lighting the evergreen tree on Heartland Marketing Group's property. I want to especially thank Heartland Marketing Group (Barb Determan in particular) for allowing the City to put lights on that tree. Many of the older citizens in town probably still remember when there was a Christmas tree in the middle of the intersection of Main and Second Street each year. It was something that was always looked forward to having. Another year is almost over. Celebrate safely. I want to wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and New Year!

*Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor*

# Library News

Hello Everyone! It's the Holiday Season, I hope everyone is enjoying the mild weather. I for one would like to see some snow! This is the last letter of the year, I think this year went by way too fast!

**New Movies available for checkout: Dolphin Tale, Ma & Pa Kettle, Rio, New To The Crew(Bob the Builder), Mr. Poppers Penguins, Open Season 1, 2, &3; Grown Ups 2, The Lucky One; Crazy, Stupid, Love!**

**Our Christmas Party is Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> 9:30am to 10:30am.** Please bring your kids to see Santa Claus and they will receive a goodie bag and a free book. We will also have cookies and bars with some hot chocolate! The Early Public Library and F.O.C.U.S committee will be sponsoring this party.

I will be having a **craft/vendor show on March 7<sup>th</sup>** in conjunction with the **F.O.C.U.S Steak Fry from 5pm to 8pm!** Space is limited and filling up fast, so give me a call if you would like to have a table. The fee is \$20 per table. Come out and enjoy this community event. I will have a list of vendors in the near future!

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Early Public Library!

God Bless,

Cindy Garthoff, Library Director



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## CELEBRATING THE BIRTHDAY OF A KING



### The Crooners' Christmas Concert

**Sunday ★ December 21 ★ 1:30 pm**  
**Faith Lutheran Church ★ Early**  
 202 E 6<sup>th</sup> Street

*Refreshments served following performance*  
*Free will offering*

## Future Events

- 12/21 - Crooner's Concert @1:30 pm
- 12/24 - Christmas Eve - City Offices Closed
- 12/25 - Christmas Day - City Offices Closed
- 01/01 - New Years - City Offices Closed
- 01/06 - City Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm



## NOTICE:

All Dogs and Cats Must be Registered with the City Clerk during The Month of January

### Pet Registration Form 2015

New Application  Renewal  Cat  Dog

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

SS # \_\_\_\_\_ Owner's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Pet \_\_\_\_\_ Breed of Pet \_\_\_\_\_

Dog/ Cat's Sex \_\_\_ Male or \_\_\_ Female Neutered or spayed \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Color and description of Pet \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of Vaccination attached \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

Fee enclosed \_\_\_ Check \_\_\_ Cash \* Fee is \$10.00 for spayed or neutered animal (after March 1,2015 \$20.00) \$ 20.00 for unchanged animal ( after March 1,2015 \$30.00

**All dogs/cats must be registered to a person 18 years old or older.**

*Addition Registration Form Available at the City Clerk's Office, Library and at the City Website [www.earlyia.com](http://www.earlyia.com)*

**FOR OFFICE USE:** Tag \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rabies Expiration \_\_\_\_\_ Amount of Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_ Check \_\_\_ NO. \_\_\_\_\_