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Hiawatha Insights

New Auto Attendant Phone System

City staff is always looking for ways to improve services for our residents in an effective and efficient manner. After reviewing the way we provide service to you when you call into City Hall, we have determined there is a more efficient means of directing your calls to the right person in the right department.

On June 9, 2011, the City implemented an auto attendant within our phone system. The auto attendant will give you the ability to quickly choose the appropriate department to more efficiently handle your calls.

The recorded message will prompt you to choose a number that corresponds with the specific department you seek. This will eliminate having to speak with multiple people to provide you with the information you need. You will also have the option of choosing "0" to exit the attendant and speak with someone directly if you are unsure which department can best help you. Your feedback is important to us and we appreciate any suggestions you might suggest to help us fine tune this system.

City Hall Extensions

Building, Development or Inspections

229 Mark Power, Community Development Director

228 Jim Fisher, Assistant Building Official

221 Chad Breidinger, Code Enforcement Officer

231 Sara Lunsford, Permit Technician/Community Development Administrative Assistant

Building Maintenance

560 Jerry Rowray, Building Maintenance

City Administrator Office

526 Gary Rogers

City Clerk Office

523 Kim Downs, City Clerk

538 Kelly Kornegor, Deputy City Clerk

274 Stacy Schryba-Mead, IT Administrator/Administrative Assistant

Finance Office

522 Cindy Kudrna, Finance Director

Mayor Office

525 Tom Theis, Mayor

Parks & Recreation/ Park or Community Center Rentals or Farmers Market

251 Angie Cole, Park & Recreation Director

216 Liz Goater, Recreation Coordinator

Police Department

133 Dennis Marks, Police Chief

135 Seth Allen, Police Sergeant

191 Ben Kamm, Police Sergeant

196 Trent MacTaggart, Police Sergeant

134 Angela Melton, Police Administrative Assistant

Water Department

232 Carl Ransford, Water Superintendent

209 Marty Recker, Water Systems Supv.

230 Deb Larson, Water Clerk I

227 Sara Ries, Water Clerk II

History Commission Remembers Hiawatha Happenings

Hiawatha's first newspaper (1970-1972) was called Hiawatha Happenings, printed by Wheeler Printing Inc.

The paper was started by Bob Gehring, who was the editor and did the advertising sales with the help of Staff Illustrator, Jerry Kulhavy, Sports Writer, Bob Bentrim Jr., and local reporters, Pat Meeker and Kitty Davis. Delivery was done house to house and businesses by Rob and Rick Wheeler, ages 13 and 11.

The cost of the paper was .75 cents a month or .25 cents per issue. Classified ads were \$1.00 min. (10 words or less) and .05 cents per word over ten.

Wheeler Printing, owned by Jim Wheeler, was located at 113 Fisher Street, Hiawatha. The building was the oil bulk plant originally owned by Gordon Emmons. The print shop originated in Jim's garage on 6th Avenue in Hiawatha, then moved to "Bud" Wheeler's basement on Clark Street before moving to the Fisher Street location.



City Election November 8, 2011

A regular City election will be held on November 8, 2011. The City of Hiawatha will have three (3) Council positions and the Mayor position to be filled with this next election. City elections in Hiawatha are held in odd-numbered years. Elected officials serve a four-year term.

To hold an office in the city, a candidate must be an eligible elector. To be an eligible elector, the candidate must meet the same qualifications required to vote and be a resident of the city he or she plans to serve.

All candidates must complete and submit an Affidavit of Candidacy with their nomination papers. This affidavit is a written form that includes the office being sought and the candidate's signature witnessed by a notary public. The candidate also needs to state that he or she is an eligible elector. Circumstances making a candidate ineligible are felony convictions and mental instability. Papers can be picked up at the City Clerk's office or at the County Election office.

The following are important dates to remember:

Monday, August 29, 2011 - Candidate filing begins - First day to file nomination petitions with the city clerk.

Thursday, September 22, 2011 - Candidate Filing Deadline - Last day to file nomination papers in the office of the city clerk, must be received by 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 8, 2011 - Regular Election Day - Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

Mobile Demand's New State of the Art Facility

Join the Entrepreneurial Development Center (EDC) for an evening of networking at featured client MobileDemand's new state-of-the-art facility in Hiawatha. Learn about the key strategies this tech company has executed to allow them to once again be named as one of the Fastest Growing Companies in the Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Corridor! Plus, meet other 2011 Fastest Growing Companies recipients and gain insights from these area professionals on how they took their companies to the next level.

When: Tuesday, July 12th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. - Stop out at 4:30 p.m. to view the ribbon cutting celebration with the Cedar Rapids Chamber. A brief program will begin at 5:20 p.m. - doors remain open throughout the event.

Where: MobileDemand (1501 Boyson Square Dr., Suite 101, Hiawatha, IA 52233)

Cost: Free

RSVP: Visit www.edcinc.org or call 319-369-4955.



Tree trimming season is here again!

City staff has noticed trees that overhang streets and sidewalks becoming an issue in our City neighborhoods. The City Code requires that trees be kept trimmed eight (8) feet above sidewalks and fifteen (15) feet above the street surface. It is much easier to trim branches when needed and before they are damaged by larger truck traffic, resulting in broken branches and injury to the trees.

Trimming maintenance is the responsibility of the property owner to perform. The City will send out notices to property owners if we receive complaints of low hanging branches. We would encourage property owners to be proactive and keep their trees trimmed.

Below are some examples of trees that are in need of trimming as they hang lower than the Code allows.



4th Annual Parks & Recreation Bike Rodeo

The Hiawatha Parks and Recreation Department hosted their 4th Annual Bike Rodeo on May 27, 2011 in Guthridge Park. The event was sponsored by the Iowa Trial Lawyers Association, Tom Riley Law Firm, Hi-CREW Kiwanis Club, and Hawkeye Bike Club. Participants were given a free helmet fitted correctly by the Hawkeye Bike Club. The Hiawatha Police Department, along with Hi-CREW Kiwanis conducted bike safety riding tips and education on hand signals. They were able to demonstrate proper stopping procedures and how to use proper hand signals for turns. After completing the bike stations, the children decorated their bikes for a bike parade around Guthridge Park. We were able to give out an estimated 50 helmets to participants. "Bicycles are associated with more childhood injuries than any other consumer product except the automobile." Bike helmets have been shown to reduce the risk of head injury. The donation of helmets and teaching of bicycle safety aids in preventing future bike injuries.



Hiawatha Recreation Programs are in Full Swing!

Hiawatha offers creative, structured play opportunities for children with our summer recreation programs. The Hiawatha Playground, Tot-Lot, and Youths in Parks programs serve as a tool for children to build new relationships, encourage fitness, and escape the everyday of "downloadable" play. These programs reach over 70 children in grades Kindergarten through 8th. The Hiawatha Adventure Camp runs in two sessions with a few openings for second session!

Smart Start Soccer is for 3,4,5 year olds and Tennis for all ages have also started. Smart Start Soccer prepares players for organized soccer in a fun, non-competitive environment. We have over 200 participating with over 45 coaches.

Tennis lessons have over 30 participants ages 4-10 and openings still available in session 2 and 3.

For questions or more information, please check our website at www.hiawatha-iowa.com or contact Angie Cole or Liz Goater at Hiawatha City Hall.



Council Action

June 1, 2011

- Resolution 11-117 - Approving Not for Profit Agency request for Parks and Recreation Event Policy and Procedures.
- Resolution 11-118 - Approving implementation of Recreation Software.
- Resolution 11-119 - Approving Final Plat of Tower Commerce Center First Addition.
- Resolution 11-120 - Accepting Improvements and approving Maintenance Bonds for Pines at Turtle Creek First Addition and Second Addition.
- Resolution 11-121 - Releasing Development Agreement for Pines at Turtle Creek First Addition.
- Resolution 11-122 - Awarding contract to LL Pelling Co. Inc., of North Liberty in an amount of \$108,516 for Loggerhead Road and Tower Terrace Road Seal Coat Project.
- Resolution 11-128 - Approving Holiday Schedule for FY 2011-2012.
- Resolution 11-129 - Approving Local Option Sales and Service Tax Five (5) Year Plan Reprofiting.
- Resolution 11-130 - Approving the change of the Debt Service Rate.

June 14, 2011

- Ordinance 706 - Approving amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinance Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.16:16: PUD Planned Unit Development Overlay district deleting the five (5) acre requirement.
- Ordinance 707 - Approving amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinance Chapter 24 Parks and Recreation Commission in its entirety and adopt a revised Chapter 24 Parks and Recreation Commission.
- Ordinance 708 - Approving amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinance Chapter 47 Park Regulations in its entirety and adopt a revised Chapter 47 Park Regulations.
- Resolution 11-131 - Initiating the Boyson Road and Robins Road Intersection Project and authorizing the Acquisition of Agricultural Property by Gift, Negotiation, or Eminent Domain.
- Resolution 11-132 - Adopting the Resolution of Necessity proposed for the Stamy Road from North of Kacena Road to Tower Terrace Road Pavement Extension Project, and review of additional costs of deficiency and legal fees and the ability to waive any necessary fees at the end of the project.
- Resolution 11-133 - Declaring the rental property operated by Eagle Property Management located at 102 Oak Street as a repeat violator as per Code of Ordinance Chapter 106 Resource Recovery and Refuse disposal §106.06 (1) Frequency of Collection.
- Resolution 11-134 - Approving sidewalk deferment for Lot 12, Stonegate Fourth Addition - 2705 Stonegate Court.
- Resolution 11-135 - Authorizing staff to proceed with Solicitation of Proposals for a Virtual Server for City Hall.
- Resolution 11-136 - Authorizing Finance Director to make appropriate Interfund Transfer of Local Option Sales Tax Funds in the amount of \$380,000 and record the same for FY 2011.
- Resolution 11-137 - Approving Employee Dental Insurance with Metlife at a 13.50% rate increase and Short Term Disability Insurance with Lincoln Financial at no rate increase for July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012.
- Resolution 11-138 - Amending the 2010 Employee Policy Manual Sections VIII Family Medical Leave Act adding additional language to comply with new Federal regulations, VII Reimbursement for Personal Cellular Phones used for City Purposes adding additional language for requirements for reimbursement and the storage of monthly cell phone statements, & Drug and Alcohol Policy Section V Substance Abuse Testing Programs Drug Testing adding alcohol to the list of tested drugs.
- Resolution 11-139 - Amending 2010 Part-Time/Temporary/Seasonal Employee Policy Manual Section Drug and Alcohol Policy Section V Substance Abuse Testing Programs Drug Testing adding alcohol to the list of tested drugs.
- Resolution 11-140 - Rescinding Resolution 11-130 and authorizing a Change to the Debt Service Levy Rate from \$3.63261 to \$3.09776 for a total levy rate of \$15.53068.

Projects

North Center Point Pavement Reconstruction Project

Pavement reconstruction of North Center Point Road between Ketelsen Drive and CCB Packaging near Tower Terrace Road is complete. The next phase of this project will be to close and reconstruct the intersection of Tower Terrace Road and North Center Point Road. This is anticipated to start between the weeks of June 27th and July 11th. The intersection will likely be closed for most of July. A marked detour route will be in place to direct traffic around the road closure.

Stamy Road Pavement Extension Project

The Stamy Road Pavement Extension project is located between Tower Terrace Road and the end of the existing concrete street to the south. This project will reconstruct 1300 feet of worn seal coat street to a concrete street with curb and gutter. Storm sewer, sanitary sewer and water main will also be extended with the new road. The intersection at Tower Terrace Road will be widened to include a left turn lane. The City received a \$351,000 Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) grant from the state to assist with funding. It is scheduled to bid on July 27, 2011, with a late start date of August 22, 2011. The pavement is scheduled to be completed in November, with final seeding in Spring 2012.

Loggerhead Road & Tower Terrace Road Seal Coat Project

The Loggerhead Road Seal Coat Project includes a seal coat overlay of Loggerhead Road between Tower Terrace Road and Hunt Road to the north. Tower Terrace Road between Interstate 380 and North Center Point Road will also receive a new seal coat application. Pot holes and other rough spots will be re-graded before the seal coat is applied. The total project length is 1.5 miles. The project will include road closures with marked detour routes and will be coordinated with construction activities now underway on North Center Point Road. The project has been awarded to LL Pelling of North Liberty in the amount of \$108,516. The late start date is August 22, 2011, and work should be complete in early September 2011.



Stamy Road Project



Loggerhead Road Project

JULY 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park	4 City Hall Closed	5	6 Council 7pm	7	8	9
10 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park	11 History 1:30 p.m. Board of Adj. 7p.m.	12 Library 7p.m.	13 Council Airs 7p.m. Channel 18	14 Council Airs 10a.m. Channel 18	15 Concert in Park, Adobanga-7pm	16
17 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park	18	19 Parks 6:30 p.m. Water 6:30 p.m.	20 Council 7pm	21	22	23
24 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park	25 P&Z 6p.m.	26	27 Council Airs 7p.m. Channel 18	28 Council Airs 10a.m. Channel 18	29	30
31 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park						

AUGUST 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Council 7pm	4	5	6
7 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park	8 History 1:30 p.m. Board of Adj. 7p.m.	9 Parks 6:30 p.m. Library 7p.m.	10 Council Airs 7p.m. Channel 18	11 Council Airs 10a.m. Channel 18	12	13
14 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park	15	16 Water 6:30 p.m.	17 Council 7pm	18	19 Concert in Park, Large Midgets 7pm	20
21 Farmer's Market 11 am - 2 pm Guthridge Park	22	23	24 Council Airs 7p.m. Channel 18	25 Council Airs 10a.m. Channel 18	26	27
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Bike Patrol Article

In 2009 our bicycle patrol program was first introduced. We began with two certified officers and bikes. Since then we have added one additional officer and bike. The program has been very successful receives positive comments. Our officers utilize the bicycles during special events around town including; concerts in the park, farmers market, Hog Wild Days, parks department's bike rodeo, and Isaac Newton's annual bike ride through town. The bike patrol is also utilized to address specific areas of concern. Having an officer on a bicycle increases our versatility and mobility. Additionally, when approaching suspicious situations, the bike officer can often approach undetected. Last year, we experienced a slight increase in daytime burglaries in some of our higher density population areas. A bike officer was able to recognize two suspects and make the arrests. Having a bike patrol officer in the area was crucial in apprehending these individuals. Lastly, when staffing permits, our certified bike officers conduct routine patrol similar to those officers in patrol cars. This allows us to cover areas that are difficult to patrol with the squad car. Another benefit to the bike patrol program is the accessibility this gives the officer to citizens. Conversely, when the officers are not busy, please do not hesitate to make the most of this accessibility. Every officer is willing to answer any questions you may have about the program or anything else police related.



Hiawatha Bike Patrol Officer Pat Kremer with Isaac Newton annual bike ride through town.

Introducing ROI Marketing

ROI Marketing Services was founded in 2002 and has been operated out of our Hiawatha "World Headquarters" since then. Using experiences in packaged goods and services as well as educational marketing, we have worked with new companies desiring to brand or rebrand as well as community/technical colleges who desire to more effectively reach out to their diverse audiences. Founder and CEO Carl J. Sefl spent 17 years heading up marketing and admissions for Kirkwood Community College after 8 years as a VP for a large advertising and public relations agency. Sefl began his career in the retail and packaged goods markets in the Chicagoland area. In summary terms, ROI Marketing Services is based on a belief and operating principle that marketing should not be considered an expense but, indeed, an investment for specific, measurable results.

ROI Marketing Services is located at 135 Alwine Court in Hiawatha and can be reached by calling (319) 378-1383.

Toyota Steps Up To The Plate!

The Hiawatha Parks and Recreation Department received a 2008 white Toyota Tacoma Regular cab 2WD for summer use provided by Cedar Rapids Toyota. Cedar Rapids Toyota provided this vehicle for a miniscule \$1.00 leasing cost to the City. The agreement started in April and the truck will be returned in October with the City being responsible for insurance, fuel and maintenance. This very generous offer from Cedar Rapids Toyota is greatly appreciated and of vital importance to Parks Department's summer operations. The City of Hiawatha would like to thank Cedar Rapids Toyota for this opportunity along with several other generous offers provided for support of all departments including the Hiawatha Police and Fire departments throughout the years. Thank you Cedar Rapids Toyota!

