

cause of home fires, with nearly half of all home fires involving cooking equipment; cooking is also the leading cause of home fire injuries. Unattended 2" in diameter. All other branches should be spread along the curb to facilitate easier pickup. Do not stack them. cooking is the leading cause of home cooking fires and related deaths

Here are a few safety reminders to help reduce the risk of cooking and

- Stay in the kitchen while you are cooking food.
- Always keep a close eye on what you're cooking. For foods with longer cook times, such as those that are simmering or baking, set a timer to help monitor them carefully and remind you that you are cooking.
- Clear the cooking area of combustible items and keep anything that can burn, such as dish towels, oven mitts, food packaging, and paper towels away from the area, even if the stove is off.
- Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove. Keep a lid nearby when cooking. If a small grease fire starts, slide the lid over the pan and turn off the burner.
- Create a "kid and pet free zone" of at least three feet around the cooking area and anywhere else it is prepared or carried.
- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol, don't use the stove

If you have a cooking fire:

device details.

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 after you leave.
- If you try to fight the fire, be sure others are getting out and you have a clear way out.
- Keep a lid nearby when you're cooking to smother small grease fires. Smother the fire by sliding the lid over the pan and turn off the stovetop. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

BACKFLOW PREVENTION

Hiawatha Water Department is dedicated to ensuring safe drinking water by protecting water sources and maintaining quality during distribution. Backflow, the reverse flow of water that can contaminate our supply, is a serious concern. To prevent this, we use backflow prevention valves that stop water from entering the city's system during pressure drops, especially important for irrigation systems that may contain harmful substances. We have a mandatory backflow prevention program in line with state and local plumbing codes. Failing to maintain and test these devices can result in water shutoffs due to non-compliance. Our control program, managed by Backflow Solutions, Inc (BSI), employs a web-based system for efficient inventory management of backflow prevention assemblies. For more information, contact BSI at support@backflow.com, call 888-966-6050, or visit their customer portal at www.bsionlinetracking.com/customer. You'll need your CCN number from your recertification letter for specific

DELIVER BY MONDAY. 10/02/2023

Railroad Quiet Zone

Resolution #23-158

Resolution #23-159

Resolution #23-160

Re-staffing the Code

Enforcement Officer

Resolution #23-161

September 6, 2023

Resolution #23-162

At Your Own Risk

Building Permit

Sewer Waiver

Professional Services

Street Light

Aareement

Postal Customer Hiawatha, Iowa 52233

October Meeting Calendar

09 History Commission 1:30 PM

09 Board of Adjustment 5:30 PM

23 Planning and Zoning 5:30 PM

Hiawatha!..

10 Parks Commission 5:30 PM

04 City Council 5:30 PM

10 Library Board 7:00 PM

17 Water Board 5:30 PM

18 City Council 5:30 PM

HIAWATHA COUNCIL ACTION

The Hiawatha City Council meeting minutes may be obtained online at www.Hiawatha-lowa.com/government/city-council-documents/ or by request to the City Clerk's Office at City Hall at 319-393-1515 x526

ugust 16, 2023 Proclamation Resolution #23-152 - 155 Welcoming Week Sewer Waivers Resolution #23-163 - 164 Ordinance #995 2023 Street Improvements now Ordinance Project Resolution #23-156 - 157

Resolution #23-165 Northwood Storm Sewer Improvements Project Resolution #23-166 12th Ave & Boyson Rd

Intersection Improvement Project Resolution #23-167 Crossing on Boyson 1st Addition

Resolution #23-168 Professional Service Agreement

for basic engineering and oncall service

Resolution #23-169 Purchase of two Flygt submersible pumps

MEET the TEAM

PRSRT STD

US Postage

Hiawatha, IA Permit No. 33

ECRWSS



Rachel Greene Circulation Manager Hiawatha Public Library



Engineering Technician

Engineering Department

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CITY COUNCIL | City of Hiawatha Regular Council Meetings are the first and third Wednesday of each month.



MAYOR **BILL BENNETT**

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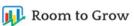
STATE OF THE CITY **ADDRESS**



Over a 3-year period, the City of Hiawatha has added:

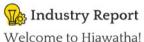
- 328,970 square feet of commercial property
- \$76.9 Million in property valuation

2022 New Construction Valuation Total: \$33,647,308



Hiawatha has 688 acres ready for development!

- 460 acres of commercial/retail/ light industrial and multi-family
- 168 acres of low-density residential already platted
- 60 acres of low-density residential not platted



Industry Report

New industries over the past fiscal year include: Ogden & Adams, Principal Financial, Boxx Scaffolding, Scooter's Coffee, Knot Just Lumber, Big 10 Mart, Re. A.L. Low Force Chiropractic PC, Cedar Valley Skin Cancer Center

Hiawatha's population is estimated to grow to 9,154



is year's State of the City Address on Thursday, ptember 14, 2023. The award is named after ntrepreneurial spirit and collaborative efforts led to County in 1950. This year's Fay M. Clark Hall of Fame Award Winner is

 Iowa consists of 273,623 small businesses that employ 644,100 peoplet

support small businesses to

increase local jobs, nurture

community, create choice,

and spur innovation.

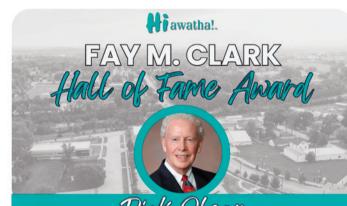
promote entrepreneurship,

- · Linn County consists of 17,763 small businesses that employ 50,433 people with an annual payroll of \$2.285 billion+
- Hiawatha is home to more than 330 businesses who employ more than 3,898 people

+ according to Statistics of US Businesses, (2019 Census)

New commercial development with TIF incentives created \$5,000,000 of assessed value

\$530,000 Local Option Sales and Service Tax funds spent on community projects in 2022.



e second annual Fay M. Clark Award was presented at awatha's founder and first mayor, Fay M. Clark, whose liawatha becoming the 17th incorporated town in Linn

Dick Olson. Dick has been an exceptional business isionary and dedicated community leader in Hiawatha or over 30 years. His entrepreneurial success exemplifie is unwavering commitment to producing top-tier products and fostering strong client relationships. His 21ear tenure as a Hiawatha councilmember underscores is remarkable dedication to community growth, onsistently advocating for new businesses to flourish. Dick's unwavering dedication played a crucial role in ransforming the Hiawatha Library into the splendid acility we have today. Recently, Dick joined forces with ommunity members, city leaders, and library staff to ecure funds and lead the initiative in bringing Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to Hiawatha. Dick uccessfully created a founder's club that raised more nan \$25,000, ensuring the program will become a reality dditionally, he spearheaded the effort to establish a cond fire station, ensuring the safety and well-being of

yond his achievements, Dick's kindness and empathy hine through, making him a truly exceptional individual vorthy of this award. Congratulations, Dick!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023 Online: www.linncountyelections.org/lookup/

Email: elections@linncountyiowa.gov Call: 319-892-5300 extension 1

WHERE DO I VOTE ON ELECTION DAY,

VOTE. MATTERS

10/18 In-person early voting begins at Auditor's

office, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, 935 2nd St SW,

10/23 Last day to pre-register by 5:00 PM to vote for

10/23 Last day to request a mailed absentee ballot.

11/06 Last day to vote early at Auditor's office.

Must be received in Auditor's office by 5:00

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, 935 2nd St SW, Cedar

11/07 Election Day. Polling places open 7:00 AM -

11/07 Absentee ballots must be received by Linn

Voters participating in early voting or satellite voting

must provide an ID. These are the valid forms of ID:

Iowa Voter Identification Card (needs to be

County Election Services by 8:00 PM.

ELECTION TIMELINE

Cedar Rapids

this election

Rapids

8:00 PM

VOTER ID

signed)

U.S. Passport

• Iowa Driver's License

· Iowa Non-Operator ID

Tribal ID Card/Document

U.S. Military ID or Veteran ID

Date Event

FREE BOOK-GIFTING PROGRAM COMES TO HIAWATHA



m More, Learn More. Care More, Be More Available to kids 0-5 in the 52233 zip code.

Thanks to the generosity of the Founder's Club Sponsors, a group of beneficent local businesses and individuals, and the support of the Friends of Hiawatha Public Library, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is now available to kids 0-5 living in Hiawatha. What does

Growing up in the hills of East Tennessee, like any child, Dolly Parton had dreams, many of which were rooted in the books she read. Dolly knew that other children could find their dreams in books as well, so in 1995, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library was launched to benefit the children of her home county. Twenty eight years later, this free book-gifting program has put more than 213 million high quality books directly into the hands of children 0-5

across the United States, Australia, the United Kingdom, Ireland, and Canada. And now, Hiawatha has joined the party. Having books in the home has a powerful and lasting impact on children. Yes, it fosters a love of reading and promotes an enriching parent/child interaction. But research also indicates that the mere presence of a home library is instrumental in vocabulary development, academic success, attention, and ultimately, job attainment. A child registered at birth would have a library of more than 40 books by their fifth birthday, proving that Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is an effective, fun, and free investment in a child's future. Registration is required here, and is easy. To qualify, you must reside in the 52233 zip code and your child must be 0-5. They will then receive one book in the mail each month until their fifth birthday. As a parent, you can envision the joy on your child's face when they see

their name on a package retrieved from your mailbox. Hiawatha Public Library 150 W. Willman Street If you have any questions or need more information, please email Alicia Mangin, Youth Services Librarian at Hiawatha Public Library at amanginehiawatha-iowa.com or call 319.393.1414. Hiawatha, IA 52233

8 HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS FROM HIAWATHA POLICE DEPARTMENT

As Halloween approaches, the Hiawatha Police Department is gearing up to ensure a safe and enjoyable celebration for all residents. While the spooky season brings forth a wave of excitement and creativity, our top priority remains safeguarding the community. We're here to offer essential Halloween safety tips to guarantee a night of fun without any lurking scares.

Stay Visible, Stay Safe: The dark allure of Halloween nights can sometimes lead to visibility challenges. We encourage everyone to incorporate reflective elements into their costumes decorations don't obstruct walkways and and carry flashlights. Glow sticks or LED lights can enhance your presence on the streets, making it easier for drivers to spot you.

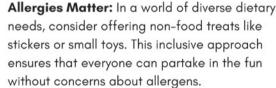
Craft Costumes with Care: Unleash your imagination, but remember that safety comes first. stickers or small toys. This inclusive approach Costumes should fit well to prevent tripping, and masks should never hinder your vision. Consider using face paint or makeup as a mask alternative for clear sightlines and an unobstructed field of

Choose Treats Wisely: Trick-or-treating is a cherished tradition, and we advise opting for prepackaged treats from trustworthy sources. Before indulging, inspect all treats for any signs of tampering, ensuring that the goodies are safe to

Mindful Motorists: Drivers, exercise caution and vigilance on Halloween night. Drive slowly through residential areas, and anticipate children crossing Parents, please keep a watchful eye on your streets unexpectedly. Minimize distractions in your vehicle and stay focused on the road ahead.

Spook-tacular Decor, Secure Pathways:

Hosting a haunted house or decking out your residence? Fantastic! Just ensure that pathways. Opt for battery-operated lights instead of open flames to prevent fire hazards.



Furry Friends and Frightful Noises: Our fourlegged companions might not be as fond of Halloween as we are. Keep your pets indoors to prevent them from getting spooked and potentially running off. Loud noises can distress them, so create a calm and secure

Navigate the Night: If you're hitting the streets for treats, always use designated crosswalks and sidewalks. Stick to well-lit routes, and avoid darting out from between parked cars. little goblins, and consider organizing a buddy system for older children.











WINTER HOME SAFETY TIPS

Home furnaces and heating appliances are common sources of carbon monoxide. Furnace maintenance and timely replacement is an important component in the prevention of CO poisoning. Installing and maintaining CO alarms are key to winter-time safety. The State of lowa requires all homes and rental properties with fuel burning appliances to have CO detectors.

The law affects new and existing construction. In existing homes there are three events which require the installation of CO alarms, if not already installed:

- 1. When a home is qualified for homestead tax credit.
- 2. When a building permit is issued of the home.
- 3. When a new furnace is installed in the home, effective 2022.

The Hiawatha building department is hoping you have a wonderful winter! Make it safer with the installation and maintenance of smoke and CO alarms.

SNOW ORDINANCE

Hiawatha Police Department emphasizes the importance of Ordinance 69.11 for safe roads. This rule says don't park on the streets or city-owned parking lots during heavy snow. This is to make sure the city can clear the snow efficiently, keep traffic moving, and respond to emergencies.

If you don't follow this rule, you might get a \$25 fine, and your car could be towed, costing you more money.

During winter, it's crucial to obey this rule because snow can make travel tough. By moving your car off the street when it snows, you help the city clear snow and keep the roads safe.

Hiawatha offers email and text alerts for city news, snow emergencies, events, and projects. You can sign up on the city website to stay informed and be part of community safety efforts. Sign up today at https://hiawatha-iowa.com/alert-signup/

SNOWBIRDS

Planning a trip or going south for the winter? Here are some tips from the City of Hiawatha:

- 1. Contact the Police Department to register for their House Check service. https://bit.ly/House-Check
- 2. Contact the Water Department to manage your water bill while you're gone. The Post Office does not forward water bills.
- 3. Have someone check to prevent issues like running water.
- 4. To avoid toilet problems, turn off the water valve.
- 5. Adjust your water heater to "vacation mode" or a lower setting
- 6. Review manufacturer instructions for water-related devices.
- 7. For water related questions or concerns, call 319-393-5556.







August 28, but has left a great gacy to Hiawatha. She orked for founder Fay Clark who believed that being a good neighbor meant you looked after one another. Bev had said, "This town is built on that. We helped each other and got things done." Fay, when planning to start a lumber yard, asked her to work at Spahn and Rose to learn about the running of a lumberyard.

One afternoon, Fay called Bev asking her to take minutes at the Council meeting because the town clerk could not make it. She did and thought she was done. It turned out that she became the town clerk for 17 years and then worked as the Water Clerk for another 22

Bev did not just help Hiawatha as a city employee, she was ver active as a volunteer as well. Bev was a member of Hope United Church of Christ and was active in its growth since 1960. Bev Daws, Wesley Tucker, Bob

Quimby She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary Post 788.

Bev was appointed to the first History Commission and was active for many years. Her meticulous scrapbooks are a basis for seeing the growth of Hiawatha.

Having a street named for Bev, Daws Road, is a small acknowledgement of how intricately she had been in the formation of Hiawatha. We are thankful that she lived her philosophy.







October 8th 2023 2pm-4pm · bring a non-perishable food item -or-school supply item to donate

kids games and activities

selfie station touch-a-truck CPR demonstrations

Jr. Firefighter Challenge firefighters, EMT's and paramedics

SAVE THE DATE



Saturday. November 4

11AM-7PM







allergies or special diets.

TRUNK OR TREAT **OCTOBER 27TH**

4:30 - 5:30PM **GUTHRIDGE PARK** Trick or treat in a safe nvironment for kids with food

https://bit.ly/HiawathaUke







VOLUME 183 BABYSITTING CERTIFICATE armers Market 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 2 Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM 3 Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM

learn basic childcare skills

learn basic firs aid and CPR techniques receive a Red

Cross Certificate upon completion

09 Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM MONDAY 09 Scrabble Club 5:30 - 8:00 PM CTOBER 23RI **HIAWATHA**

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10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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TRACKLESS TRAIN

BALLOON TWISTERS

COSTUME CONTEST

Snapology

Weekend Workshops

09 Paws to Read 6:30 -7:00 PM COMMUNITY O Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM CENTER

1 Expressive Arts 10:00 AM 1 Mahjong 2:00 - 4:00 PM

> 1 Friendship Crochet Club 6:00-8:00 PM Rosie the Riveters of Iowa 6:00 PM

Scrabble Club 1:00 - 4:00 PM Adult Craft Night 6:00 PM

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5 Scrabble Club 1:00 - 4:00 PM

4 Friendship Crochet Club 6:00-8:00 PM

8 Farmers Market 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Free Pound Fitness 6:00 PM

Farmers Market 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM

Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM

Mahjong 2:00 - 4:00 PM Friendship Crochet Club 6:00-8:00 PM

Scrabble Club 1:00 - 4:00 PM at the last Hiawatha Farmers Market Fall Crafts for Kids 3:15 PM

Pied Piper Concert - Strings 9:00 AM Oth Ave Parking Lot at Guthridge Park

22 Farmers Market 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 23 Red Cross Babysitting Clinic 9:00 AM

23 Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM 24 Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM

PRESTIGE DANCE PERFORMANCE 5 Mahjong 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Friendship Crochet Club 6:00-8:00 PM AWARDS FOR MOST CREATIVE. FUNNIEST, SCARIEST AND BEST Scrabble Club 1:00 - 4:00 PM PET COSTUMES (Kiwanis

Tweens Cupcake Decorating 4:00PM Doodlebugs 10:30 AM

7 Teal Trunk or Treat 4:30 - 5:30 PM Farmers Market 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

9 Fall Festival 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

30 Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM Tuesday Tales

For additional information on Parks and Recreation or Library programs and events visit <u>www.Hiawatha-lowa.com/calenda</u>i

October Calendar