# 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
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Sue Loggins
Amy Schumacher
Library Board meeting 4th
Tuesday.
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#### City Office Hours

Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed Nov. 17th, 27th & 28th

## City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 4th day of November 2014. 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, Vincent Davis and Brian Pickhinke. Absent: Melissa Freese and William Cougill. A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Davis to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Brinkman, Pickhinke and Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Freese and Cougill. 7:05 pm – Councilor Freese arrived

Chloe Wallace and Chris Mason of Sac Economic Development reported to the council on a Hometown Pride program that is available to Sac County this program would cost the city \$1 per capita. A motion was made by Councilor Davis and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke that the City participate in the program to build a stronger community and help the City of Early restore pride by improving local image and appearance in the hopes of enhancing economic development. Ayes: Brinkman, Freese, Pickhinke and Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill.

City Council discussed The Sheriff's Levy and Sale on the property located at  $105~4^{\rm th}$  Street Early, IA. A special meeting will be held Friday November  $7^{\rm th}$  at 7:00 am to determine the city's course of action on this matter.

Resolution 14-18 Authorizing the Amendment and Acceptance of an Easement for a well and access was offered by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On roll call vote: Ayes: Brinkman, Pickhinke, Davis, and Freese. 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 Freese approving the Superintendent D.P.W. and Maintenance Worker I job description. Ayes: Pickhinke, Brinkman, Freese, Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Brinkman approving building permit NO. 708. Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, Davis and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill.

City Council discussed applications for Maintenance Worker I position, Employee wages, and nuisance abatement.

City Attorney, Mayor, Supt. D.P.W. and City Clerk gave monthly reports. Sheriff's written report was reviewed.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Davis to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:23PM on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Attest: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

#### EDUCATIONAL MESSAGE FROM SAC COUNTY LANDFILL

#### What Makes a Product Hazardous?

A household product is considered hazardous if it is Combustible, Caustic/Corrosive, Reactive and/or Toxic.

**COMBUSTIBLE** - can explode through exposure to heat, sudden shock, pressure or incompatible substances.

**CAUSTIC/CORROSIVE** - a chemical or its vapors can cause deterioration or irreversible alteration in body tissues (example-it can burn your skin and/or your lungs) and deteriorate or wear away the surface of the material.

**REACTIVE** - can explode when exposed to heat, extreme pressure or incompatible substances

 $\label{to:cause severe injury or death when inhaled, ingested or absorbed through the skin \\ \textbf{WARNING SIGNS}$ 

The makers of products that contain Hazardous Household Materials (HHMs) are required to caution consumers as to the risks. If any of these words or phrases is on a label, the product is likely considered an HHM.

CAUTION

DANGER
POISON
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

Be sure to dispose of any of these unused products by taking them to the landfill in their original containers. DO NOT PUT THEM IN THE REGULAR GARBAGE!

Sac County Landfill Agency

#### **FOCUS News**

The Early FOCUS would like to present to you "Light up the Town". We are asking everyone to turn on their Christmas Lights on November 29th. We will be judging a house per week. The judging will take place on November 30, December 7, December 14, and December 21. Each week will award one home the "Holiday Home of the Week". We will be putting a sign in your yard for that week. We hope you all participate in this event and share in our joy for the holidays.



We want to wish you Happy Holidays from the Early FOCUS.

### A Message from the Mayor,

There were no big decisions made during the city council meeting this month. There was a great deal of discussion about a number of items.

Mark your calendars for the annual steak fry on Saturday, March 7, 2015

A number of things are happening already for the Crossroads Day celebration next July. We are going to have a DJ for everyone's entertainment on Friday night. Jenny Bailey has stepped forward to organize a big parade on Saturday morning. (Thank you, Jenny.) This will be an important addition to the celebration. The car show is going to be held downtown next year, too.

F.O.C.U.S. is going to sponsor a "Light up the Town" this year for Christmas. There will be judging on Sundays, November 30, December 7 and Dec 14. So there will be at least three winners named. Santa will be coming to the Early Public Library on Saturday, December 13th from 9 to 10:30 AM. There will some craft time for the children, plus a treat from Santa, plus rides on a horse-drawn wagon. Plan to bring the family and enjoy the fun!

There is coming to Sac County a new notification system, WENS (Wireless Emergency Notification System). As soon as more information is available on how to sign up for this, the information will be out there. You will be able to be notified of numerous types of emergencies or alerts from the county or your city by landline phone, cell phone, text message and/or email. These alerts could include weather related situations, hazardous materials situations that could affect people, city water problems, etc. This should be very exciting technology for the entire population of Sac County. There will be no charge to the public for this service.

Remember that from now until March 31, 2015, vehicles are to be off of the streets in Early from 2 AM to 6 AM. To avoid a ticket and/or towing of your vehicle, please keep you vehicles off the streets during those hours.

Sharon Ann Irwín, Mayor



## Winter Parking Regulations



Winter Parking Regulations effective November 1st through March 31st. No vehicle be shall park, abandon or leave unattended on any public street, alley or City-owned off-street park-

ing between the hours of 2:00 am - 7:00 am. Any vehicle left unattended will be ticketed and towed.

## **Library News**

Hello Everyone! It won't be long and the holidays will be here, are you ready?

I hope you thanked a veteran on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. We have a lot to be thankful for thanks to our military! Please stop in and see my Veteran's Day display!

We had a great Halloween Party on Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. There was 65 people here and the kids got to play games, do crafts, and they got to eat lots of goodies and take home a goodie bag.

Our next party will be our Christmas Party. It looks like it will be on Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> 9:30am to 10:30am. Please bring your kids to see Santa Claus and ride in the horse drawn carriage. We will also have lots of goodies and a goodie bag for each child. The Early Public Library and F.O.C.U.S committee will be sponsoring this party.

I will be having a craft/vendor show on March 7<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the F.O.C.U.S Steak Fry! The time will be announced at a future date. Come out and enjoy this community event. I will have a list of vendors in the near fu-

I hope everyone has a thankful Thanksgiving and enjoy this time with family and friends!

God Bless,

Cindy Garthoff, Library Director



Evertek is planning to **EVERTEK** connect new customers by the middle of De-

cember. If you are interest in sign up for service call EverTek at 1-800-2420-1540. \$25.00 credit coupons are available at the City Clerk's office while supplies last.

## **Future Events**

- 11/25 Early Public Library Board Meeting
- 11/11 Veterans Day
- 11/27 Thanksgiving Day
- 11/27 City Offices Closed
- 11/28 City Offices Closed
- 12/07 City Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- 12/13 Santa is coming to town
- 12/21 First Day of Winter