CITY OF EARLY

February 2017

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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> Friday Closed

City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 7th day of February, 2017. 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: Doug Gulley, William Cougill, Melissa Freese and Mary Ann Brinkman. Absent: Brian Pickhinke.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Freese to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, approval of a fire department officers: William Cougill – Fire Chief, Jay Nehring – Assistant Chief, and Lucas Carlson – Secretary. Approval of Sac County Pheasants Forever one day liquor license pending Iowa ABD approval, and bills for payment. Ayes: Gulley, Cougill, Brinkman, and Freese. Nays: None Absent: Pickhinke. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Bill Cougill gave the fire department's annual report to the township trustees and the budget and future needs were discussed.

FY18 City Budget was reviewed a motion by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Council Freese setting March 7st, 2017 at 7:00 pm as public hearing date for the budget. Ayes: Freese, Gulley, Cougill, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Pickhinke. Motion carried.

Resolution 17-03 – Approval of the Transfer of funds from the Debt Service Fund to the Water Sinking Fund and Sewer Sinking Fund to pay for the City's Revenue bonds was offered by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Brinkman, Cougill, Gulley, and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Pickhinke. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 17-04 – Approval of a monthly transfer of funds from the Water Utility Fund and Sewer Utility Fund to the Water and Sewer Sinking Fund to pay for the FY 2017 SRF Loan was offered by Brinkman and seconded by Gulley. On a roll call vote Brinkman, Freese, Gulley, and Cougill. Nays: None. Absent: Pickhinke. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted. Resolution.

17-05 – Finally Adopting the Proposed Plan for the Early Revitalization Area 2016 was offered by Councilor Freese and seconded by Cougill. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Cougill, Gulley, Freese, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Pickhinke. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Ordinance No. 307 – Designating an Area of Early, Iowa as the Early Revitalization Area 2016 was offered by Councilor Gulley and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Gulley, Brinkman, Cougill, and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Pickhinke. 1st reading was approved. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to waive 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 307 and pass on 1st reading. Ayes: Brinkman, Freese, Gulley, and Cougill. Nays: None. Absent: Pickhinke. Whereupon said ordinance was duly adopted.

City Clerk, Mayor, Fire Department, SETD, Sheriff and Supt. D.P.W gave reports.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Cougill to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

ATTEST: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

A Message from the Mayor,

After nearly a year of work and changes and hearing, the City has finally completed the renewal of the Urban Revitalization Plan for the City. This plan allows anyone who is going to make substantial improvements to their property to apply for a tax credit on those improvements. This improvement is spread over several years so your property taxes go up gradually. This application needs to be made along with your application for the building permit, before not after the fact.

The Council approved the continuation of a plan to install an aeration system in the water tower. This is costing more than originally expected but will help to keep the water fresher.

Tipping fees and per capita fees will be going up for the Solid Waste Agency the first of July. These fees are to help pay for the closing of the landfill and payments into the post closure fund set by the DNR, plus paying for the transfer station. Fees for tires, electronics and fluorescent bulbs will also be increasing minimally. Those fees have not been changed for many, many years.

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