

CITY OF EARLY

City Council News

March 2019

City Information

Sharon Irwin, Mayor

Council

Mary Ann Brinkman
Bill Cougill
Melissa Freese
Doug Gulley
Brian Pickhinke

Council meeting-1st Tuesday

Tammy Nuckolls, Clerk
Georgia Flanigan, Assist. Clerk
Kris Alesch, Supt. D.P.W.
William Cougill, Fire Chief

Library Board

Julie Carlson
Cory Faist
Julie Wadswell
Sue Loggins
Becki Petersen

Library Board meeting 4th
Tuesday.

Delta Gulley, Library Director

City of Early

107 Main Street

PO Box 411

Early, IA 50535-0411
Phone: 712-273-5283

www.earlyia.com

Email:

cityofearly@gmail.com

City Office Hours

Monday 7am - 12pm

Tuesday 7am - 12pm
1pm - 6pm

Wednesday 7am - 12pm
1pm - 4pm

Thursday - 7am - 12pm

Friday - CLOSED

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 12th day of March, 2019. 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: Bill Cougill, Doug Gulley, Melissa Freese, Mary Ann Brinkman and Brian Pickhinke. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, approval of 71 - 20 Crossroads liquor license pending fire inspection, approval of Sac Pheasants Forever liquor license and bills for payment. Ayes: Brinkman, Cougill, Freese, Pickhinke, Gulley. Nays: None. Motion carried. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Freese to accept Nohava Construction's bid of \$19,142.00 for replacing the Fire Station roof. On a roll call vote: Ayes: Pickhinke, Freese, Gulley and Brinkman. Abstain: Cougill. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Gulley and seconded by Councilor Freese to repair street sweeper. Ayes: Gulley, Freese, Brinkman, Cougill and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to junk 1976 Ford truck. Ayes: Cougill, Brinkman, Gulley, Freese and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Motion carried.

City Council discussed options for replacing water main on Second Street and repairing water treatment plant with Josh Pope, Engineer from Bolton & Menk. Financial options will be investigated this month.

Resolution 19-03 – Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 as Published in the Chronicle on February 21, 2019 was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Freese. On a roll call vote: Ayes: Brinkman, Gulley, Cougill, Pickhinke and Freese. Nays: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Date for the April City Council meeting will be April 9th.

Mayor, Fire Chief, Sheriff, DPW and City Clerk gave monthly reports.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

ATTEST: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

MAYOR'S NOTES

First and foremost this month I want to thank our City Street Crew for all the time and effort you have put in to open, keep open, and clean up the streets. I also extend this thank you to the street crews in all the area communities. I also want to thank all the county and state crews for your efforts. Thank you to our emergency responders, whether police, sheriff's officers and/or EMTs. They were out in that horrible weather, risking their safety, rescuing many, many people. A lot of these people worked numerous weekends in the past six weeks, plus their regular week. Area fire departments have had some really nasty weather to fight some fires during this time, also.

In Early especially I also want to thank everyone who stepped up and out to help the numerous stranded motorists during the blizzard. I don't know who all of you were, but thank you! I have heard a lot of compliments for all the efforts. If you weren't aware, we housed between 35-40 people in the Municipal Building on Saturday night and some on Sunday night.

The council approved a contract for the replacement of the roof on the older fire station building. The current roof has been on for close to 20 years and is starting to have problems. The Council reviewed a number of options with the engineer concerning maintenance in the water treatment plant. The current equipment is 26 years old. We are looking at putting this together with the water main replacement on Second Street and applying for a CDBG grant to help with the cost of this project.

The City will continue to accept donations toward the purchase of new Christmas lights. These will need to be purchased by early fall to have them in time for next Christmas season.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Early Public Library's April Hoppings!

Story Times

Wednesdays @10:30 am

April 3rd: How the Crayons Saved the
Rainbow

April 10th: Piggie Pie

April 17th: Easter Bunny, Are You For
Real?

Witter Gallery at Early Public Library

April 1st @5pm

Painting Conversations

Ages 50+

Refreshments available

Author Appreciation

for Eric Carle

April 6th @1pm

Coloring sheets due @Early Public Library by
1pm April 13th

March Events Reminder

Essential Oils w\Daily Apple 3-27 @6:30

Adult Easter Egg Hunt 3-30 @7pm

Events in May

May 6th @5 pm Witter Gallery with

Encaustics

May 20th @5 pm Witter Gallery with

Coffee & Canvas

Apply Online!

Join the 2020 Census Team!
Be a part of History!

2020census.gov/jobs

1-855-JOB-2020

(1-855-562-2020)

Federal Relay Service: (800) 877-8339 TTY / ASCII

www.gsa.gov/fedrelay

The Federal Relay Service (FedRelay) provides telecommunications services to allow individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, and/or have speech disabilities to conduct official business with and within the federal government.

The U.S. Census Bureau is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

United States
Census
Bureau

Form D-448
September 2018

United States
Census
2020

FOCUS NEWS

Please consider donating! This is the only way for us to make Crossroads Days happen year after year. We hope you consider donating to Early FOCUS as we hope to make this year the best year for Early's 137th birthday. We cannot do this without the help of the community. No amount is too small and every dollar counts. We are made up strictly of volunteers and are a nonprofit group. Thanks for considering.

Those of you that didn't get an envelope or would like to contribute, you can mail your donation to Early FOCUS—PO Box 117—Early IA 50535.

FOCUS is currently looking for baby contestants. Forms are available at www.earlyvia.com. They can be between ages 0-3 by July 20th.

FOCUS is also accepting early parade registrations. Forms are available at www.earlyvia.com

Please mark your calendar for July 20th for Early Crossroads Days!

The Early FOCUS will be judging Yard of the Month May thru September so please keep your yards up and look for the yard of the month sign to come to a yard near you.

One more huge shout out to Everyone this past storm that helped in any way or offered. So many of you asked to help but we didn't want anyone else stuck. So with that we've learned that in a situation of such we need pillows, blankets and air mattresses. In time this will happen again. This does not need to be immediate but if you'd like to make or donate a NEW Blanket, pillow or air mattress we would be forever grateful. We will keep them down in the basement so the next time they are prepared in that sense. You can drop them to city hall during business hours.

Thank you Early. You're pretty fantastic.

Early Community Blood Drive

Saturday, April 6th, 2019

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sacred Heart Parish Center Bloodmobile
501 Church Street

Schedule a blood donation appointment today!@
www.lifefervebloodcenter.org of contact

Water Source Protection meeting will be held April 9, 6:00 pm at City Hall. All residents, both town and country, are urged to attend to discuss plans to address the rising nitrate levels in our public water system. The follow-through of the community's local Source Water Protection Plan needs local leadership. Community awareness and involvement starts with committed individuals working together. Through the work of community leaders and SWP team members efforts to protect our most valuable resource will be successful.