

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 4th day of October 2022. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with roll call as follows: Present: Brian Pickhinke, Becky Blackman, Tim Langner, Summer Schmitt. Absent: Bill Cougill A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Langner to approve the consent agenda including agenda, minutes, bills for payment, mileage reimbursement. On show of hands: Ayes: Pickhinke, Blackman, Langner, Schmitt. Motion passed.

Citizen Input- Early Achievers 4-H Club came forth to discuss the possibility of the Club replacing the benches at the park on Third Street. The Council was appreciative with this proposal and the Club will come back with final design for these.

Wes Boyer with Bolton & Menk Engineering was present to discuss final completion of the Second Street Water Main Project.

Councilman Langer brought to the council a complaint about the wasps raiding the library. The city clerk believes that they may be penetrating the building through the broken/ boarded up windows that are in the library closets as well as the rear exit door. Council wants the city clerk to talk with our pest control and see what remedies he may have to offer. The City Clerk informed Council that they have had several conversations in regard to the wasps and that they are very hard to prevent entry unless we fill in every crack and crevasse that is on the building. Wasps can only be killed on contact, but she will do research and see what can be done.

A motion was made by Councilor Langner and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to approve building permits #803. On a show of hands. Ayes: Pickhinke, Blackman, Langner, Schmitt. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Councilor Langner and seconded by Councilor Blackman to approve building permits #804. On a show of hands. Ayes: Blackman, Langner, Schmitt. Absent: Pickhinke. Motion passed.

Spencer from ISG, Storm Lake and Luke with Region XII presented updates to the council for the Drainage District-59. The City of Early was awarded \$217,000 from CDBG funds to purchase and build a retention basin that will be the start of the DD-59. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to approve and have the mayor sign the CDBG IDEA Contract #22-OT-001. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Blackman, Langner, Schmitt. Motion passed. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Blackman to approve and have the mayor sign the IEDA required acknowledgment of environmental view requirements form. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Blackman, Langner, Schmitt. Motion passed. A motion was made by Councilor Blackman and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to approve and have the mayor sign the Region XII COG Contract #BG2303. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Blackman, Langner, Schmitt. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Councilor Schmitt and seconded by Councilor Langner to update the city website with HMG to a semi-custom platform. Roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Blackman, Langner, Schmitt. Motion passed.

City Clerk contacted Region XII for a contract to view for Nuisance Abatements. The Council had some discrepancies within the contract and wish for it to be revised. Revisit next month.

City Attorney was present. Council was informed that parcel- 810604109009 has gone into default judgement and will later be served papers by the Sac County Sheriff for derelict housing. The city will be in search of bids to tear down the dwelling(s) and get rid of all nuisances on the property. Parcel- 810604010014 is schedule for another court hearing on October 25th, 2022. Parcel- 810604104009 requested a later court date due to medical issues. Date has been pushed back to January 2023.

Sheriff was present. Council was updated on Radio Tower progress. The monthly Sheriff report was given.

The monthly library report was given to all members of the council.

Councilor Langner presented for the fire department. Informed council that the Fire Station (brick building) needs new tuck point due to salt wear over the years. Kris Alesch, Director of Public Works will be working with Fire Chief Keith Horan to get estimates of the repairs needed.

Kris Alesch, Director of Public Works presented his monthly report. A few things to note 4 large trees were removed from different properties in town due to safety hazard. A sewer main emergency near E 6th Street and Walnut occurred it is believed that part of the line has collapsed, scheduled repairs are in place. We were to have a Presentation from McGuire iron in regard to the water tower, but they were unable to attend reschedule time would be Nov 1st starting at 6:15 PM before the regular council meeting. Before winter starts, they have plans to do some concrete and asphalt patching throughout town. Water Treatment facility progress has slowed due to shipping issues, expected completion date is mid to late March 2023.

The Council discussed a date for Trick or Treat. Councilor Schmitt suggested we try something different this year and host it for Saturday October 29th, 2022, from 5-7pm due to the holiday being on a school night. The council agreed to accept this date.

The Clerk reported the following receipts and bills that were approved for payment in the consent agenda:

AFLAC	AFLAC	36.16
IPERS	IPERS	608.93
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	110.77
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	759.87
SAC CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	Q3 LAW CONTRACT	5,816.63
DONS PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	43
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	84.02
MIDWEST BREATHING AIR LLC	FAN BLADES-FIRE DEPT	272.92
THOMSON-STRACKE IMPLEMENT	AMBULANCE REPAIR	677.25
CAPITAL ONE	CLEANING SUPPLIES	38.34
JP COOKE CO	ANIMAL LICENSE TAGS	75.5


BOMGAARS	SHOP SUPPLIES	128.58
KRIS ALESCH	PHONE STIPEND	30
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	386.64
BOMGAARS	SHOP SUPPLIES	92.9
RUDD SANITATION & RECYCLE	GARBAGE & RECYCLE	6,829.00
SAC COUNTY SOLID WASTE AG	FY2023 Q1 ASSESSMENT	24,240.25
RUDD SANITATION & RECYCLE	GARBAGE & RECYCLE	2,078.00
AMAZON.COM	BOOKS	586.93
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	BOOKS	46.5
DEMCO	SUPPLIES	281.28
FRONTIER COMMUNICATION	TELEPHONES	75.32
OVERDRIVE, INC	BRIDGES CONTRACT	423.27
SCHALLER HERALD	NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTION	30
CAPITAL ONE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	182.84
C&B OPERATIONS,LLC	TRACTOR REPAIRS	169.77
IOWA AUTOMOTIVE MACHINE	MOWER OIL	18.64
LANDUS	WEED CHEMICAL	625.85
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	32.79
THOMSON-STRACKE IMPLEMENT	MOWER REPAIR	40.42
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	28.58
NOLL EXCAVATION	PADGET CREMATION	600
PHIL DAVIS	CEMETERY GROUNDS CARE	2,390.00
SCHMITT CONSTRUCTION	WTF- PAY APP #4	61,976.21
SHARON IRWIN	NW IA LEAGUE REIMBURSE	20
CHRONICLE	PUBLICATION	374.95
FRONTIER COMMUNICATION	TELEPHONES	113.19
GOOGLE	GSUITE	6
HEARTLAND MARKETING	WEBSITE MAINT	18.75
HISTORIC ROUTE 20	TRAVEL GUIDE MEMBERSHIP	350
IMFOA	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	126.5
MATT PARROTT	DOOR HANGERS	172.05
NORTHWEST IOWA LEAGUE	MEMBERSHIP DUES	25
OFFICE DEPOT, INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	36.78
TRI-COUNTY SPECIAL	PRINTING NEWSLETTER	271.98
VISUAL EDGE IT	PRINTING CHARGES	21.98
WELLS FARGO	PRINTER LEASE	29.66
DAVE JENNETT, P.C.	CUDABACK PARCEL PURCHASE	150
DONS PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	116
GUNKELMAN ELECTRIC SERVIE	CITY HALL REPAIRS	1,070.65
KING WELDING & REPAIR LLC	RAILING REPAIR	14
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	374.54
SCHMITT CONSTRUCTION	HADICAP STREET REPLACEMENT	393.75
SCHMITT CONTRACTING	HADICAP PARKING	2,140.00
AFLAC	AFLAC POST TAX	21.06
IPERS	IPERS	530.19
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	2.02

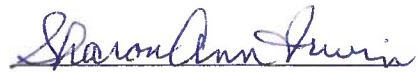
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	56.67
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	583.98
BOMGAARS	STREET SIGNS	53.75
D&C CONSTRUCTION	LABOR-HANDICAP PARKING	250
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	STREET SIGNS	1,180.20
JERIJEAN HALL	LABOR-HANDICAP PARKING	100
KING WELDING & REPAIR LLC	STREET DEPT	17.35
STRUCHEN CONSTRUCTION	LABOR- HANDICAP PARKING	170
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	FUEL	218.49
IOWA AUTOMOTIVE MACHINE	SHOP TRUCK	97.78
THOMSON-STRACKE IMPLEMENT	STREETS-PAYLOADER	504.98
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	786.75
IOWA AUTOMOTIVE MACHINE	SWEEPER REPAIRS	406.6
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMET	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURNACE	103.28
IMWCA	WORK COMP FY23	304.75
BUENA VISTA MEDICAL CENTER	PRE EMPLOYMENT	30
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMET	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURNACE	103.28
IMWCA	WORK COMP FY23	304.75
UNITYPOINT HEALTH-FORT D	PRE EMPOLYMENT	289
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	INSRUANCE	169.25
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMET	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURNACE	103.28
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMET	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURNACE	103.29
IMWCA	INSTALL4 WROKCOMP FY23	33
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	INSRUANCE	169.25
POWER SOLUTIONS	LAGOON GENERATOR-ARPA	14,453.32
WERNER SEWER AND SEPTIC LLC	LAGOON GENERATOR-ARPA	363.76
CARRIE SPENCER	PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT- DD59	114.25
AFLAC	AFLAC	78.03
IPERS	IPERS	621.92
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	6.64
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	147.78
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	909.52
AFLAC	INSURANCE	0.01
ARROWWOOD RESORT	IRWA CONFERENCE	68.2
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	INSURNACE	31.43
BOMGAARS	REIFF PARK/SHOP SUPPLIES	43.18
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER TESTING	236
GROWMARK FS	LEASE	50
GWORKS	NEW METER READ SOFTWARE	2,000.00
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT	CHEMICALS	301.43
IA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WATER EXCISE TAX	876.56
IAMU	Q3 SAFETY TRAINING	365.53
IMWCA	WORK COMP FY23	304.75
IOWA DNR	WATER USE PERMIT 3221-2023	115
KRIS ALESCH	PHONE STIPEND	30
KRUDICO INC	CHEMICALS	534.04

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	233.06
OFFICE DEPOT, INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	36.79
VISUAL EDGE IT	PRINTING CHARGES	29.43
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	INSRUANCE	677.01
WELLS FARGO	PRINTER LEASE	29.66
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	WATER TREATMENT FACILITY	36,983.00
CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICE	WATER TREATMENT PROJ	3,805.00
JOHN T JONES CONSTRUCTION	WATER TREATMENT PROJ	687,022.93
AFLAC	AFLAC POST TAX	77.99
IPERS	IPERS	621.89
GIS BENEFITS	LIFE INSURANCE	6.65
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	147.78
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	909.56
ARROWWOOD RESORT	IRWA CONFERENCE	68.2
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	INSURNACE	31.42
BOMGAARS	LAGOONS	135.93
GROWMARK FS	LEASE	50
IMWCA	WORK COMP FY23	314.75
MARTIN HILDRETH CO	SEWER MAIN EMERGENCY	864
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	POWER & GAS	43.92
OFFICE DEPOT, INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	36.78
REHAB SYSTEMS INC	SEWER MAIN-EMERGENCY CALL	1,132.50
VISUAL EDGE IT	PRINTING CHARGES	29.42
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS	INSRUANCE	677.01
WELLS FARGO	PRINTER LEASE	29.68
TOTAL		<u>885,851.39</u>

	EXPENSES	REVENUES
GENERAL	42,833.28	10,255.81
ROAD USE TAX	6,643.66	9,797.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	2,669.73	289.00
LOCAL OPTION SALES		
TAX	2,500.00	9,849.09
2021 ARPA FUNDING	14,817.08	
WATER UTILITY	17,562.86	27,578.50
WATER SINKING	567,754.97	747,708.57
SEWER UTILITY	11,698.56	8,586.09

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to close the meeting at 8:54 PM. Meeting closed.


Lexi Bainbridge, City Clerk


Sharon Ann Irwin, Mayor