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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 - Friday
7:00 am - 12:00 pm

City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 4th day of February 2014. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call as follows: Present: Melissa Freese, Vince Davis, William Cougill, Brian Pickhinke and Mary Ann Brinkman. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to approve the consent agenda including; approval of new firemen Wyatt Feilmeier and Shawn Schmidt, agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Pickhinke, Freese, Brinkman, Cougill and Davis. Nays: None.

Fire Chief Nick Schumacher gave his annual report to the City Council and The Township Trustee.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Freese to set aside the property located at 106 S Main as a green space property to meet the communities Ecological, Environmental and Social needs at this time. Ayes: Brinkman, Pickhinke, Cougill, Davis and Freese. Nays: None.

The City Council received two proposals to improve the interior of the municipal building the council review both proposal with the intention to economical support our community businesses and equally spread the cities construction projects to local contractors. The two proposals were submitted by Schmitt Contracting and D&C Construction. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to contract D&C Construction to make the municipal building improvements. Ayes: Davis, Freese, Brinkman, Pickhinke and Cougill. Nays: None.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Freese to increase the water meter repair rate to \$65.00 and to charge the cost the city pays for new meters. Ayes: Cougill, Davis, Freese, Brinkman and Pickhinke. Nays: None.

The City Council discussed the proposal from the FOCUS committee to have a burn out contest at Early Crossroads Day. The City Clerk report the potential cost of the insurance and the requirement to get the insurance. The council felt like it would not be fiscally feasible to allow the contest, but the council would like to thank the FOCUS committee for all their hard work and excitement to see Crossroads Day be a success.

A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to no longer add fluoride to the city water system after the on hand supply has been used. Ayes: Brinkman, Pickhinke, Cougill, Davis and Freese. Nays: none.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Freese to set a public hearing for FY15 City Budget March 4th, 2014 at 7:00 pm. Ayes: Cougill, Davis, Pickhinke, Freese, Brinkman. Nays: none

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

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Cougill to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM on voice vote.

Sharon Irwin, Mayor

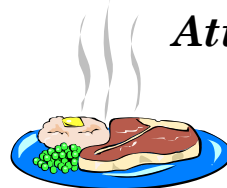
Attest: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

Annual Steak Fry

MARCH 15 - 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Advance Tickets \$12.00
At the Door \$15.00

*Tickets will be available at the
Early Public Library, Cross-
roads Restaurant and Shear
Attractions*



MAYOR'S NOTES

For the most part it has been very cold this past month. We have been blessed that we have not had any interruption of electricity.

The City now has a court order on the old motel in Early. The City is in the process of determining the cost of the removal and clean-up of that property. On the second property that we were in court for last month, the owner was given two additional weeks to come up with a plan for the clean-up of that property. To date we have not heard any more on that property but will keep on top of the matter. I personally hate to see properties become bare but it looks far better than having a derelict building setting there and usually weeds growing up around it. A bare lot makes the community look better than an eye sore setting there.

The government has lowered the standard for fluoride in the drinking water because we have fluoride provided in toothpaste, mouthwash, and other items. The new standard is close to what is found naturally in our city water supply. Therefore, over the next year, the City is going to phase out the addition of additional fluoride in our water. This will save the Water Utility approximately \$1600 per year in chemical supplies, testing costs and maintenance of that part of the system.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Don't forget about the F.O.C.U.S. steak fry on Saturday, March 15. Tickets are now available

Future Events

- 2/25 - Library Board Meeting @ 6pm
- 2/14 - St. Valentine's Day
- 2/17 - President's Day - City Offices Closed
- 3/04 - City Comp Planning Meeting @6pm
- 3/04 - City Council Meeting @7pm

Library News

Hello Everyone! I hope everyone is staying warm!

We have been collecting memorial money for Janet Dailey and plan to have a special section honoring her in the very near future.



I am busy weeding our Adult Fiction books. We will be having a book sale starting March 15 at our Craft Show. I hope everyone will be come out on March 15 to the FOCUS Steak Fry and the Early Public Library Craft Show. Tickets are available here at the Library for the Steak Fry and also Raffle Tickets for Crossroads Day July 19th. You can buy one ticket for \$1 or buy 6 tickets for \$5.

I delivered my first Daycare kits Jan. 20th and will be delivering the second round this next week. The Daycare kits include a movie, books, coloring pages and crayons.

Thanks for supporting your Library!

Cindy Garthoff, Library Director

EARLY PUBLIC LIBRARY CRAFT SHOW

MARCH 15TH 3PM TO 8PM

Origami Owl, Scentsy, Tupperware, Taste-fully Simple, Pop-tab purses, Hand wrapped jewelry, Metal crafts, Artwork, and Pampered Chef to name just a few.

Also, the Early Public Library will be having a book sale, cookbooks, crocks, and afghans.

Sac County Has Mandatory Recycling

Recycling will be picked up at the curb at the same time as garbage pickup— Wednesday mornings

PLASTICS - Only #1 - #7 plastics are accepted at the SARC; wash out containers and remove lids. Look for the recycling number on the bottom of the container. Examples: milk jugs, juice jugs, shampoo, laundry and dish soap. NO motor oil, vegetable oil, antifreeze, farm chemical containers, or other types of plastics.

TIN/ALUMINUM - Tin and aluminum cans, aluminum pie plates, aluminum TV dinner trays and aluminum foil are acceptable. The ends may be removed from tin cans and flattened for ease of storage. Materials **MUST BE** washed and labels **MUST BE** removed from tin cans!

OFFICE PAPER - High grade white office paper, computer paper, and envelopes are accepted. Please do not mix with other types of papers! All must be bundled or properly secured.

HOUSEHOLD PAPERS - Included in this category of recyclables are: pasteboard egg cartons, paper sacks, non-white junk mail and paper, catalogs, magazines, "slick" coupon sections, and chipboard (Cereal boxes, cake mix boxes, pop and beer cartons etc.). Please keep this category of materials separate from other types (i.e. newspaper, corrugated, white paper) and have it properly secured.

NEWSPAPERS - Remove "slicks" (coupons, ad inserts, or magazine inserts) and secure them by bundling or in sacks. Wet newspapers are not accepted.

CARDBOARD - Corrugated cardboard boxes are accepted. Corrugated cardboard is the type of cardboard with smooth outside and wavy layers inside. Boxes **must** be flattened. Please **keep the corrugated dry; wet cardboard is not usable**. Also, **no wax-coated cardboard**.

