CITY OF EARLY

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City Information

Sharon Irwin, Mayor

Council Mary A

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
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City Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 7:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:00pm

City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 6th day of January 2015. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Pro Tem Vince Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a roll call as follows: Present: Melissa Freese, William Cougill and Brian Pickhinke. Absent: Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin and Mary Ann Brinkman. A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, approval of alarm permits, approval of fire department officers; Nick Schumacher-Fire Chief, William Cougill – Assistant Chief and Jose Berg – Secretary/Treasurer, and bills for payment. Ayes: Cougill, Pickhinke, and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Brinkman.

City Attorney gave his report on pending cases.

Resolution 15-01 Setting the Salaries for Appointed Officers and Employees of the City of early For the Year 2015. Offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Freese. On a roll vote Ayes: Freese, Cougill and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Absent: Brinkman. Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem declared said resolution duly adopted. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto and by the reference made a part thereof.

Chris Whitaker with Region XII Council of Governments reviewed the city's Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Policies with the City Council. Resolution 15-02 Approving and Adopting a Comprehensive land Use Plan and Policies for the City of Early; Accepting the Recommendations of the Early Planning and Zoning Commission. Offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote: Ayes: Cougill, Pickhinke and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Brinkman. Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem declared said resolution duly adopted. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto and by the reference made a part thereof.

Resolution 15-03 Adopting Final Assessment Schedule for the Nuisance Abatement in the Year 2014 and Confirming and Levying the Assessments. Offered by Councilor Pickhinke and Seconded by Councilor Freese. On roll call vote: Ayes: Cougill, Pickhinke and Freese. Nays: None. Absent: Brinkman. Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem declared said resolution duly adopted. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto and by the reference made a part

A Motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Cougill to approve 2nd reading of an Ordinance amending the code of Ordinances of the city of Early, Iowa, to add provisions pertaining to vapor products and alternative nicotine products. On roll call Ayes: Freese, Pickhinke, and Cougill. Nays: None. Absent: Brinkman. 3rd Reading will be at next regular council meeting the 3rd day of February, 2015.

City Council discussed Home Town Pride program and approved Pennie Irwin to sit on the steering committee.

Supt. D.P.W. and City Clerk gave monthly reports.

A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:59PM on voice vote.

Vincent Davis, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

FOCUS News

Early Steak Fry will be March 7, 2015 from 5:30-8:00 P.M. in the basement of the municipal building. We will be serving steak or chicken. It will be served with a baked potato, lettuce salad, bar, and drink. The cost is \$13 presale and \$16 the day of. There will

also be a craft fair going on in the library that day from 5-8. If you liked to get your ticket in advance they will be available at the Library or City Hall. Also you are free to contact a FOCUS member to get one. They are Brian Pickhinke, Katie Ehrp, Crystal Cudaback, Sharon Irwin, Cindy Garthoff, Robyn Padgett, Christy Horan, Mike Bailey, Jenny Bailey, Pennie Irwin, and Tami Grace. Hope to see you there.

We will also be selling tickets for our cash drawing for Early Crossroads Days. The cash drawing is for \$500,\$300, \$100, and \$100. The drawing will be July 18, 2015 at 10 P.M. You do not need to be present to win.



Library News

Unfortunately this Newsletter article was not recoverable as of August 15,2022. The current city clerk, Lexi Bainbridge did her best to investigate to make this an updated letter. She pulled the information from the minute books in the vault and had asked the Mayor if they still had the Mayor message as well. The Librarian at the time is not available to get ahold of and the currently librarian does not have any records for this month back in 2015.

Future Events

01/27 - Library Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

02/03 - Planning & Zoning

Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

02/03 - City Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm

All Dogs and Cats Must be

Registered with the City Clerk

Registration forms are available at the City Office, Library or on the City website www.earlyia.com

\$10.00 for spayed or neutered animal

\$ 20.00 for unchanged animal

\$10.00 Penalty after February 28th



A Message from the Mayor,

I would like to thank Vince Davis, Mayor Pro-tem, for conducting this month's council meeting in my absence.

There was a hearing held on the updated Comprehensive Plan for the City of Early and then the council approved the plan. This plan is needed if the City needs to apply for any future grants or loans. Now that this is completed, next month the committee will begin work on reworking the City Zoning Ordinance. The current zoning ordinance was drafted back in the 1970's and it is very unfriendly to use. It is the hope that the new revised ordinance will be simpler and more easily understood. This will probably take a number of months to complete but will be worth it in the end.

If you have been lucky enough to have avoided the flu thus far, you are very lucky. I had Influenza A for over a week during Christmas and still have the cough that goes with it. I heard on the news the other day that the cough can remain for six weeks. Yippee!!! Please take care of yourself if you do get the flu. It can be very serious.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor.

SAC COUNTY PUBLIC NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

Sign up here for **Sac County/Iowa Alerts!** In the event of an emergency or severe weather condition, an alert will be sent to the phone number provided (landline, cell phone, or email). Situations where you may get **Alerts** could include.

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- Fire Warnings
- City Alerts (main breaks, water boil orders, etc.)
- Local Area Emergency
- 911 Outage Emergency
- Child Abduction Emergence
- Law Enforcement Warnings



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