Events Calendar

No Winter Farmer's Market

Ely Spook Walk Wednesday, October 23

5:00-7:00 pm Hosted by the Businesses of Ely

Halloween Trick-or-Treat Thursday, October 31 5:30-8:00 pm

Curbside Limb Pickup Monday, October 28

Last pickup for the season

General Election Day Tuesday, November 5

7:00 am – 9:00 pm at the Ely Library

Veterans Day Monday, November 11City Hall will be closed on

Thanksgiving
Thursday & Friday,
November 28 & 29

Ely City Hall & Public Works closed all day

Winterfest Saturday, December 14

Hosted by the Businesses of Ely is still in the planning stages.



Ely Website www.elyiowa.com Library Website www.ely.lib.ia.us

More Front Page News

Online Payment Available

The City of Ely accepts online payments for utility bills, park and recreation fees, and more! You can find a link to our payment port on our website at www.elyiowa.com

Public Works Will Flush Water System in October

This is routine maintenance we perform to maintain good water quality in the system. You may occasionally notice minor discoloration to the water while this is being done; the water poses no health risk and is safe to drink, even though it may look a little different.

Nixle Voice & Text Alerts

Ely's citywide mass notification system is here! The City utilizes the new Nixle system to notify residents, who elect to receive messages, of emergency and advisory alerts. These alerts could include boil advisories, water main breaks or weather-related emergencies just to name a few. Users can also opt in to receive a wider range of notifications, such as upcoming community events, youth program registrations or utility reminders. You can sign up on the City website at www.elyiowa.com/nixle or simply text Ely's zip code 52227 to 888777. If you have questions or need assistance, please call City Hall at 319-848-4103.

New Waste Management Reporting Process

The City of Ely has a new process to report when your Waste or Recycling pick up was missed or you have a damaged or broken waste/recycling can. Call 1-800-964-8988. (Press 1 Residential; Press 3 All Other than Press 4 All other) For can repair or replacement, Waste Management will need you to leave the waste/recycling can out visible from the street and the turnaround time is approximately 7-10 days.

Calling All Volunteers!

How do you want to be remembered?
How about giving back to your community?
We are always looking for volunteers for
City Run Events such as Fall Fest and
Music in the Park. How about sharing your
knowledge by sitting on the Planning and
Zoning Commission? Please apply on
www.elyiowa.com, Government Tab,
Applications & Forms.

Mayor Eldy's Updates

Get an email update on what happened at the most recent City Council meeting by Mayor Eldy Miller himself. Just send your email address to Eldy@Elylowa.com and you will get Eldy's monthly email update. Call City Hall if you do not have email access and want a hard copy.

Ely Halloween Treaters!

It finally looks and feels like Fall. The trees are losing their leaves, the air is crisp and the ghosts, goblins, and super hero's will come knocking on your door asking for treats on Halloween night (October 31) between 5:30 and 8:00 p.m. Make sure costumes have bright colors, reflective tape or other reflective material so

they are visible when crossing the street; and make sure masks and costumes do not inhibit your nocturnal wanderer's vision. Please remember to turn your front light on so the kids know you are home and ready to be trick-or-treated.

Ely Spook Walk

Join the Ely businesses in celebrating Halloween with their 4th Annual Spook Walk from 5-7 pm on Wednesday, October 23. The Dows Street businesses and Main Street businesses, including Dan & Debbie's Creamery and the Junior Auxiliary, will have special treats and even some deals, oh and of course trick-or-treating for the kids! Enjoy a free photo at Blush Cherry on the corner of Dows and Main Street from 5-7 pm. Goodwill donations welcome, proceeds will go toward Ely's Winterfest. You won't want to miss this Spook-tackular event.

Safe & Fun Halloween Thanks to the Ely Fire Department

The Ely Volunteer Fire Department is continuing their tradition of giving glow sticks to Ely's trick-or-treaters to help them be more visible while going about their ghoulish rounds. They do this to make sure everyone is participating in a safe way. The Ely Volunteer Fire Fighters will give glow sticks and other goodies to trick-or-treaters at the Ely Fire Station, 1300 Main St., from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 31. Another great thing our dedicated and hardworking Volunteer Fire Department does for the Ely community.



WINTERFEST is December 14

Winterfest 2019 - ELY downtown businesses are preparing for their Fourth Annual Winterfest to be held on Saturday December 14th, 2019. This fun family event starts at 9 am with the 5K fun run. The Winter Vendor Fair will begin at 10 am, with many other events scheduled throughout the day, including hay rack rides, in store specials, a live camel, photo booth, face painting, holiday crafting, cookie decorating and more. Check out all the details on the Ely Winterfest Facebook page at www.facebook.com/groups/2249070041871028/ . Be sure to stop out and spend the day in Ely for a day of holiday filled fun!

Community Ice Skating Rink

Winter is approaching which means the Ely Ice Skating Rink will be open by the end of the year (weather permitting)! When the temperatures begin to drop, the tennis court net will be taken down in preparation for the rink to go up. Once the shell of the rink is put together and filled with water, the entire fenced recreation courts outside of the Community Center will be closed until the ice is frozen solid. We appreciate your understanding during this transitional period! Stay tuned for more details and check the City Facebook Page for updates!

Snow Removal for Older Adults

Aging Services Home Repair may be able to provide snow removal service this winter for older adults in our community. If you are interested; to apply, to see if you qualify or update your Home Repair & Accessibility program file; contact Abbe Health Aging Services at 319-398-3644.

Snow Emergency – Vehicle Towing Policy – Ordinance Changes

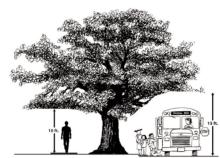
No person shall park, abandon, or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area during any snow emergency proclaimed by the Mayor unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has ceased to fall. A snow emergency parking ban shall continue from its proclamation through the duration of the snow or ice storm and the 48-hour period after cessation of the storm except as above provided upon streets which have been fully opened. When predictions or occurrences indicate the need, the Mayor shall proclaim a snow emergency and the Mayor shall inform the news media to publicize the proclamation and the parking rules under the emergency. Such emergency may be extended or shortened when conditions warrant.

The Mayor, City Administrator or a peace officer is hereby authorized to remove, or cause to be removed, a vehicle from a street, public alley, public parking lot or highway when any vehicle is parked in violation of a ban on parking during a snow emergency as proclaimed by the Mayor or during snow removal operations. Violators of the snow parking ban will not be personally notified in advance of removal of a vehicle from a public street or alley.

Update Contact Information



Have you eliminated your home LAN phone line or obtained a new cell phone number? Please update your contact information with the City of Ely. We are finding more residents that are eliminating their home LAN line, but forgetting to update the city with their cell phone or proper contact phone numbers. It will also help to get an email address, so we have some way to reach out to you if we are unable to reach you by phone. Please call 848-4103 or email your information to deputyclerk@elyiowa.com.



The City of Ely requires homeowners to trim their tree 10 ft. above sidewalks and 15 ft. above streets.

Tree Trimming Required By City Ordinance

It is imperative that all trees situated in the parking or terrace area in front of homes be trimmed up to 15' on the street side and 10' on the sidewalk side. Low hanging trees make it very difficult for snowplows, school buses and other tall standing equipment to pass safely. The city will continue the curbside brush pickup through the month of October making it easy to dispose of the trimmed limbs. If trees go untrimmed the city will take necessary steps to have trees trimmed and the costs will be assessed to the homeowner. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Youth Flag Football

What a turn out! This year we have 45 athletes participating in Flag Football; the season has kicked off with a great start! This program would not be possible without the volunteer coaches and our helpful referees; thank you to all who have lent a hand so far, this season! Football games are Saturday mornings starting at 9am at Ely City Park, so feel free to come on out and help cheer them on! The season will run until October 5.



That's "City of Ely, lowa" on Facebook and Twitter for the most up to date information on what is happening with the City of Ely.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

The City of Ely has launched a new and improved website!

Check it out at **elyiowa.com**



NEW BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

HOUSE DIVIDED BREWERY

The highly anticipated new microbrewery located in downtown Ely, is tentatively scheduled to open Saturday, October 26. House Divided is co-owned by Cal and Lisa Corrin who reside in Ely as well. Cal has been home brewing for years and this spawned the idea to open a microbrewery to share his beers with others. After years of planning the stars aligned making it possible to turn his dream into a reality. The brewery is a three-barrel system. One-barrel equals 31 gallons, so each batch makes about 93 gallons of beer. The brewery has six fermenters so they can make up to six different beers at a time. Cal plans on making many different styles of beers so there should always be something that everyone can enjoy.

The name House Divided Brewery comes from the Cyclone-Hawkeye rivalry in the Corrin

household. Cal is the Cyclone side of the rivalry as he graduated from lowa State University. Lisa is originally from Arizona and came to lowa twelve years ago to complete her nursing degree at Mount Mercy University. She became a Hawkeye as her friends in college were fans of the Hawks. When she met Cal a year later, she decided to remain a

Hawkeye fan just to make life a little more interesting. The name "House Divided" has been used by Cal for his home brewery for several years and when it was time to name the microbrewery, it was decided to continue with this tradition and name it "House Divided Brewery".

The brewery will be a taproom serving only beer and whatever is allowed under an lowa beer license. The plan is to be open 7 days a week. Weekday hours will be 4-10pm. Weekends will be Friday 3-11pm, Saturday 11am-11pm, and Sunday 11am-8pm. No food will be prepared on site. Light snacks will be available and outside food will be allowed to be brought in (for example you can order a pizza from Casey's or a meal from Odies). Food trucks will be scheduled for certain occasions along with live music. There will be 12 taps available for beer, cider or root beer. The goal is to have most of the taps filled with House Divided beer. At times when Cal does not have 12 beers in the rotation, then taps will be filled with other local craft beer. There will also be cans and bottles of other beverages, including sodas, sports drinks and hard seltzers. The taproom has 4 large screen TVs where you can watch your favorite team while enjoying a beverage. The taproom has limited indoor seating, however there is a large outdoor seating area out front.



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Regular business hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Council Meetings: 2nd Monday each month 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber 2nd floor.

Public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Holiday Hours

Ely City Hall & Public Works will be closed at noon on December 24 and all-day December 25 and again, at noon on December 31 and all-day January 1, 2020



Ely Expression 2019 (FEST!

That's a wrap on Fall Fest 2019! On behalf of the Ely Park Board, the Fall Fest Committee and our entire Community; we would like to thank EVERYONE who was involved, sponsored, supported and came out to celebrate this year! From the Classic Car Show, Vendor Fair, Softball Tournament, Kids Zone, Cornhole and Dance, there was something for everyone! We would like to shout a special thank you to:

Ely Fire Department
Ely American Legion
The Friends of the Ely Public Library
All of our 2019 event Sponsors
Wears Auctioneering
The Hahesy Family
FJ Krob & Company
Jim Miller
ALL of our wonderful volunteers
Derek Parrott & Innovative Signs
Atlantic Bottling Co. - Coca Cola
The Downtown Dachshund

Ely Public Works

The Danny Whitson Band
DJ Don Scott
Musician Sam Joens
Dan & Debbie's Creamery 5k Race Sponsor
All of our local businesses
All of our residents for your patience
& support
And all of the vendors, softball & corn
cornhole teams, classic car owners,
families and so many more that came
out and helped pack our town full of
excitement!

We are so unbelievably fortunate to be able to celebrate together each and every year! This event cannot happen without the support of all the organizations, businesses and individuals mentioned above - we are forever appreciative. #beEly #beHome

WHO WERE THE WINNERS AT FALL FEST?

Adult Co-Ed Softball Tournament - Sundown Bar & Grill

Doxie Dash - 1st: Peanut, 2nd: Morty, 3rd: Moose

Cornhole – 1st: Who's Next (Captain Chris Blood); 2nd: Black Jack (Captain Jason Michalec)

Youth Tractor Pedal Pull

5 Year Old 1st Place: Lauren Cantrell 6 Year Old 1st Place: Leighton Becker 8 Year Old 1st Place: Jacob Wagg 9 Year Old 1st Place: Presley McCabe 10 Year Old 1st Place: Chloe Detterbeck 11 Year Old 1st Place: Aubrey Peterson

4 year Old 1st Place: Levi Garmain



5k Race - Top Male Finisher: Zack Johnson; Top Female Finisher: Anna Eckert

Your City. Your Vote.

Tuesday, November 5 is Municipal Elections

This year there will be a combined municipal and school election. There are three Ely city council positions and the mayor position terms will be expiring in December of this year. The City Candidate information can be found at gis.linncounty.org/webdata/election/2019/20191105/candidates.pdf.

The Ely residents vote at 1595 Dows Street, Ely Library; 7:00 am – 8:00 pm.