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Mercy’s Hiawatha Medical Park Celebrates Opening

Mercy Medical Center and Wolfe Eye Clinic, together with the City of Hiawatha, celebrated the opening of the new Hiawatha Medical Park, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, open house and picnic on July 21, 2017.

The three-story, 60,000 square foot medical facility, at 1195 Boyson Road, is home to Mercy’s new outpatient surgery center, while Wolfe Eye Clinic relocated to the new facility from its former downtown location in June.

The Hiawatha Medical Park consists of three separate components. The third floor of the building is the site of Mercy’s new outpatient surgery center, where eye surgeries are performed. Included on that floor are 11 pre-op and post-op rooms and two operating rooms, with additional space for future expansion.

The second floor is home to Wolfe Eye Clinic, offering multi-subspecialty medical and surgical eye care.

“With three times more space, our new office is more accommodating of our growing practice,” said Todd Gothard, MD, of Wolfe Eye Clinic. “It offers greater access and convenience for our patients and their loved ones, and will also allow us to bring additional specialists to the area, including a new fellowship-trained retina specialist in August.”

The building’s first floor is scheduled to open later this year as an extension of Mercy’s clinic services. Those services will include an Urgent Care, pharmacy, imaging and lab.

“We are responding to significant demand for conveniently located and more accessible care,” said Tim Charles, Mercy president and CEO. “The needs and wants of our patients are evolving. There’s been a push for many years to provide more treatment on an outpatient basis. This new initiative is extending the reach of *The Mercy Touch*® to ensure we continue to provide exceptional quality and service more conveniently.”

“It’s nice to have all this beautiful space to spread out and serve our patients even better,” said Kathy Becker, OR shift supervisor at Mercy. “From the time they enter the building, they’ll notice a calming atmosphere with private pre-op rooms, brand new operating rooms and a nice, private recovery area. Our goal is to provide a superior patient experience.”

Mercy worked on the Hiawatha Medical Park in concert with the City of Hiawatha. Mercy officials say they were drawn to the location, in part, by the city’s progressive and forward-thinking economic development strategies and leadership.

“This project is a great asset to our community, adding to our city’s quality of life,” said Bill Bennett, Hiawatha Mayor. “It offers a convenient location for our residents, and the business community, when they need care. It’s an overall excellent addition to our community.”

Mercy is leasing the space for the Hiawatha Medical Park from a local developer. The site was previously occupied by Duffy’s Collectible Cars.

Visit Mercy’s Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/MercyCedarRapids> to get a behind-the-scenes look at Hiawatha Medical Park.

Submitted by Karen Vander Sanden, Mercy Medical Center



Hiawatha Economic Development Corporation Sponsors the Sixth Annual State of the City

Hiawatha Economic Development Corporation (HEDCO) former Chair Jon Dusek welcomed approximately 150 attendees to the sixth annual State of the City on July 20 hosted by HEDCO, held at the Kirkwood Regional Center on Boyson Road. Newly appointed Chair Kyle Kunz officiated the remainder of the presentation and presented service appreciation plaques to Jon Dusek for his service as chairperson and Scott Gasway for his service on the HEDCO Board both as chair and board member.



Mayor Bennett presented the State of the City Address where he touched on the Tower Terrace Road Interchange Project saying the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) officially approved their five (5) year plan and it included the Tower Terrace Road Interchange project in 2022. The remainder of the Mayor's presentation focused on his 2016 election platform of lowering taxes in the City of Hiawatha.

HEDCO Chair Kyle Kunz introduced four (4) Hiawatha business owners Hassan Igram of Cedar Graphics, Doug Sevey of Enseva, Dr. CJ Kleene of Back In Line Chiropractic & Wellness PC, and Jim Shaw of Crystal Group who shared experiences of growing their businesses in Hiawatha and lessons learned along the way. Attendees also enjoyed a short Business Success Story video of each company. The Business Success Stories are part of HEDCO's marketing initiative to create a strong brand position for Hiawatha, promote the Hiawatha brand through increased awareness, and strengthen the business network while increasing economic development. The Business Success Story videos can be viewed on the HEDCO website at <https://www.hedco.org/business-success-stories/>. We invite all of you to check out these amazing testimonies from a business owner's point of view.

If you are not familiar with the companies who presented at the State of the City, HEDCO Chair Kyle Kunz gave a great introduction to each one as shared in the information below:

- Cedar Graphics is one of Hiawatha's oldest businesses. They were a part of Hiawatha's first economic development expansion in the 80's along with Parson's Technology who is GoDaddy today. Cedar Graphics is a family owned and operated company who has endured the printing market changes by thinking out of the box. They have been named for a sixth time as the best printer in the Corridor.
- Enseva is a next-generation datacenter and cloud solution provider who became a Hiawatha business in late 2012. Doug often calls Mary Meisterling a pit bull when it comes to bringing economic development to Hiawatha but in our minds Doug himself is our pit bull when it comes to the future of datacenters.
- CJ Kleene of Back In Line Chiropractic & Wellness PC is our youngest entrepreneur who drinks the Hiawatha water. Those are her words. She comes with a lot of pride in her community as she does in caring for her patients as a chiropractor and for those who help her educate others in living a healthy lifestyle.
- Crystal Group's Executive VP of Engineering Jim Shaw has responsibility for guiding the Engineering department and is the leading member of their product development team. Jim always speaks with a lot of excitement when it comes to rugged servers and workstations. Today Jim adds to this excitement with an 102,000 square foot business expansion to be completed next year.



Hiawatha Police Department Welcomes New Officer

The Hiawatha Police Department welcomes its newest hire, Officer James Vick. Officer Vick replaces recently retired Officer Gary Manhart. Officer Vick was sworn in on June 26, 2017.

Prior to finding his interest in law enforcement, Officer Vick served his country in the Iowa National Guard while serving two tours in Afghanistan. Officer Vick joined the Hiawatha Police Department as a Reserve Police Officer from 2014-2015. Officer Vick learned that municipal law enforcement was his calling. He briefly left the area pursuing full time employment as a police officer and returns to our community as a Certified Peace Officer.

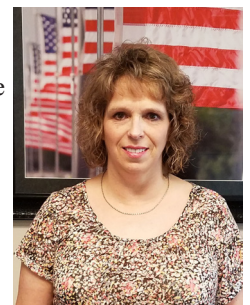


Please join us in welcoming Officer Vick back to the department and the community. Congratulations, Officer Vick!

The City of Hiawatha welcomes new Library Board Member April Neuendorf!

April Neuendorf was appointed to the Library Board effective July 1, 2017 and will serve a six year term ending June 30, 2017.

Welcome April!



Hiawatha Council Action

August 2017

July 5, 2017

RESOLUTION #17-128 approving sewer waiver on second water meter for 1305 Boyson Loop.	17-113 & 17-114 approving the purchase of 2018 Tandem Dump Truck Chassis, & purchase of Truck Body, Snow Plow & Hi-Lift Tailgate in response to Mayor Veto.	for the property legally described as Bali Hai First Addition Lot 2 & addressed as 2111 Robins Road.
RESOLUTION #17-129 approving & authorizing execution of a 5 year Development Agreement by & among the City of Hiawatha, Edge Holdings, LLC & The Dancer's Edge L.L.C.	RESOLUTION #17-130 passed with 4 AYES & 1 NAY.	RESOLUTION #17-132 approving & adopting amended Financial Hardship Policy.
RESOLUTION #17-130 reinstating Resolution #'s	RESOLUTION #17-131 approving the design of a new maintenance garage to the Hiawatha Design Guidelines	RESOLUTION #17-133 approving & adopting amended Uncollectible Accounts Policy.

July 19, 2017

RESOLUTION #17-134 approving sewer waiver on second water meter for 3503 Fitzroy Road. <i>Motion approving a special event request to hold a 5K Run/Walk in Hiawatha on 9/16/17, as submitted by El Kahir Shrine located at 905 Tower Terrace Road.</i> City Council & staff held general discussion on the fireworks ordinance. <i>Motion approving of appointing the Fire Department Deputy Chief EMS position.</i>	2016-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Phase 2 Roadway Package Project, & directing City Clerk to make payment to Rathje Construction Co., of Marion, in the amount of \$279,158.19.
RESOLUTION #17-135 authorizing the Fire Department purchase of LED flood/spot lighting for Fire Engine 286 at a total cost not to exceed \$5,591.13, with Kelttek Incorporated of Baxter, IA, utilizing available funding in Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	RESOLUTION #17-141 approving an Iowa Department of Transportation Adopt-A-Highway Application to perform clean-up work along I-380 N as submitted by Robert Merritt of CI3 Control Installations of Iowa, Inc.
RESOLUTION #17-136 approving a Business Associate Agreement between Hiawatha Fire & Rescue and Mercy Medical Center to provide home visits to high risk patients, agreement is approved upon language changes recommended & drafted by City Attorney.	RESOLUTION #17-142 authorizing the replacement of the phone system at all city facilities, purchase of wireless headsets & installation of 10G switches at a total cost not to exceed \$84,581.50, with phone replacement project contract awarded to Technicom Communication Systems of Cedar Rapids, utilizing available funding in Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) in Local Option Sales & Service Tax Dollars (LOSST) & Equipment Reserve Funds.
RESOLUTION #17-137 approving & awarding contract to Rathje Construction Co. of Marion, in the amount of \$60,494 for the construction of the 2017 Boyson Road Capacity Improvements Project at North Center Point Road & I-380.	RESOLUTION #17-143 approving & adopting amended Blood-Borne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan & Procedures.
RESOLUTION #17-138 approving Change Order #1 for the 2016-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Phase 2 Roadway Package Project with Rathje Construction Co., of Marion, with an increase in contract amount of \$13,101.50, resulting in a revised total project contract amount of \$2,826,836.26.	RESOLUTION #17-144 approving & adopting amended Hearing Conservation Program.
RESOLUTION #17-139 approving Change Order #2 for the 2016-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Phase 2 Roadway Package Project with Rathje Construction Co., of Marion, with an increase in contract amount of \$7,310, resulting in a revised total project contract amount of \$2,819,526.26.	RESOLUTION #17-145 approving & adopting amended Lockout/Tagout Policy.
RESOLUTION #17-140 approving application for Partial Pay Estimate #8 for the	RESOLUTION #17-146 adopting a City of Hiawatha Safety Manual for all employees.
	RESOLUTION #17-147 amending Section VII Substance Abuse Policy by adding an exception under Workplace Accident Testing requiring law enforcement to investigate motor vehicle accidents on the roadway where the damage is estimated to exceed \$1,500, & amending Section III Seatbelt Restraint Policy by adding language to describe instances where occupants of vehicles would be exempt from safety belt requirements in connection with Employee Policy Manual Amendments (& amending the Part-Time / Temporary / Seasonal Employee Policy Manual accordingly).

August Calendar

- 02 City Council Meeting 5:30 PM
- 06 Farmers Market 11:00AM-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 08 City Hall Closed 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- 08 Parks Commission Meeting 6:00 PM
- 08 Library Board Meeting 7:00 PM
- 09 Council meeting airs 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ch 4 (IMON) 7:00 PM Ch 18 (Mediacom)
- 13 Farmers Market 11:00AM-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 14 History Committee Meeting 1:30 PM
- 14 Board of Adjustment Meeting 6:00 PM
- 15 Water Board Meeting 5:30 PM
- 16 City Council Meeting 5:30 PM
- 20 Farmers Market 11:00 AM-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 23 Council meeting airs 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ch 4 (IMON) 7:00 PM Ch 18 (Mediacom)
- 25 Hiawatha Fun Fest (6 PM - 11 PM)
- 26 Hiawatha Fun Fest (8 AM - 10 PM)
- 27 Farmers Market 11:00AM-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 28 P&Z Meeting 5:30 PM

September Calendar

- 03 Farmers Market 11:00AM-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 04 HOLIDAY - City Hall Closed
- 06 City Council Meeting 5:30 PM
- 10 Farmers Market 11:00AM-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 11 History Committee Meeting 1:30 PM
- 11 Board of Adjustment Meeting 6:00 PM
- 12 Parks Commission Meeting 6:00 PM
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Hiawatha Public Works Department

Sometimes the efforts are obvious and everyone is familiar with seeing the Hiawatha Public Works Department out and about during a snowstorm. Plowing and sanding the streets so residents can get to work or appointments. Did you ever wonder who to call when you can no longer see the stop sign, drive around a pot hole, or have tree damage because of a major thunderstorm? What number do you dial when the catch basins are blocked and the street is flooding? How about when the public detention ponds become overgrown and no longer function as designed? All of these issues, and countless others are dealt with daily by the employees of the Hiawatha Public Works Department.

Our duties and responsibilities don't end there. We also are responsible for the ongoing maintenance and cleaning of the public parking lots, mowing and trimming of roadsides, sweeping and cleaning streets, street line painting, replacing and repairing signs, maintenance of traffic signals, basic maintenance of all city-owned vehicles, and cleaning and maintenance of all public storm and sanitary sewers.

The department consists of 5 full-time employees, Superintendent Rod Jasa - 26 years, Foreman Trent Coberly - 25 years, Equipment Operators Rob Opfer - 16 years, Kevin Beckner - 13 years and Kirk Stout - 5 years. Public Works has an excellent staff with a variety of skills. Hiawatha has approximately 40 miles of roadway. While the size of the City has increased along with our responsibilities, the department has been able to keep up with the demand by increasing efficiency while keeping costs down.



Make Room for Imagination!

The Hiawatha Public Library moves forward in their initiative to expand and staff is excited to finally be able to share our plans with you! We have been working to create an expanded and renovated library with donations from the public, and area businesses and organizations, as well as City funding that has already been allocated for the project.



The planned project renovates the existing 8,500 square-foot-space and adds another 13,500 square feet. In addition to creating a dedicated youth space and tween zone, the plan expands and gives proper space to technology areas. Two study rooms will help patrons learn and work, and expanded program space will accommodate large crowds for popular programming and community gatherings. The addition of a lower level provides additional adult space, space for emergency shelter, storage and HVAC.

Of the \$4.1 million needed for the project \$1 million will come from existing Local Option Sales Tax income. The library has raised nearly \$700,000 of a one-million dollar Phase I goal. Phase II will raise the remaining \$1.2 million through donations and grants. An not to exceed \$1.2 million capital bond, which is planned for the November ballot. The ballot request will not place an additional tax burden on the citizens of Hiawatha. The passing of the bond would provide the residents of Hiawatha with an updated facility while adding much needed program space and lend to improved work flow, with no additional tax dollars since it is already in the City budget. The Hiawatha Public Library "Make Room for Imagination" Capital Campaign is the perfect example of public-private partnership. It's a win-win for our City, our children, our patrons, and the greater community as a whole.

To donate to the Capital Campaign please visit:
www.hiawathapubliclibrary.org/make-room-for-imagination.html

Unified Development Code (UDC) Review Committee July Update

The UDC review committee held their initial meeting on July 13, 2017. The committee was able to review the zoning district definitions in 165.14 and the general land use regulations found in section 165.15.

The committee is scheduled to begin looking at specific uses for each district and land use matrix at their next meeting on August 10, 2017. This section will require the most attention since it is a complete rewrite of section 165.16 and the land use matrix.

Committee Objectives:

- Simplify our UDC to assure consistent interpretations
- Modify the requirements to match present zoning policies
- Amend the UDC to align with the Comp Plan 2036 objectives
- Update the language and references to reflect new planning methods

Proposed Meeting Dates:

- July 13, 2017
- August 10, 2017
- September 14, 2017
- October 12, 2017
- November 9, 2017
- December 14, 2017 (if necessary)

All meetings will be held in the lower level meeting room at Hiawatha City Hall and are scheduled to begin at 5:30 PM. All meetings are open to the public.

Sanitary Sewer Televising Project of Sewer Lines

Visu-Sewer from Pewaukee, WI has completed a sanitary sewer televising project of the sewer lines in the area bounded by Tower Terrace Road, Boyson Road, I-380 and Robins Road. This is part of a five year plan to clean and televise all the sewer lines in Hiawatha. We are currently on year two of the plan. We are looking for any areas where water infiltration is occurring. Water infiltration can increase our sewer flow rates to the City of Cedar Rapids. We will review the reports from Visu-Sewer and budget to repair any leaks that are found upon completion of testing.

First Federal Credit Union

Thank you First Federal Credit Union for sponsoring Hiawatha Soccer this summer!

The Hiawatha History Committee Presents

"Did You Know" the history behind Hiawatha street names?

Rainbow Blvd

Rainbow Blvd was named after realty company owned by Mildred McGowen.



Pirie Drive

Pirie Drive was named after Dr. Pirie a veterinarian who owned a bull farm.

Blastball in Full Swing

Blastball started July 10, 2017 on the Diamonds in Guthridge Park. Similar to t-ball, children hit the ball off a tee, run to first base...and it HONKS! While in this super fun sport, children learn the fundamentals of baseball and softball, batting, fielding and catching; while also learning the value of teamwork and sportmanship. Many thanks to the volunteers who made this program possible, as well as World Class Industries, who sponsored the program.



Flashing Lights added to Boyson Road Crossing

Flashing lights were recently added to the Cedar Valley Nature Trail at the Boyson Road crossing. We have received several calls wondering what drivers are supposed to do. These lights serve as a visual reminder for drivers to slow down and yield to pedestrians crossing the roadway. Iowa code 321.327 states in part ...the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk.....

Question: If the lights are flashing and no pedestrians are present, do I have to stop?

Answer: No. The flashing yellow lights are a visual reminder to yield for pedestrians. Slow and proceed with caution if no pedestrians are present.



North Center Point Road/Emmons Street/Robins Road Intersection Improvement Phase II Construction

The new intersection is now complete. Robins Road and Emmons Street are now open and using the new intersection under a four-way stop condition. Work is now progressing on the east one half of North Center Point Road from Robins Road to Clark Street. This work should take approximately one month before all lanes can be completed and reopened on North Center Point Road. Plan for traffic delays during this phase and please proceed with caution as a considerable amount of construction equipment is working in the area.

The work includes a new traffic signal, new street lights, new bike trail, and landscaping along the curbs and sidewalks. The last phase will be the reconstruction of Robins Road from North Center Point Road to just south of Chaffee Drive. Project completion date is November 2017.

Any questions can be directed to the City Engineer at: cityengineer@hiawatha-iowa.com.



Friday	
6—9	8 Seconds Band & Kiwanis Concessions
9—11	Movie Under the Moon-Voting will take place on Facebook in July!
Saturday	
8	5K Fireman's Run
8—10	HICREW Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
10—9	Food Vendors-Shriners, Girl Scouts, Ruby's Pizza, Women's Auxiliary, Kona Ice, Cedar Ridge, Clock House Brewery
11—12	Hiawatha Parade
12—8	Activities for Kids & Adults
	-Library-Large coloring book 12-3pm
	-Macaroni Kid Children's Craft 12-3pm
	-Iowa Kids Sight 12-3pm
	-Face Painting 12-5pm
	-Junior Fire Fighter Obstacle 12-4pm
	-Hiawatha Kids League Inflatable's 12-7pm
	-Rock Wall/Army Vehicles- National Guard 12-5pm
	-Euro Bungee 12-7pm
	-Trackless Train 12-5pm
	-Kids Tractor Pull 1:00pm registration, 1:30pm start time.
	-Shriners Adult Bags Tournament 1:00pm
	-Water balloon contest 2:00pm
	-Children's festival games 12-4pm
	-Culvers Ice Cream Eating Contest 3:00pm
	-Smash a Car Legion Fundraiser 12-8pm
	-Clark Park Glow in the Dark Disc Golf Tournament 7:30pm
12--9	Entertainment
	-Community Entertainment- 12-2pm (CR Spirits, Craig Gymnastics, Dancers Edge)
	-K9 Demo with Reso and Officer Naak 2-3pm
	-42 Romeo Rock Band (Army Band) 4-6pm
	-Breakfast Club Band 6-9pm
9-9: 30	Fireworks at Dusk!!!



Roadway Reconfiguration Proposed on North Center Point Road Emmons Street to Boyson Road

A roadway reconfiguration known as a Road Diet offers several high-value improvements at a low cost when applied to traditional four-lane undivided highways. In addition to low cost, the primary benefits of a Road Diet include enhanced safety, mobility and access for all road users and a "complete streets" environment to accommodate a variety of transportation modes.

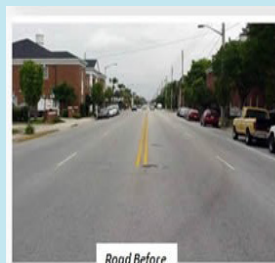
A Road Diet typically involves converting an existing four-lane, undivided roadway segment to a three-lane segment consisting of two through lanes and a center, two-way left turn lane.

The resulting benefits include a crash reduction, reduced vehicle speed, improved mobility and access by all road users. A key feature of a Road Diet is that it allows reclaimed space to be allocated for other users, such as turn lanes, bus lanes, pedestrian refuge islands, and bike lanes. As more communities desire "complete streets" and move livable spaces, they look to agencies to find opportunities to better integrate pedestrian and bicycle facilities and transit options along their corridors. When a Road Diet is planned in conjunction with reconstruction projects, the safety and operational benefits are achieved essentially for the cost of restriping.

The cities consultant has a draft plan for the re-configuration project on North Center Point Road between Emmons Street and Boyson Road. At this time, we feel no changes should be included between the Emmons Street intersection and Blairs Ferry Road.

The existing paving north of Emmons Street will provide sufficient width for a three-lane section and two bike lanes 6.5 feet wide and a three foot buffer area on each side. This will work well with the posted speed limit of 35mph and provide a very safe riding area for bikes and bus stop lanes. The proposed painting plan includes removing all the existing lines and symbols and painting of the lines as shown on the plan.

Upon Council approval, we plan to have the existing contractor working on the Emmons Street/Robins Road/North Center Point Road roadway repainted prior to opening the new intersection.



Road Before



Road After

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Larry K. Fox & Associates Ribbon Cutting

Larry K. Fox & Associates members were presented a commemorative plaque by Hiawatha Mayor Bill Bennett during a ribbon-cutting and open house event for the Ameriprise private wealth management company's new Hiawatha office on June 27.



Their office is located at:
1055 Longfellow Drive, Suite A
Hiawatha, IA
(319) 200-2520

Welcome Larry K. Fox & Associates!

GoDaddy Remodel Hiawatha Office



GoDaddy located at 1 Parsons Drive, celebrated their most recent remodel of the Hiawatha office by adding to their unique culture creating satisfied customers but more importantly satisfied employees.

The remodel included a top-to-bottom redo of the space and the addition of 12,000 square feet. GoDaddy now employees almost 700 employees in the Hiawatha space, including customer service, marketing staff and developers.

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