

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 7th day of October 2025. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor William Cougill called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with roll call as follows: Present: Brian Pickhinke, Brandon Scadden, Cory Tiefenthaler, Christine Madden. Not present – Tim Langner. A motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda including the agenda, and bill for payment. The minutes of the prior Council meeting were not available. On show of hands: Ayes: Pickhinke, Scadden, Tiefenthaler, and Madden. Motion passed.

The Mayor announced that Citizen input would be moved to later in the meeting.

Fire Chief – Present , Potential burn ban.

Library – Present, no action.

Sheriff – Not present, No action.

The City Attorney – Present, no action. Discussion topics of Dogs. Council will review sample Ordinances when presented.

No building permits.

Drought – Well Improvements – Wes Boyer with Bolton and Menk Engineering present as well as Lor and Tori. Review October 3 test memorandum. Quality and Capacity – no idea what water quality will be until there is a test well. Discussed bag filter system, well depth. Also, expense was discussed, Capital expenses vs Infrastructure expenses.

Temporary City Clerk is just keeping the daily going. No reports

Mayor's report: State Auditor contacted Mayor, 18 months longer. Water bills were late going out this month.

The Mayor reported that the personnel committee has selected one of the applicants for the Clerk position to offer the position to.

The Mayor was authorized to offer the position to the selected applicant at the rate of \$22.00 per hour.

The Mayor will report back to the Council if the applicant accepts the offer of employment.

Citizen Input: One Citizen spoke of concerns reported to her that there was no one on the clerk's office to accept utility payments.

The Mayor advised that the concern has been addressed and that the librarian will now take payments when she is working during library hours.

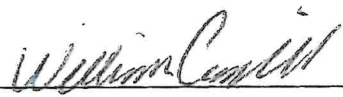
Nuisance Complaints were discussed, and council member are going to investigate and report if any action is needed to address the nuisances.

Water Dept – Kris states that end of next week will have sewer scoped behind Cory's shop. North side of 4th Street is where water is coming from. 302 E 3rd St. don't want him to come turn water off. 99,000 gallons fixed, 50,000 one small. North side of 4th cable cut when they did the project. Park on N side of 3rd street is open, needs a little more dirt. Fundraiser for gazebo at park. Painting lines when they mark the streets

A motion was made by Councilor Tiefenthaler and seconded by Councilor Madden to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Meeting was closed.



David P. Jennett, City Clerk Pro Tem



William Coughlin, Mayor