

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 7th day of June 2022. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with roll call as follows: Present: Brian Pickhinke, Summer Schmitt, Becky Blackman, Bill Cougill. Absent: Tim Langner. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Blackman to approve the consent agenda including agenda, minutes, bills for payment, American Legion Liquor License. On show of hands: Ayes: Pickhinke, Schmitt, Blackman, Cougill. Motion passed.

Citizen Input from S. Bonebrake in regard to trailers and campers parking along street roadways for multiple days at a time near 2nd Street and Hickory. These are in violation with city ordinance Chapter 68.08(18). Councilor Cougill will take a copy of the ordinance and talk with these two individuals at this time as a reminder of the ordinance. City Clerk is to contact the Sheriff's Office and ask about the enforcement of this Chapter.

Citizen input from D. Galvin and R. Galvin in regard to dogs barking in their neighborhood along with the concerns of pet increase to "5 pets". The wording of the "5 pet" limit could mean more dogs in the neighborhood and more dogs even within city limits that could not be potentially taken care of as they should. At this time the ordinance reads no more than 2 dogs per property and 10 cats. There are several homes that would take advantage of the increase and are not able to give the animals proper care they deserve. D. Galvin suggested that the Council consider hard about the wording this new ordinance should say. The suggestion would be to read as "no more than 5 pets per property not to exceed 3 dogs". The council will take this into consideration and determine better wording for the documentation. There was also mention of a coyote running around town and alone the outskirts of town. City clerk will contact DNR and advise them of the animal as well, no other reports have been made in regard to this animal.

Citizen input from M. Johnson in regard to the food pantry drop-off location. Currently the drop box is located at the post office, but it was brought to their attention that others have been taking all food items from the box instead of gathering those items at the actual food pantry. It was asked if council would approve of the drop site location be move to city hall as it is under surveillance and is locked during the night, to help ward off those who seek to not participate correctly. All members of the council were for the movement of the box location to City Hall.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Blackman to approve building permits #793, 796, 797, 798. On a show of hands. Ayes: Pickhinke, Schmitt, Blackman, Cougill. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to set public hearing date for 07-05-2022 on the water treatment facility/ 2nd street water main status of funded activities. On a show of hands. Ayes: Pickhinke, Schmitt, Blackman, Cougill. Motion passed.

Several Properties are on the nuisance abatement list this month these properties include Parcel(s) 810609110005, 810609110002, 810604103026, 810604109011, 8101604102008, 810604107009, 81004010067, 810604500016, 81004103010, 810604010083, 810604010071. These Properties range from disrepair of house, garages, miscellaneous "Junk", disabled

vehicles. These properties will receive letters in the upcoming days to abate the nuisance within 30 days' time of the letter sent.

Councilor Pickhinke and Councilor Blackman discussed with the other members about what they had learned at the Sac County housing meeting. More so points on rental inspections and code enforcement as the City of Early is lacking in help with nuisance properties in town. City Clerk had gotten some information from Region XII in regard to the processes each of the issues entail. Council wants to hear more from Region XII and asked for them to present to council next month at the regular council meeting.

City Attorney was not present and Cudaback Parcel purchase was not presented; this item will be tabled until next month's meeting.

Resolution 22-11 increasing of mowing charges for nuisance properties to \$100.00 was offered by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Schmitt. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Schmitt, Blackman, Cougill Absent: Langner. Whereupon the mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

The monthly sheriff report was given to all members, Clerk also updated council about a dog bite incident that happen on the South side of town. Currently the residents' dog had been euthanized and they are in a criminal case with the Sac County Attorney.

City clerk gave the council an update of dates for the Public Library and the events that she is currently hosting for the summer reading program.

Kris Alesch, Director of Public Works presented his monthly report. A few things to note was that he had only one applicant and had done an interview for a seasonal part time new hire, council approved the new hire for the position. Also was discussion on a John Deere Tractor w/ loader and belly mower. Council was shown pictures of the unit and a motion was made by Councilor Cougill to purchase the tractor under the conditions that Kris make sure that the equipment is up to date and that everything checks out Councilor Pickhinke seconded the motion. On a show of hands. Ayes: Pickhinke, Schmitt, Blackman, Cougill. Absent: Langner. Motion passed.

The Clerk reported the following receipts and bills that were approved for payment in the consent agenda:

AFLAC	AFLAC	36.16
IPERS	IPERS	374.84
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	65.40
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	476.68
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	FUEL	648.92
DONS PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	41.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	221.48
MIDWEST BREATHING AIR LLC	ANNUAL AIR TESTING	664.32

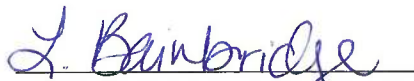
THOMSON-STRACKE IMPLEMENT	#714 4WD CHANGE- EFD	255.50
BOMGAARS	SHOP SUPPLIES	141.51
MBW	SHOP SUPPLIES	41.22
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	556.71
CAPITAL ONE-WALMART	INK-SHOP	54.00
WERNER SEWER AND SEPTIC LLC	SHOP SEWER	250.00
RUDD SANITATION & RECYCLE	GARBAGE & RECYCLE	8,789.60
RUDD SANITATION & RECYCLE	GARBAGE & RECYCLE	2,070.00
AMAZON.COM	BOOKS	435.93
DUMONT COMMUNITY LIBRARY	REPLACEMENT BOOK	8.99
FRONTIER COMMUNICATION	TELEPHONE	69.89
CAPITAL ONE-WALMART	VACCUM-LIB	94.93
AMAZON.COM	PTO- SHOP	67.98
BOMGAARS	PARK SUPPLIES	99.15
ENGEL AGRI SALES CO	MOWER REPAIR	22.54
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	11.68
THISTLE DOWN NURSERY	TREES-5	910.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	30.86
MIDWEST FENCE & GATE CO.	STORMDAMAGE FIELD	4,041.14
POWER SOLUTIONS	BALLFIELD INSURANCE CLAIM	5,063.21
WALL LAKE LUMBER	BALLFEILD	80.80
PHIL DAVIS	CEMETERY MOWING/TRIM	1,520.00
RATCHET ENTERPRIZE LLC	CEMETERY TREE TRIMMING	1,000.00
BECKY BLACKMAN	SAC COUNTY LEAGUE MTG	42.37
ODEBOLT ALLEY	SAC COUNTY LEAGUE MTG	53.49
SHARON IRWIN	NWIOWA LEAGUE MEETING	20.00
CHRONICLE	LEGAL PUBLISHING/ADS	1,126.99
ICE TECHNOLOGIES	REMOTE SERVICE	65.50
COUNSEL	PRINTING	39.06
FRONTIER COMMUNICATION	TELEPHONE SERVICE	106.30
GOOGLE	GSUITE	6.00
HEARTLAND MARKETING	MAINT	75.00
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY	CLASS REGISTRATION-CLERK	128.00
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	516.00
TRI-COUNTY SPECIAL	PRINTING NEWSLETTERS	209.91
CAPITAL ONE-WALMART	OFFICE SUPPLIES- CLERK	17.88
ZOOM	REMOTE BUSINESS	5.35
DAVE JENNETT, P.C.	LEGAL FEES	2,100.00
DONS PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	112.00
MENARDS-FORT DODGE	CITY HALL	95.88
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	431.61
CARL NELSEN	SEWERLINE CLEAN	250.00
AFLAC	AFLAC POST TAX	3.43

IPERS	IPERS	178.70
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	1.00
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	19.09
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	182.45
STORM LAKE ACE HARDWARE	STREET SUPPLIES	149.90
BOMGAARS	STREET DEPT	13.38
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	FUEL	314.17
DOMINO MOTORS, INC.	SILVERADO PKUP	205.80
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	769.06
BROWN SUPPLY CO INC	STREET SWEEPER	1,428.00
IMWCA	WORK COMP PREM 22-23	739.50
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AFLAC	AFLAC	86.84
IPERS	IPERS	452.73
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	14.84
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	107.75
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	656.80
AFLAC	INSURNACE	0.01
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	INSURNACE	31.43
BOMGAARS	WATER SUPPLIES	54.47
BROWN SUPPLY CO INC	WATER SUPPLIES	2,856.54
COUNSEL	PRINTING	58.60
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER TESTING	66.00
HACH COMPANY	CHEMICALS	270.01
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT	CHEMICALS	291.44
IAMU	2ND QRT SAFTEY TRAINING	365.53
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO REGION XII	POWER & GAS HAZARD MITIGATION CONTRACT	159.85
ZOOM	REMOTE BUSINESS	5.34
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	WATER TREATMENT FACILITY	25,486.50
CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICE	WATER TREATMENT FACILITY	1,858.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	WATER DEBT D0211R	50,418.73
JOHN T JONES CONSTRUCTION	WATER TREATMENT FACILITY	211,479.94
AFLAC	AFLAC POST TAX	86.81
IPERS	IPERS	452.77
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	14.86
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	107.76
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	656.84
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	INSURNACE	31.42
COUNSEL	PRINTING	58.59
ECHO GROUP, INC.	LAGOON GENERATOR	1,416.00
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	TESTING	349.25
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	59.00

WERNER SEWER AND SEPTIC LLC	MAIN STREET SEWER	350.00
ZOOM	REMOTE BUSINESS	5.35
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER DEBT C0069R	<u>23,826.25</u>
TOTAL		367,626.77

	EXPENSES	REVENUE
GENERAL	354.64	11,528.00
ROAD USE TAX	291.01	
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		
WATER UTILITY	36.77	5,260.06
WATER SINKING	50418.73	
SEWER UTILITY	36.77	1,679.74
SEWER SINKING	23826.25	

A motion was made by Councilor Schmitt and seconded by Councilor Cougill to close the meeting at 9:45 PM.


Lexi Bainbridge, City Clerk


Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor