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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 - Friday
 7:00 am - 12:00 pm

City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 7th day of January 2014. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows: Present: Melissa Freese, Brian Pickhinke, and Mary Ann Brinkman. Absent: William Cougill and Vince Davis. A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to approve the consent agenda including: approving new members of the fire department Casandra Crum, Regina Wolf and Sarah Krog, agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Pickhinke, Freese, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill and Davis

Mike Bailey, Jenny Bailey and Crystal Cudaback representing the FOCUS Committee addressed the City Council requesting to hold a car show and burn out contest during the Early Crossroads Day. The City Council instructed the City Clerk to look in to the insurance liability and Mr. Bailey and Councilor Pickhinke will check on other details of such a contest and will discuss it at the next regular Council meeting.

Councilor Davis arrived at 7:15 pm. Michael

Tuggle addressed the City Council regarding a letter he received from the City about a fence that he recently built on his property. The City Council instructed the Street Supt. to inspect the fence and insure that it is built on Mr. Tuggle's property line and does not encroach onto the adjacent property.

Resolution 14-01 Reappointment of City Attorney for Fiscal Years 2014 and 2015 offered by Councilor Davis and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Pickhinke, Davis and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 14-02 Approving the Transfer of Funds from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund to the Economic Development Program Fund was offered by Councilor Davis and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Davis, Pickhinke and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

A motion was made by Councilor Freese and Seconded by Councilor Pickhinke approving Sackett Sceptic Service using the City Lagoon for dumping of septic waste at 50.00 per time. Ayes: Davis, Freese, Brinkman and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to replace the door on the concession stand and the two restrooms located at the City Ball Field at an estimated cost of \$1838.00. Ayes: Brinkman, Davis, Freese, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill.

A motion was made by Councilor Davis and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to reimburse Darwin Schmidt the cost of clothing that were ruined when a diesel hose broke in the amount of \$107.98. Ayes: Davis, Brinkman, Pickhinke, and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke approving Alarm Permit for 2014. Ayes: Brinkman, Freese, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Abstain: Davis. Absent: Cougill.

Resolution 14-03 Setting the Salaries for Appointed Officers and Employees for the City of Early For The Year 2014 offered by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Davis on roll call vote Ayes: Brinkman, Freese, Pickhinke and Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill. 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 Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke approving Payment No. 1 to Schmitt Construction in the amount of \$25,005.50 for the Deredict Building project located at 102 South Main. Ayes: Brinkman, Davis, Pickhinke and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill.

The Mayor, Supt. D.P.W. and City Clerk/Treasurer gave monthly reports. Sac County Sheriff and Early Fire Departments written reports were reviewed.

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

Pet Registration

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

Registration forms are available at the City Office, Library or on the City website www.earlyia.com

\$10.00 for spayed or neutered animal (after March 1, 2014 \$20.00)

\$ 20.00 for unchanged animal (after March 1, 2014 \$30.00)

MAYOR'S NOTES

I hope that everyone had a good and safe New Year. Early managed to survive the bitterly cold weekend without any broken mains to date. There have been a few frozen water meters at residences, though. With so little snow cover and the dry weather that we had the frost has gone down a long way. Be sure to protect your water lines and meter.

The City has court dates for two more properties this month. If the City receives the court orders that the properties can be cleaned up, it will probably be a while before this is completed because of the additional cost of finishing the clean-up of the old lumber store building. Doesn't it look much better where the old lumber store used to stand? It will probably be spring before it is completed now but it looks a lot better than it did just a month ago.

F.O.C.U.S. continues to make plans for a bigger and better Crossroads Day this summer. Don't forget about the Steak Fry that will be held in March. Make plans to attend this good meal.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Future Events

01/28 - Library Board Meeting @ 6pm
02/02 - Groundhog Day
02/03 - FOCUS Meeting @ 6:30 pm
02/04 - City Comp Planning Meeting @6pm
02/04 - City Council Meeting @7pm

F.O.C.U.S News

January 5, 2014 the Early FOCUS group met in continuation of planning of our annual steak fry which will be held on Saturday March 15 from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. We are selling tickets ahead of time for \$12.00.

There will also be a craft show in the library that day from 3:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Contact Cindy at the Library for tickets and if interested in being a vendor. We will be serving your choice of rib-eye or chicken breasts, baked potato, lettuce salad, garlic bread, bar and drink. We also discussed Early's Crossroads Day which will be held on Saturday, July 19, 2014.

Come to our next meeting which will be Monday, February 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at the Library. Bring your ideas in helping our day to be a success!!!

Library News

Happy New Year Everyone!! .

Are you interested in learning more about computers? With the recent grant we received for new computers we will also have laptops available for certain activities and classes. In the near future we will be having an Adult computer class. So, be looking for more details regarding this.



March 15 we will be having a craft show here in the library from 3pm-8pm. This will be in conjunction with the F.O.C.U.S Steak fry here in the basement of the Library from 5:30pm to 8pm. I am still looking for vendors to participate. The table charge will be \$20. If you would like to be a vendor or know someone who would like to be, call Cindy at 273-5334. As soon as I have a list of vendors I will include them in the next newsletter. Please come out and support the library & the F.O.C.U.S steak fry!

I will be providing Daycare kits to the local Daycares. These kits will include a movie, books, and coloring pages. I realize how hard it is to get kids all bundled up to get them to the library, so I will bring the library to them. These will be provided once a month.

Volunteering at the Library: Library volunteers play an important role as partners in the Library. Anyone from the age of 14 to 94 is encouraged to volunteer, by sharing your time with us, you can make a big difference in the quality of library service in this community. You don't need any library experience! There is always a need for help including sorting, shelving, assisting with special parties, mending books, and much, much more!! This is a great way to serve your community. Volunteer at the library in many different ways depending on its needs and gain valuable experience for great recommendations for your school and job applications. Please let me know if you would be interested in volunteering at the Early Public Library!

That's all I have for this time, but be looking for more upcoming activities here at the library. Stay warm and have a great 2014.

Cindy Garthoff, Library Director

Annual Steak Fry

MARCH 15 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Advance Tickets	\$12.00
At the Door	\$15.00

*Tickets will be available at the
Early Public Library, Crossroads
Restaurant and Shear
Attractions*

