

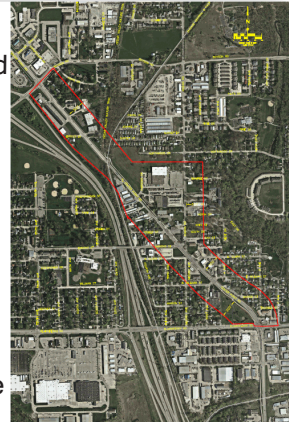
# Hiawatha Insights

September 2013

## Center Point Road Corridor Moratorium is Lifted

Volume 66

The 180 day Temporary Building Moratorium for the Center Point Road Corridor is lifted. After several weeks of considering the future of Hiawatha, the Moratorium Steering Committee came up with a plan to rezone the Center Point Road Corridor and create three (3) new districts referred to as CPR-1, CPR-2, and CPR-3. The new designations were assigned to coincide with the designations in the proposed zoning ordinance. For the purposes of the zoning regulations, the three (3) districts have distinct requirements. However, the districts were combined in a single section of the ordinance. The first part of the ordinance is the table of permitted, conditional, allowed and not allowed uses. For the CPR district, most of the designated uses are permitted or not allowed. In more instances, the conditional use is limited to a residential use where the conditional requirements provide an opportunity to ensure the appropriate requirements are met. The ordinance also sets the minimum yard requirements, access management standards, architectural requirements, lighting and sound restrictions and off street parking and loading provisions and lastly, setting boundaries (see Ordinance #749 and #750 for entire definitions). On August 21, 2013, The City Council held the last of the four (4) public hearings of the proposed ordinance. The previous two (2) hearings set the interpretation of regulations, established the zoning district and approved the land use regulations establishing requirements for a new zoning district along the Center Point Road Corridor from Blairs Ferry Road to Boyson Road. The last two (2) hearings set the boundaries of those districts. Prior to the opening of the public hearing, Mayor Theis stated the following: "The rezoning before the individuals tonight will not limit you or anyone from living or running his/her business as you do today. This rezoning does not remove you or anyone from their home or business location nor does it remove you from the City. You are able to sell or lease your property as you would today."



Theis went on to say, "The business types that are not permitted uses would be considered legal non-conforming, which is essentially a form of what others refer to as "grandfathering". Legal non-conforming allows you to continue as you do today whether that is a home or a business. For example, a natural catastrophe, fire, or tornado would come through and damage your home or business, as a legal non-conforming, the code affords you an opportunity to rebuild. Also as a legal non-conforming, you have the ability to ask for conditional expansion of your business or residence through the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Adjustments. The City understands that we may not have thought of all the potential uses for the CPR zoning. It is simply not possible to come up with every possible use as new business types arise every day. Like, our current zoning ordinance, this will likely evolve and change over time. However, in the meantime, it establishes appropriate uses in the redevelopment of the Center Point Road Corridor. We have one chance to do it correctly, and we are going to do that. For those that were concerned about the location of the redevelopment of the Center Point, Robins, and Emmons Street intersection and/or nearby streets, the City will be able to tell you more in a couple of months once we complete our Capital Improvements Plan process. Any plan for the intersection is only conceptual. The City Council has not approved any plans or approved any funding for the intersection. Until Council approves the conceptual plan, and gives staff the go ahead to move forward with the intersection, it remains a conceptual plan." There were about 150 people in attendance for the public hearing in which to consider the approval of the CPR zoning. Several individuals addressed the Council with their concerns with one statement resonating in support of Neon Dragon Tattoo and why they should be allowed in the CPR zoning. Body art and tattoo parlors were not a part of the original CPR zoning as a permitted use business. Council discussed at great lengths with a decision to make a change to the rezoning to allow body art businesses in all three (3) new zoning districts located along Center Point Road, between Blairs Ferry and Boyson Road. The Council moved ahead with the Ordinance #750, but set a September 4th public hearing to amend the language to vote on including tattoo parlors in CPR-1, CPR-2, and CPR-3.

## Heart Saver Award Presentation

At approximately 1:46 a.m. on June 22, 2013, a Hiawatha resident called 911 to report her roommate might be having a heart attack. The Hiawatha Ambulance and Hiawatha Police Officers were dispatched to the scene. Two Hiawatha Officers, Sgt. Trent MacTaggart and Officer Erik Naaktgeboren, arrived within three (3) minutes of the call being placed. Sgt. MacTaggart and Officer Naaktgeboren found the patient unconscious, lacking a pulse, and not breathing. The officers quickly worked as a team, analyzed the scene and connected the patient to an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). A shock was advised and delivered to the patient followed by CPR. The Hiawatha Ambulance arrived shortly after, continuing CPR and lifesaving measures. The patient was transported to a local hospital where additional lifesaving measures were administered. Amazingly, the patient Randal Mittman, walked out of the hospital several days later. Carol Fridal of the American Heart Association attended the August 7th City Council meeting to present a Heart Saver Rescue Award to Sgt. MacTaggart and Officer Naaktgeboren. Mr. Mittman was present to place medals on the two officers who saved his life and expressed his sincere appreciation to all those who attended to him on June 22nd. The City of Hiawatha is committed to providing the best possible first responders and equipment. The City currently maintains AED's in City Hall, the city maintenance shop, the library, police cars, as well as all ambulances.



# Local Option Sales and Service Tax Vote: November 5, 2013

On November 5, 2013, the citizens of Hiawatha and the Metro area will decide whether or not to extend the 1% Local Option Sales and Service Tax (LOSST) for a period of 10 years.

The 1% local option sales and service tax is not a new tax; it is currently in effect and has been since July 1, 2010. This vote is asking the citizens' permission to **reauthorize an extension of the current local option sales tax in order to pay for needed infrastructure projects and support economic development in this growing and maturing community.**

Anybody (resident or visitor), who buys goods and services within Linn County, pays this local option sales and service tax and contributes to the total amount of revenue that is raised. The local sales and service tax is paid for by purchases made by millions of annual visitors and the number of daily workers that buy products in Linn County.

The local option sales and service tax provides an additional funding source for the City to undertake some critical projects which have benefited our community. Many of those projects either might not be able to be constructed without sales tax funding, would be delayed for many years, or which would otherwise cause increases in local property taxes. Our current LOSST dollars have provided funding for needed street and sewer replacement, street and sewer upgrades, replacing obsolete public safety vehicles, repair and maintenance of City buildings plus allowing purchasing of equipment in order to reduce operating costs, all of which divert expenses from the City operating budget, which is property tax funded.

We have spent \$1,912,137.54 on such projects. The pie chart to the right demonstrates the percentage of those dollars spent in each department.

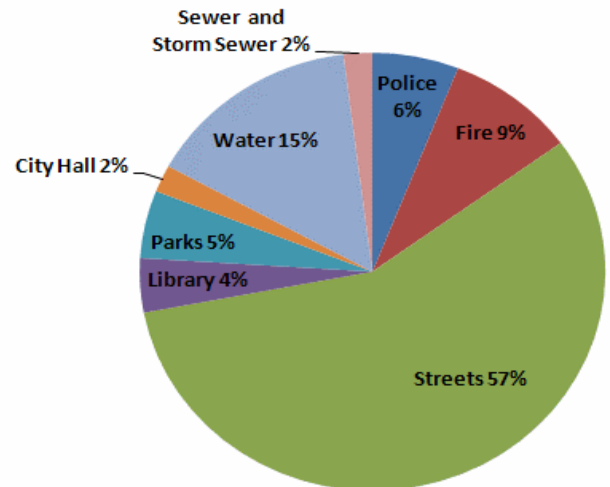
If the referendum is approved, the process will start to get many projects ready for construction very quickly. However, not all of the projects categories and projects will be underway or commenced immediately. Timing will be dependent on a number of factors, such as cash flow from the sales tax, the length of time of the design process and others. These dollars would help support a future library expansion, a satellite fire station and other facility improvements, replace aging water, sewer and street infrastructures, park improvements and additions, replacement and purchase of safety equipment. There are several small street and utility projects in our current capital improvement plan that are scheduled in future years that the LOSST funds would help move up in their construction and lessen the burden on our debt service levy.

On August 21, 2013, the City Council passed a resolution authorizing the imposition of a local sales and service tax at the rate of 1% to be effective July 1, 2014 until June 30, 2024. The City of Hiawatha elected the following:

Up to 10% for Property Tax Relief;

The specific purposes for which the revenues shall otherwise be expended are: One hundred percent (100%) for any lawful purpose including, but not limited to, retirement of outstanding obligations, water and sewer system improvements, street improvements, public safety, library, and park & recreation improvements.

Citizens of Hiawatha, Cedar Rapids, Fairfax, Marion, and Robins will vote as a contiguous block. A simple majority of the composite Metro population will approve the extension of the LOSST for a period of ten (10) years.



2010 - 2013 LOSST Revenue \$1,912,137.54 in percentages

## VOTE NOVEMBER 5, 2013

### Hiawatha Welcomes J&S Total Fit!

J&S Total Fit knows that one size fits all fitness programs are not successful for long term health and weight loss. We developed our program with years of experience and knowledge in fitness, nutrition and health. However, we also developed it from a realistic perspective, knowing our participants have kids, work, activities and anxieties about exercise and weight loss. Programs must fit you and your life to be successful. J&S fits your life, is challenging, interesting, flexible, fun and friendly so you will keep wanting to come back again and again. You will get healthier and you will lose weight!

J&S Total Fit was developed as an idea to steer away from your typical "health club" and really focus on the three components necessary for health and success: fitness, nutrition and personal support. Here, at J&S, you will get all three of those; you will be part of a team on a mission to get healthier! Our promises to you are:

- You will receive individual attention,
- You will learn how to live a healthier lifestyle,
- No two workouts will ever be the same,
- We will help you set realistic and achievable goals along with giving you the tools to reach them,
- We will be dedicated to you, and
- We will provide support and encouragement every step of the way.

Let J&S help you find a Healthier YOU! Contact us at (319) 899-9547 or visit our website for our location and a complete schedule of class times. [www.jstotalfit.com](http://www.jstotalfit.com)





## Help Hiawatha Fire put a Lid on Kitchen Fires!

Cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and fire injuries in the United States. In 2011, cooking was involved in an estimated 156,300 home fires and caused 470 deaths, 5,390 injuries, and \$1 billion in property losses (Source: National Fire Protection Association). Many of these fires would be prevented simply by people paying attention when they cook. For example, many fires are caused when food is left unattended, particularly when frying. If you must leave, even for a short time, turn off the stove. If you are sleepy, or under the influence of alcohol, avoid using the stove. A common scenario is a person comes home after a night out and heats oil to fry a snack. They fall asleep and a fire starts. Keep flammable materials such as food packages or dish towels a safe distance from the stove. Finally, avoid wearing loose clothing that can come into contact with the burner or flame of a stove causing a person to set their clothes on fire, creating serious injury.

If you do have a stove fire, the best advice is turn the stove off, and "Put a lid on it". Covering the fire will smother the flames. Never try to pick up a burning pan, and NEVER PUT WATER ON A GREASE FIRE. If your clothes catch on fire, stop, drop and roll. As always, a smoke detector and a family exit plan are your best defense should a fire start.

October is Fire Prevention Month, and the Hiawatha Fire Department will be focusing on preventing cooking fires and checking smoke alarms. If you would like a firefighter to come talk to your group or organization about cooking safety or another fire safety topic, or need assistance with a smoke detector, please call the Fire Station during regular business hours (8-5) at (319) 393-4180.

## Parks & Recreation Updates

**Touch a Truck** - The Hiawatha Parks and Recreation Department hosted their first Touch-A-Truck event on August 9th from 5-7p.m., in the Guthridge Park 10th Avenue parking lot. Kids were able to learn from their hometown heroes who own and operate their favorite construction trucks, fire engines, police cars, and vehicles. They could sit in the driver's seat and honk the horn of all the cars and trucks presented. Thank you to Hawkeye Ready Mix, Peck's Nursery, Hiawatha Fire, Police and Streets departments for participating in this year's event. HACAP was able to receive non-perishable food items from the community during the duration of the event. With over 200 guests in attendance, it was a successful first year event!



**HiBRAI** - The Friends of Hiawatha Parks and Recreation Foundation held their 11th annual Hiawatha Bike Ride Around Iowa that took place on August 17-18th traveling from Fay M. Clark Memorial Park in Hiawatha to Riverside Casino and Golf Resort. This year the Foundation had a staggering 170 riders participate! All the proceeds from this ride went to support Hiawatha Parks and Recreation youth program's and park updates. Thank you for everyone's support this year!

**Movies on the Square** - Hiawatha Parks and Recreation, along with New York Life Insurance hosted their final Movies on the Square event for the year on Friday, September 6th in Boyson Square. They showed the animated film *The Incredibles* at 7:30 p.m. i107.1 FM, Tatyanna's Russian Pastries, Brickside Cafe, New York Life Child ID program, HACAP and many other provided concessions and fun family activities to make this last event a success. Free popcorn was provided by the Hiawatha Friends Foundation. Thank you to all of our sponsors this season: i107.1 FM, New York Life Insurance, Hiawatha Bank and Trust, Health Sources, Drs. Tyler, Link & Barnes, Shaw Financial, REM, Honkamp Krueger, Ahmann Design, compass Commercial Services, Fusion architects and Farm Services of America. Watch for next summer's dates in the 2014 Activity Brochure.

## Parks & Recreation - Save the Dates!!

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Cedar Rapids Community Free Health Clinic's Splash a Smile 5K Fun Run/Walk will take place on Saturday September 28th at Fay M. Clark Memorial Park (1200 N 18th Ave.) at 8:00 a.m. Register at [www.getmeregistered.com](http://www.getmeregistered.com).

UICCU Kids Movie Nights in the Hiawatha Community Center kick off on Friday, September 13th at 6:30 p.m. Enjoy the free animated film *How to Train your Dragon* on the big screen with free popcorn and juice provided.

Join Us!! The Friends of Hiawatha Parks and Recreation will be hosting a fund-raising event called Playing for Keeps on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at the Cedar Rapids Toyota Scion showroom at 1190 Boyson Road.

The event consists of a live and silent auction, live musical entertainment, beer sampling and wine tasting as well as heavy hors d'oeuvres.

Auction items include:

- A white 90 year Green Bay Packers football signed by the entire team. Value: \$800;
- A midweek Bed and Breakfast Package at The DeSoto House Hotel located in Galena, IL - includes breakfast for two in The Courtyard Restaurant. Value \$200;
- Hands in Harmony Ultimate Couples Massage. Value \$200;
- P&N Flight Schools 1/2 hour plane ride over the Cedar Rapids area for you and 2 friends. Value: \$150;
- Kings Pointe Resort - Storm Lake one night's stay in a lakeview room with four water park passes. Value \$189;
- A mystery cash envelope and much more!

Tickets are on sale for \$15.00 or two for \$25.00 at City Hall. If you have questions or would like more information, contact Kelly Friedl at 319-393-1515 option 2.



**Join us September 21, 2013 for Nickelodeon's World Wide Day of Play!** From Noon - 3:00 p.m. join Hi-Crew Kiwanis and J&S Total Fit for a day of fun and games in Guthridge Park. All events are free! Visit [www.hiawatha-crew.org](http://www.hiawatha-crew.org) for more information.



## Council Action

August 7, 2013

**Ordinance 749 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.13: Interpretation of Regulations, §165.14: Establishment of Zoning Districts and §165.15: Land Use Regulations establishing requirements for a new zoning district along the Center Point Rd Corridor from Blairs Ferry Rd to Boyson Rd.**

**Resolution 13-188 - Approve sewer waiver on second water meter for 1661 Boyson Square Dr.**

**Resolution 13-189 - Approve sewer waiver on second water meter for 777 N Center Point Rd.**

**Resolution 13-190 - Approve sewer waiver on second water meter for 2922 Diamondhead Rd.**

**Resolution 13-191 - Approve and authorize execution of a five (5) year Development Agreement by and between the City of Hiawatha, PAKAR Management, LLC and Hawkeye Communication, Inc.**

**Resolution 13-192 - Pursuant to Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.90(4) Amendment initiated by City Council or Planning and Zoning Commission the City hereby waives the requirements of a written petition, location map, site development plan, posting of notification signs, and payment of application fee related to the creation of a new zoning district along the Center Point Rd Corridor.**

**Resolution 13-193 - Set public hearing date (August 21, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.) consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 69 Parking Regulations §69.08 No Parking Zones add parking restrictions on west side of street along entire length of Parsons Dr.**

**Resolution 13-194 - Set public hearing date (August 21, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.) consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.82: Variances and §165.90: Initiation of Amendments to the Zoning District Map changing publication requirements and notification sign posting requirements.**

**Resolution 13-195 - Set public hearing date (August 21, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.16: Land Uses and regulations by District and §165.24: Adult Entertainment Establishment regulations adding land use regulations for Pawnbrokers and Delayed Deposit Services.**

**Resolution 13-196 - Set public hearing date (August 21, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.) consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances adding a new Chapter 124 Practice of Health Related Sciences - State License Required relating to but not limited to massage parlors.**

**Resolution 13-197 - Set public hearing date (August 21, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.) consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances adding a new Chapter 52A "Clandestine Laboratories/Grow Operations" to provide procedures for abatement of public health nuisances.**

**Resolution 13-198 - Authorize the Fire Dept purchase of 45 sets of uniforms at total cost not to exceed \$7,972.65 with Carpenter Uniform of Des Moines, Iowa.**

**Resolution 13-199 - Authorize Swick Cable Contractors right-of-way permission to bury fiber optics cable for 250 Cimarron Dr.**

**Resolution 13-200 - Authorize ImOn Communications right-of-way permission to bury fiber optics cable for Squaw Creek Millwork located at 1540 Stamy Rd.**

**Resolution 13-201 - Approve sidewalk deferment for Neighbor Insurance located at 98 E Willman St.**

**Resolution 13-202 - Approve the FY2013 Street Finance Report.**

**Resolution 13-203 - Approve design plans and specs and authorize City Staff to proceed with Requests for Quotations for Boyson Rd Trail including Pedestrian Island and 18th Ave Sidewalk to Clark Park Construction.**

August 21, 2013

**Ordinance 750 - Approve rezoning of properties from various Zoning Districts to establish three (3) new Zoning Districts of CPR-1, CPR-2 and CPR-3 for the Center Point Rd Corridor from Blairs Ferry Rd to Boyson Rd.**

**Ordinance 751 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 69 Parking Regulations §69.08 No Parking Zones Adding West side of Parsons Drive.**

**Ordinance 752 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.82: Variances and §165.90: Initiation of Amendments to the Zoning District Map changing publication requirements and notification sign posting requirements.**

**Ordinance 753 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.16: Land Uses and Regulations by district and §165.24: Adult Entertainment Establishment Regulations adding land use regulations for Pawnbrokers and Delayed Deposit Services.**

**Ordinance 754 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances adding a new Chapter 124 Practice of Health Related Sciences - State License Required relating to but not limited to massage parlors.**

**Ordinance 755 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances adding a new Chapter 52A "Clandestine Laboratories/Grow Operations" to provide procedures for abatement of public health nuisances.**

**Resolution 13-210 - Approve Agreement between the City of Hiawatha, Mike Konchar and the Cedar Rapids Titans providing a schedule of building improvements in connection with the installation of the sprinkler system and fire alarm system.**

**Resolution 13-211 - Approve a temporary five (5) day Class C Liquor License (LC) (Commercial) including Outdoor Service for Eastern Iowa Sports Complex for the August 24, 2013 319 Festival including indoor and outdoor live music.**

**Resolution 13-212 - Set public hearing date (September 4, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 165 Unified Development Code §165.15:2 Figure I - Land Use Matrix adding land use classifications for Pawnbrokers and Delayed Deposit Services.**

**Resolution 13-213 - Set public hearing date (September 4, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 65 Stop or Yield Required §65.01 Stop Intersection adding Ryan Ave and Brandon Ave.**

**Resolution 13-214 - Approve City Staff recommendation for filling the Park and Recreation Director position.**

**Resolution 13-215 - Approve Temporary Construction Easement for the property legally described as Lot 1 and Lot 2 of Hiawatha North, owner Westwind Properties, LLC.**

**Resolution 13-216 - Approve Temporary Construction Easement for property legally described as Lot 1 of Hiawatha North Forty Second Addition, owner Farm Credit Services of America.**

**Resolution 13-217 - Authorize staff to proceed with the submittal of the Iowa's Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) grant through the IDOT for the construction of the new intersection at North Center Point Road and Robins Road.**

**Resolution 13-218 - Award Confidential Document Destruction Contract to Heartland Shredding, Inc., of Guernsey Iowa.**

**Resolution 13-219 - Authorize staff to continue five (5) year Rental Service Agreement with City Laundering Company for laundering services for Public Works Department uniforms and City facilities' mats with no price increase.**

**Resolution 13-220 - Request submission of the question of imposition of a 1% Local Option Sales and Services Tax to the registered voters of Linn County for a period of 10 years.**

**Resolution 13-221 - Approve amendment to the City's ICMA-RC 457 Deferred Compensation Plan allowing retired employees to take loans on their retirement plan.**

**Resolution 13-222 - Approve a letter of support for a Linn County Casino Project.**



# SEPTEMBER 2013



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Farmers Market 11-2pm Guthridge Park	2 City Hall Closed Holiday	3	4 Council 5:30pm	5	6 Movies on the Square "Incredibles" 7:30pm	7
8 Farmers Market 11-2pm Guthridge Park	9 History 1:30 pm Board of Adj. 6pm	10 Parks 6:00 pm Library 7pm	11 Council Airs 7pm Channel 18	12 Council Airs 10am Channel 18	13 Kids Movie Night 6pm How to Train Your Dragon	14
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6 Farmers Market 11-2pm Guthridge Park	7	8 Parks 6:00 pm Library 7pm	9 Council Airs 7pm Channel 18	10 Council Airs 10am Channel 18	11 Kids Movie Night 6pm Hotel Transyl- vania	12 Playing for Keeps 6-9pm CR Toyota
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## Water Department's New Municipal Well

The Water Department awarded a contract to Shawver Well Company, Inc., from Fredericksburg, Iowa to drill a new municipal water well at a cost of \$114,500. The well is being drilled at 2910 Fitzroy Road, on land that was purchased from Forrest Kramer. The well is 500 feet deep, drilled down into the Silurian aquifer; this well should produce approximately 300 to 350 Gallons Per Minute.



The water quality will be approximately the same as our other municipal wells. The Water Department is planning on bringing this well online by midsummer next year.

## Business Summit

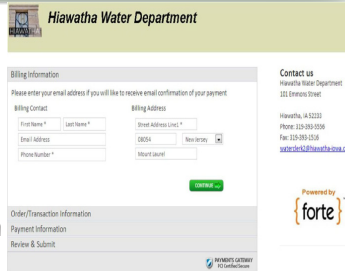
The Hiawatha Economic Development Corporation and the Hiawatha Mayor and Council invite you to join them at the Hiawatha Business Summit.

This event will be held at the Kirkwood Regional Center on September 17, 2013.

Register for this event at: [www.CedarRapids.org](http://www.CedarRapids.org) or just pop in from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

## Credit Card Payments by Website and Phone

The Hiawatha Water Department would like to inform our customers that we have changed the Merchant that handles all credit card payments. This change took effect on August 24, 2013. The payment screen on the Hiawatha Water website may have a little different look, but everything will still work the same. There is also a new number for customers to make a credit card payment by phone. This number is 1-877-690-3729, jurisdiction code 2510.



**Hiawatha!**

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