

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 3rd day of December 2024. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor William Cougill called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with a roll call as follows: Present: Brandon Scadden, Christine Madden, Tim Langner, Brian Pickhinke, Becky Blackman. A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Scadden to approve the consent agenda including agenda, minutes, and bills for payment. On show of hands: Ayes: Scadden, Madden, Langner, Pickhinke, Blackman. Motion passed.

B. & C. Bainbridge returned in regard to the letter they received from Region XII for the “two rusted junk vehicles”. Mayor Cougill informed them that there was no new information available from the City Attorney at this time.

Current wages were reviewed for consideration in a wage increase for 2025. The council decided to table this matter until January 2025’s meeting.

No new building permits were received.

Old business from November’s meeting about a rezoning inquiry for the property of 223 N. Main Street was brought up. The Planning and Zoning Commission Board would need to meet in person to discuss this matter. Mayor Cougill will reach out to the Board members.

Rachel with ISG was not present. She emailed and informed Council that they are still waiting on lien waivers for the DD59 project. S. Carlyle did not respond to the inquiry about damage to her fence so Council will disregard any claims for damages accrued.

The City Attorney was not present.

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

AFLAC	AFLAC	123.51
IPERS	IPERS	638.68
SAC CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	GARNISHMENT	484.84
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	47.84
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	644.98
BOMGAARS	GENERATORS	52.17
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	FUEL	199.07
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	95.51
POWER SOLUTIONS	REPAIR GENERATOR	804.61
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	28.85

KRIS ALESCH	FILING CABINET	265
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	194.7
RUDD SANITATION & RECYCLE	GARBAGE & RECYCLE	3,483.75
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ALLEGIANT TECHNOLOGY	CLOUD FAX	45.01
AMAZON.COM	BOOKS	187.07
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	10.79
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	BOOKS	47.25
CHRONICLE	PUBLICATIONS	81
GORDON FLESCH CO, INC	COPIES	206.69
KRISTINE LUY	PHONE STIPEND	20
NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	10.95
ORIENTAL TRADING COMPANY	DECAT GRANT	186.12
CAPITAL ONE	BOOKS	8.78
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	41.96
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	21.06
THOMSON-STRACKE IMPLEMENT	LAWN MOWER REPAIRS	80.58
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	21.64
NOLL EXCAVATION	N. ZIMMER-FULL BURIAL	600
PHIL DAVIS	CEMETARY MOWING	375
BOMGAARS	CITY SIGN GRANT	179.53
G & K FABRICATION	CITY SIGN GRANT	600
MENARDS-FORT DODGE	CITY SIGN GRANT	88.61
STORM LAKE ACE HARDWARE	LIGHTS	119.92
CHRONICLE	PUBLICATIONS	2,071.89

GOOGLE	DOMAIN	7.2
NORTHWEST IOWA LEAGUE	CONFERENCE	50
VISUAL EDGE IT	PRINTING	37.97
WELLS FARGO	COPIER LEASE	29.66
BOMGAARS	GENERATORS	52.16
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	221.85
SUGAR BOWL	SAC COUNTY LEAGUE	81.72
IPERS	IPERS	70.55
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	68.62
JW CONSTRUCTION	STONE/TRUCKING	781.51
SCHMITT CONSTRUCTION	1ST & MAIN REPAIRS	525
SCHMITT CONTRACTING	STREET REPAIRS	3,405.00
SMITH CONCRETE SERVICE INC	6TH & WALNUT REPAIRS	2,922.25
CASEYS GENERAL STORE	FUEL	158.42
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	796.01
FASTENAL	SNOW PLOW	82.77
IMWCA	WORKER'S COMP	69.25
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TRUE NORTH	NOVEMBER INSTALLMENT	93.6
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EMPIRE EXCAVATING	PAY APP#9	10,212.59
REGION XII	DD59 ADMIN BILL #11	1,717.00
AFLAC	AFLAC PRETAX	210.81
IPERS	IPERS	1,069.18
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	205.74

TRIONFO SOLUTIONS, LLC	LIFE INSURANCE	30.34
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	1,291.20
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	INSURANCE	49.99
HACH COMPANY	CHEMICALS	1,365.55
IA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WATER EXCISE TAX	964.64
IAMU	Q4-SAFETY TRAINING	430
IMWCA	WORKER'S COMP	69.25
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	58
IOWA RURAL WATER ASSOC.	DUES	305
KRIS ALESCH	PHONE STIPEND	15
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	517.67
NEW CENTURY FS	PROPANE	25
SCHMITT CONSTRUCTION	1ST & MAIN REPAIRS	715
TRUE NORTH	NOVEMBER INSTALLMENT	10.4
VISUAL EDGE IT	PRINTING	56.95
WELLS FARGO	COPIER LEASE	29.66
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	WTF-INTEREST PAYMENT	38,866.36
AFLAC	AFLAC PRETAX	210.77
IPERS	IPERS	1,069.17
STATE OF IOWA TREASURER	STATE TAXES	205.71
TRIONFO SOLUTIONS, LLC	LIFE INSURANCE	30.36
US TREASURY	FED/FICA TAXES	1,291.18
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	INSURANCE	49.98
IMWCA	WORKER'S COMP	69.25
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO	UTILITIES	32.89

NEW CENTURY FS	PROPANE	25
TRUE NORTH	NOVEMBER INSTALLMENT	10.4
VISUAL EDGE IT	PRINTING	56.94
WELLS FARGO	COPIER LEASE	29.68
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SEWER-INTEREST PAYMENT	3,228.75
TOTAL		101,142.45

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke seconded by Councilor Scadden to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 PM. Meeting closed.

William Cougill, Mayor

Kristine Luy, Deputy Clerk