

CITY OF EARLY

December 2016

City Information

Sharon Irwin, Mayor

Council

Mary Ann Brinkman
Bill Cougill
Melissa Freese
Doug Gulley
Brian Pickhinke

Council meeting- 1st Tuesday

Tammy Nuckolls, Clerk
Ray Musselman, Supt. D.P.W.
William Cougill, Fire Chief

Library Board

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

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City Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday
7:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tuesday
7:00 am - 12:00 pm
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Friday
Closed

City Council News

A Public Hearing was held at 7:00 PM in the council chambers at which time any citizen of Early, Iowa or any other person having interest in the proposed Designation of the Early Revitalization Area 2016 and The Adoption of a Plan for Such Revitalization Area as published in the Chronicle on November 24, 2016 may appear and be heard for or against the adoption of the proposed Early Revitalization Area or any part thereof. One resident was present. No residents or taxpayers were either for or against said Urban Revitalization proposed. Hearing was closed.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 6th day of December, 2016. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with a roll call as follows: Present: Brian Pickhinke, Doug Gulley, William Cougill, and Mary Ann Brinkman. Absent: Melissa Freese. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Gulley, Cougill, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Freese. Motion carried.

City Council discussed a citizen complaint regarding a high water bill due to a leak no action was taken. City Council also discussed a complaint from a resident that received a parking warning for parking on the street during the snow ban no action was taken.

A motion was made by Pickhinke and seconded by Brinkman to table the Resolution Setting the Salaries for Appointed Officers and Employees of the City of Early for the Year 2017 due to lack of quorum. Ayes: Gulley, Cougill, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Freese. Motion carried.

Resolution 16-29 – Authorization to change Health insurance plans for 2017 was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On roll call vote. Ayes: Gulley, Pickhinke, Cougill, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Freese. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto and by the reference made a part thereof.

Resolution 16-30 – Authorizing the City Clerk of the City of Early to Certify Certain Unpaid Utility Rates or Charges to the County Treasurer was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Gulley. On roll call vote. Ayes: Cougill, Gulley, Pickhinke, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Freese. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto and by the reference made a part thereof.

Resolution 16-31 – Stating the Intentions of the City Council with Regard to the Designation of the Early Revitalization Area 2016 and the Proposed Plan Therefor was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Gulley. On a roll call vote: Brinkman, Cougill, Gulley, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Freese. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto and by the reference made a part thereof.

A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Gulley to repair the building in the cemetery for the estimated cost of 2710.48. Ayes: Brinkman, Gulley, Cougill, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Freese. Motion carried.

Public Works, Mayor and City Clerk gave reports. Sheriff's written report was available for review. A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Cougill to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor
ATTEST: Tamara Nuckolls

FOCUS News

Congratulations to all the Holiday Home of the Week Winners:

November 27th- Holiday Home of the Week goes to Scott Corrin Located at 104 West Main Street

December 4th- Holiday home of the week goes to Mike & Eve Luy Locate at 312 N. Main St.

December 11th - Holiday home of the week goes to Antoinette McAleer 2310 Karr Ave.

December 18 -Holiday home of the week goes to Marlin and Elizabeth Machloch located at 105 W South Ave.

Early FOCUS thanks everyone for your participation in the light up the town event

A Message from the Mayor,

The City Council held a hearing in their December meeting concerning Urban Revitalization for the Community. The city has had this in the past and it had an expiration date on it; therefore, we are now redoing that ordinance. The Urban Revitalization program for Early covers the entire community. If you are going to do an addition or improvement on your property, be sure to ask about filing for the tax abatement at the time you apply for your building permit.

Applications for home improvements through the Housing Rehab Grant are being reviewed by the Region XII Council of Governments. Four applications will be selected through the criteria that are set forth by the program to receive funding for upgrades on their property. The City wishes that we could help even more people but this is the grant funding that we have received at this time. The City may very well apply for this program again in the future to help more homeowners.

Another year is rapidly coming to a close and it looks as though winter is arriving in earnest with cold temperatures and the threat of snow. The town looks very festive with all of the Christmas lights. If you haven't done so, you need to drive around town in the evening and see all the decorations. Thank you to everyone for participating in Light up the Town..

The Roger Feilmeier Family has given a generous memorial to the Early Fire and Rescue. Because of this generous memorial gift, the fire department has been able to replace half of their old radios. A sincere word of sympathy at your loss and a big thank you for your memorial gift to the Early Fire and Rescue.

I would like to thank Cindy Garthoff for serving as our librarian these past years. We wish her well in her new job at King's Pointe. We welcome Delta Gully as our new librarian.

I want to wish all of you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Early Community Blood Drive

Friday, December 30, 2016

2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Sacred Heart Parish Center Bloodmobile
501 Church Street



Schedule a blood donation appointment today!
@ www.lifeservebloodcenter.org or contact
Delta Gulley at 712-660-2658

LIBRARY NEWS

Hello Everyone!

This is my last newsletter for the library. My last day is Wed. Dec. 14th. I have enjoyed my time in library and will miss everyone. But, I'm leaving you in good hands. Delta Gulley will be the new Library Director. So stop in and give her a warm welcome!

We had our annual Christmas Party Dec. 10 from 9:30am to 11am. Santa was here and gave each child a goodie bag filled with lots of fun things and good eats. The Early Public Library gave each child a free book. We also had hot chocolate and lots of cookies and bars to eat.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Craft and Vendor Show in March
Blind Date With a Book in February

I hope everyone has a safe and blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

Cindy Garthoff, Library Director

FOCUS is selling Early T-Shirts to raise funds for the 2017 Crossroads Day

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Questions? Contact :
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Design will be printed in yellow ink on a Charcoal colored Gildan 100% preshrunk cotton t-shirt.

Item/Style	YS	YM	YL	YXL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	ADD \$2					Price	Total
									A2XL	A3XL	A4XL	A5XL			
Charcoal T-shirt													\$15		

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