

# 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 6/22 - 6/26**

## City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 2nd day of June 2015. 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 Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, approval of Casey's Cigarette Permit, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Brinkman, Pickhinke, Cougill, and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill.

A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke approving building permits No. 716. Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, Cougill and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Freese approving Weeds on Fire to contract mosquito control at a rate of \$1.00 per minute. Ayes: Brinkman, Freese, Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill and Davis.

A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke approving Schmitt Contracting to repair shop building. Ayes: Brinkman, Freese and Pickhinke. Nays: none. Absent: Cougill and Davis.

City Council review two Engineering proposal for Early Street project planning a motion by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Brinkman to approve Bolton & Menk, Inc. as planning engineer for the Early Street Project. Ayes: Freese, Pickhinke and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Freese to begin advertising to hire a maintenance worker II. Application deadline will be September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. Ayes: Pickhinke, Freese, Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill and Davis.

Resolution 15-06 Amending Resolution 15-01 offered by Councilor Brinkman and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 15-07 Adopting Revisions to the Personnel Policies Handbook offered by Councilor Pickhinke and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and 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.

Resolution 15-08 Adopting Final Assessment Schedule for the Nuisance Abatement in the year 2015 and confirming and Levying the Assessments offered by Councilor Pickhinke and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 15-09 Adopting Seatbelt / Restraint Policy offered by Councilor Brinkman and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 15-10 Approving Iowa Department of Transportation Sign Replacement Program for Cities offered by Councilor Pickhinke and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 15-11 Approving the Reappointment of City Attorney for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017 offered by Councilor Brinkman and Seconded by Councilor Pickhinke. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 15-12 Approving Transfer of Funds from the Emergency Fund to the General Fund offered by Councilor Pickhinke and Seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 15-13 Approving Transfer of Funds from the Water and Sewer Department to the General Fund for Use of the City Truck offered by Councilor Brinkman and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 15-14 Approving Transfer of Funds from the Water and Sewer Department to the Debt Service Fund to pay for FY 2016 SRF Loan offered by Councilor Brinkman and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Davis and Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

City Council reviewed all nuisance abatements and the action taken.

A motion was by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to have Heartland Marketing Group upgrade coding the cities website to be user friendly for mobile devices and tablets. Ayes: Freese, Pickhinke, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill and Davis.

Supt. D.P.W., Mayor, and City Clerk gave monthly reports. Sheriff's monthly written report was reviewed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:08pm on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Attest: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

## PLEASE JOIN US!

**Early 4-H Achievers will be receiving the Governors' Award for their exceptional commitment to the Early community.**

**Ceremony will be held on at BVU Anderson Auditorium on June 19th at 10 am.**

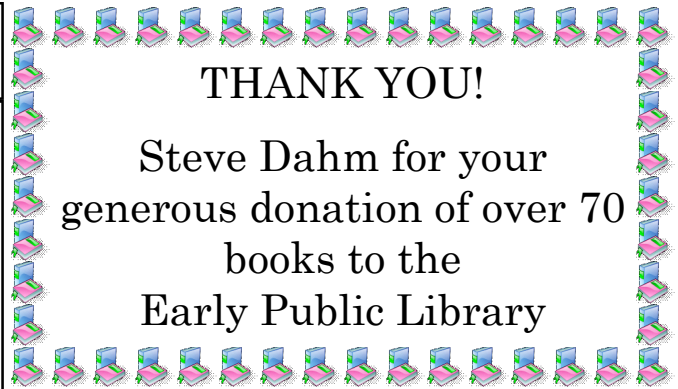
# EARLY FOCUS NEWS

**CAN DONATION DROP HAS MOVED A CROSS THE STREET SOUTH OF CROSSROADS RESTAURANT**

**JULY 17-18 2015 EARLY CROSSROADS DAYS**

Featuring the DJ Cotton Creek Entertainment, Band "No Were Fast", 5k, Bike Ride, Baby Contest, Big Parade, Craft Fair, Car Show, Volleyball, Water Fights, Lunch, Dinner, Blow ups, Dunk Tank & Much more!

Registration forms for The Car Show, Baby Contest, Parade, 5k, & Volleyball Tournament are available at [earlyia.com](http://earlyia.com) click on the Community tab and go to Crossroads Days page.



THANK YOU!

Steve Dahm for your generous donation of over 70 books to the Early Public Library

Raffle tickets for sale at the library and city hall. \$1 for one or \$5 for 6. Drawing 10pm July 18.

## CONGRATULATION YARD OF THE MONTH WINNERS!



MAY - SCOTT AND JULIE CLARK - 205 LINDEN LANE  
JUNE - MARLENE LARISON - 202 W MAIN ST.

### A Message from the Mayor,

The City is going to be making some repairs to our current maintenance shed. It has a couple of cracked rafters and the roof is leaking. The council also approved the building of another maintenance building in its June council meeting. This building will probably not start until this fall. The City currently has a lot of expensive equipment setting outside in the weather. The new building will be able to house all of our equipment.

The Council also took the first step this month to set up a plan for repair and maintenance of our streets. We are hiring an engineering firm, Bolton & Menk, Inc. out of Spencer to do a survey of all our streets, and help us to determine where and how to best improve and maintain our streets. The study will be done this year and from there plans will be made as how to proceed. This will end up being a multi-year project because there is no way that everything will be able to be done at once, financially.

The City is also working on unlicensed dogs, derelict vehicles and unmowed properties. We need everyone to work together to improve the appearance of our community and to obey the ordinances of the community.

The City is also contracting to do mosquito control this summer. Notices will be given when this spraying is to be done.

*Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor*

## NOTICE

City of Early will spray for mosquitoes

June 8<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>

## Future Events

- 6/22 - Father's Day
- 6/22 - 6/26 - City Clerk's Office Closed
- 6/23 - Library Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- 7/04 - Independence Day
- 7-02 - City Clerk's Office Closed
- 7/07 - P&Z Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm  
City Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Visit [www.earlyia.com](http://www.earlyia.com) for more calendar and community events!



## Library News

Hello Everyone!

I have been busy in the library. I am rearranging the Children's Section. I want to make it more kid-friendly. Stop in and check out the changes.

Bring your kids and they will learn about Super Heroes, crafts, play games, read books, and there will be snacks. If your child got a flyer in their book bag on the last day of school, I encourage you to fill it out and bring in to the library, either before the program begins or the first day of the program.



### Summer Reading Program

9am to 10:30am  
Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

We have added over 70 new books to our collection. Thanks to Steve Dahm's generous donation. Here are a list a few that are ready for checking out!

- Gathering Prey- John Sandford
- Killing Patton- Bill O'Reilly
- The Burning Room- Michael Connelly
- Innocent- Scott Turow
- All That Remains- Patricia Cornwell
- State of the Union- Brad Thor

Cindy Garthoff, Library Director



THANK YOU!

EARLY 4-H ACHIEVERS FOR PLANTING ALL THE FLOWERS ALONG MAIN STREET AND THE CITY ENTRANCE SIGN SOUTH OF TOWN