

CITY OF

November &
December 2017

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
Ray Musselman, Supt. D.P.W.
William Cougill, Fire Chief

Library Board

Mark Grace
Julie Carlson
Cory Faist
Julie Wadsley
Sue Loggins

Library Board meeting 4th
Tuesday.

Delta Gulley, Library Director

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City Office Hours

Monday 7am - 12pm

Tuesday 7am - 12 pm

1 pm - 6 pm

Wednesday 7am -12pm

1pm - 4pm

Thursday- 7am - 12pm

Friday - CLOSED

City Council News

The City Council of the City of Early, Iowa, held a public hearing November 14, 2017, at the City Hall, Early, Iowa, at 7 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of instituting proceedings and taking action to enter into a Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement") and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$125,000 for the purpose of paying the cost, to that extent, of acquiring a fire truck for use by the municipal fire department.

The Loan Agreement is proposed to be entered into pursuant to authority contained in Section 384.24A of the Code of Iowa and will constitute a general obligation of the City.

At that time and place, oral or written objections may be filed or made to the proposal to enter into the Loan Agreement.

No comments were received

A public hearing was held during the regular City Council Meeting on November 14, 2017. The notice of the public hearing was published November 2, 2017. A representative from Region XII Council of Governments, as grant administrator, provided a report on the status of the overall program. This information included a general description of the program, the addresses of the recipients, the expenditures to date, the amount of work to be completed, performance targets, and the remaining activity schedule. It was noted that the public has reasonable access to all local meetings, project records and other information relating to the use of these CDBG funds at either Early City Hall or at the Region XII Council of Government building.

No comments were received.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 14th day of November, 2017. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. with a roll call as follows: Present: Doug Gulley, Brian Pickhinke, Mary Ann Brinkman, Melissa Freese and William Cougill. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, Gulley, Cougill and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Cougill approving the Sewer Outfall upgrades change order No. 1 and payment request No. 1 for 67816.70. on a roll call vote: Ayes: Brinkman, Cougill, Gulley, Freese, and Pickhinke. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Freese approving Certificate of Substantial Completion of Sewer Outfall Upgrades. on a roll call vote: Ayes Pickhinke, Freese, Gulley, Cougill, and Brinkman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 17-20 Authorize Transfer of Funds from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund to provide Local Match funds for Iowa Economic Development Authority CBDG - Housing Rehabilitation Program. offered by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Gulley, Freese, Pickhinke, Brinkman, and Cougill. Nay: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 17-21 - Taking Additional Action on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Fire Truck Acquisition Loan Agreement was offered by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Freese, Gulley, Brinkman, Pickhinke. Nays: None. Abstain: Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

Resolution 17-22 - Authorizing the City of Early to apply for an Iowa Department of Transportation Sign Replacement Program grant was offered by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Gulley. on a roll call vote: Cougill, Pickhinke, Freese, Brinkman, and Gulley. Nays: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

A motion was made by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Cougill to go into closed session to discuss upcoming litigation. Ayes: Freese, Gulley, Brinkman, Cougill. and Freese. Nays: none. Motion carried.

come out of closed session 7:29 pm.

Mayor, City Clerk, and Supt. DPW gave monthly reports. Sheriff's written report was also available for review. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Brinkman to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07PM on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

ATTEST: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

FOCUS News

Congratulations to all the Holiday Home of the Week Winners:

November 26th- Steve & Katie Struchen
303 Karr Avenue

December 3rd- Nathan & Becki Peterson
305 Walnut St.

December 10th - Christy & Keith Horn
2306 Karr Ave.

City Council News

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 5th day of December, 2017. 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: Doug Gulley, Brian Pickhinke, Mary Ann Brinkman, Melissa Freese and William Cougill. A motion was made by Councilor Freese and seconded by Councilor Cougill to approve the consent agenda including; agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. Ayes: Freese, Brinkman, Gulley, Cougill and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made to approve Building Permit 741 pending approval by the Planning and Zoning Committee by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Brinkman. Ayes: Gulley, Brinkman, Freese, Pickhinke and Cougill. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Cougill to change regular Council Meeting from Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 7:00 pm to Thursday, January 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Ayes: Cougill, Gulley, Freese, Brinkman and Pickhinke. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 17-23 Authorize and Approving a Loan Agreement and Providing for the Issuance of a General Obligation Fire Truck Acquisition Note and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same. Offered by Councilor Brinkman and seconded by Councilor Gulley. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Gulley, Freese, Pickhinke, and Brinkman. Nay: None. Abstain: Cougill. Whereupon the Mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Cougill to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10PM on voice vote.

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

ATTEST: Tamara Nuckolls, City Clerk

A Message from the Mayor,

November 2017

Last month, I mentioned that a new tanker truck was being considered for the Fire Department. That truck has been ordered. It won't be finished and delivered before spring.

The Homeowner Rehab Grant that the City received has improved four homes within the City. Since there are funds still left, a fifth home will also be rehabbed. There are still some funds left in the grant so a sixth home may receive some rehab, also. The City put \$10,000 of local money into this program. The improvement investment is having a very good return. The City did not have anything to do with the recipients who received this help. There were strict requirements within the program that determined the recipients and the grant administrator, Region XII COG handled all of the paperwork and decisions.

The sewer maintenance that was done on South Avenue and towards the lagoon, are now completed less the reseeding.

The City has applied for a DOT sign grant to replace a number of traffic signs that are quite worn. The Library has applied for a Sac County Foundation Grant to remodel the north room into a children's area.

I can think of many, many things to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. We have so many blessings, living in the United States and the Midwest.

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The Early Public Library has received a Sac County Foundation Grant to remodel the north room into a children's area. We are excited about this!

How do you like the winds we have been having the past couple of Mondays? It is a good thing that it didn't snow along with it.

Be advised that someone has cut some wires on some Christmas lights around town. If your outside lights were working and all of sudden aren't, be sure to check the wiring. If it appears that your lights have been cut, please report it as soon as possible.

It is hard to believe that Christmas is so close and right behind that is the end of another year. Aren't all of the decorations and lights nice to see? I want to take the chance to wish all of you a blessed Christmas and New Year! Be safe during the holidays!

Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor

Early Public Library Storytime Wednesdays 11 am to 11:30 am

December 20th

T'was the Night Before Christmas

December 27th

The Littlest Reindeer

January 3rd

Dreams Come True

January 10th

Snow Happy!

January 17th

Pete the Cat & His

Four Groovy Buttons

New Junior Fiction

Crenshaw, Pax, Stella by Starlight, Only the Game, Firefly Hollow, Paper Things, Zane & the Hurricane, The Hero Two Doors Down, The War That Saved My Life & many more

New Young Adult

All The Light You Can Not See by Anthony Doerr

A Man Called Ove
By Fredrick Backman