

April 2022

City Information

Sharon Irwin, Mayor

City Council

Bill Cougill
Brian Pickhinke
Summer Schmitt
Tim Langner
Becky Blackman

Council Meeting- 1st Tuesday

Lexi Bainbridge, Clerk
Kris Alesch, P.W. Director
Keith Horan, Fire Chief

Fire Meeting- 2nd Wednesday

Library Board

Cory Faist-President
Julie Carlson
Julie Wadsley
Sue Loggins
Becki Petersen-Secretary

Board Meeting- 4th Tuesday

Kristine Luy, Library Director

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City Office
Hours

Monday thru
Thursday
8AM - 3PM

(Closed during the noon
hour)

Friday
8AM - 12 PM

CITY OF EARLY

City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 5th day of April 2022. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM with roll call as follows: Present: Brian Pickhinke, Tim Langner, Summer Schmitt, Becky Blackman. Absent: Bill Cougill. A motion was made by Councilor Langner and seconded by Councilor Blackman to approve the consent agenda including agenda, minutes, bills for payment. On show of hands: Ayes: Pickhinke, Langner, Schmitt, Blackman. Motion passed. Citizen Rick Roeder was present and stated that he had purchased a lot within city limits and is making plans for cleanup sometime this summer. He will remove all debris and trailer house from the lot to help expand his business. The Council was grateful and thanked him for helping keep our community beautiful. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to approve building permit #794. On a show of hands: Ayes: Pickhinke, Langner, Schmitt, Blackman. Absent: Cougill. Motion passed. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to approve building permit #795. On a show of hands: Ayes: Pickhinke, Langner, Schmitt, Blackman. Absent: Cougill. Motion passed. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Langner to set a public hearing to amend the fiscal year 2021-2022 budget for May 3rd, 2022. On a show of hands. Ayes: Pickhinke, Langner, Schmitt, Blackman. Absent: Cougill. Motion passed. Resolution 22-08 Approving Rudd Sanitation Contract for Solid Waste was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Langner, Schmitt, Blackman. Absent: Cougill. Whereupon the mayor declared said resolution duly adopted. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Blackman to approve replacement of three doors on the Municipal Building. On a show of hands. Ayes: Pickhinke, Langner, Schmitt, Blackman. Nays: None. Absent: Cougill. Motion passed. Sheriff Ken McClure presented to the Council with budgeting for the upcoming fiscal year and some possible increases for staffing and other operating expenses. He also reported updates for the radio tower project and that they ran into some land purchasing issues near Schaller and would potentially place equipment on an existing tower in that area which could save the project roughly \$7,000. Fire Chief Keith Horan arrived at 7:38 PM. Chief Horan had brought items for discussion in regard to filling public swimming pool request for the upcoming year(s), repairs to the East Fire Station building, HVAC system being placed into the East Fire Station, along with the House Numbering issues within the community. The Library Director received a wage increase at their last board meeting. Public Works Director Alesch presented to the council updates on the Ballfield repairs, asking for additional hired seasonal help, Water Treatment Facility/ 2nd St Water Main, as well as our House Numbering issues. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to close the meeting at 8:45 PM. Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor
Lexi Bainbridge, City Clerk

MAYOR'S NOTES

The next regular council meeting, Tuesday, May 3rd was set as the date for a public hearing on the budget amendment for the current fiscal year. Res. 22-08 was adopted approving the contract renewal with Rudd Sanitation. There will be a citywide garage sale next month. It is scheduled for Saturday, May 21st from 8 a.m. to noon. Sign-up at the library to take part in this. Don't forget about citywide clean-up day set for Thursday, May 25. Have your garage sale and then clean-up day is the next week. Yard of the month starts again, too, so let's make Early shine!

The DNR has sent the 2021 Water Quality Report for Early Municipal Water Supply. There were no violations this past year. If you would like a copy of the report you may pull it from our website at www.earlyia.com or request a copy at the Clerk's Office.

CITY WIDE CLEAN UP- MAY 25TH, 2022
GARAGE SALES- MAY 21ST, 2022

(PLEASE SEE REVERSE FOR DETAILS)

EARLY FOCUS NEWS

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

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR 2022 CROSSROAD DAYS!!

Friday July 15th

Inflatables- FREE- 5:30-7:30

Free Will Donation Supper-5:30-7:30

Bags Tournament- Registration @6 play starts @630 – Brady Luy 712-299-5103

DJ/Beer Garden- Cory Waller & The Wicked Things- 9pm-Midnight

Saturday July 16th

ALL DAY- Softball Tournament- Dana Morris-712-346-8918

Breakfast served under the tent- 7-9:30 AM Early Fire Department

10:00 AM- BIG PARADE Registration @ 8:30 AM Abu Bekr Rat Patrol – Ridge View Middle School Line Up

11:00 AM- 1:00 PM- Noon Meal

11:00-2:00 PM- Craft Show- Early Library-712-273-5334

11:00-4:00 PM- Bingo in the basement of legion- Schaller Crestland Rec

11:00 AM – 5:00 PM- Inflatables (Free)

12:30- Kid Water fights- Early Fire Department

2:00 PM- Water Fights- Early Fire Department

3:30 PM- Cake Walk- Tami Grace- 712-660-1876

4:30 PM- Baby Contest- Pre Registration Required by June 1st www.earlyia.com

5:00 PM-7:00 PM- Evening Meal

5:00- Cow Pie Bingo- Winner Wait & Watch- Early Fire Department

9:00 PM-1:00 AM- Early Legion Beer Garden

Entertainment: Brad Morgan

Fireworks-10 PM

Registrations go to www.earlyia.com

Upcoming Library Events for April 2022

Story Times:

Wednesday, April 6th @ 10 AM

Wednesday, April 13th @ 10 AM

Wednesday, April 20th @ 10 AM

Wednesday, April 27th @ 10 AM

Meetings:

Friends of the Library- April 12th @ 6 PM

Board Meeting- Tuesday, April 26th @ 6PM

Stay in the loop about future events by following our Facebook page, our Early Public Library website, checking out our flyers that are posted at the library and the post office, or stop in!

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE INFORMATION

SATURDAY MAY 21ST, 2022 8AM - 12PM

\$10 Registration fee to be made out to "Friends of the Library" Money is due no later than MAY 6TH, 2022 to the Library.

City Clerk's Office

UPDATED CITY WIDE CLEAN UP -- MAY 25TH, 2022 (during normal garbage pickup)

All loose garbage must be placed in bags or it will not be picked up! Sorting out metal, wood, and hazardous materials from your garbage will save time and hassle for the service men. If you have questions on what you can and can not throw away for pickup please call the Clerk's Office, or the local Sanitation Station.

Items NOT to be thrown out for City Wide Clean up.

**Tires Electronics- TV's, Laptops, computer monitors Appliances- call City Hall First added fees
Oil paints - (latex is fine if completely dried out)
No Glass such as windows or patio doors, (small glassware is fine as long as it is protected for safe handling) Household Hazard waste- Bleach, Cleaners, Lighter fluid, moth balls, etc. No Lawn & Garden Chemicals**

*** [For a complete list please visit our website or call City Hall.](#)**