



Hill City, Jacobson, and Swatara

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# WINTERFEST 2024

Easton Kingsley Prince



Shaley Pearson Princess















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#### **Committee Assignments for 2024**

#### **Committee**

**MSHSL** Negotiations Committee

Curriculum Committee **Community Education Advisory Council** Meet and Confer

Staff Development School and Community Health Team **Recertification Committee** AARC Comparable Worth Safety/Transportation Committee NESC Athletic Advisory Committee

Itasca Area Schools Collaborative **Policy Committee** 

#### **Representative**

Mark Meyer Jay Zapzalka and Mark Meyer, Ron Saxton Ron Saxton (Joell Miranda, Alt.) Sarah Kingsley (Mark Meyer, Alt.) Joell Miranda and Jeremy Nelson (Ron Saxton, Alt.) Ron Saxton (Joell Miranda, Alt.) Sarah Kingsley and Ron Saxton Jeremy Nelson Mark Meyer Jay Zapzalka Mark Meyer and Jay Zapzalka Mark Meyer Jay Zapzalka and Sarah Kingsley (Mark Meyer, Alt.) Mark Meyer Sarah Kingsley and Ron Saxton



### For School Closings and Emergency Information Broadcasts

| RADIO STATIONS |              |          |  |  |  |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--|--|--|
| RADIO          | USA          | 99.9 FM  |  |  |  |
| KOZY           | Grand Rapids | 1320 AM  |  |  |  |
| KMFY           | Grand Rapids | 96.9 FM  |  |  |  |
| WTBX           | Grand Rapids | 93.9 FM  |  |  |  |
| KAXE           | Grand Rapids | 91.7 FM  |  |  |  |
| KBAJ           |              | 105.5 FM |  |  |  |

#### **Community Newsletter Deadline**

Just a reminder, if you would like an article put in the Community Newsletter, it must be turned in to the school office by the 15th of the month to be put in the following months' newsletter. Newsletters are usually uploaded to the website around the 25th of the month. If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to contact Jessica at (218) 697-2394, ext. 101.

5:00 - 6:00 a.m. for school closings.

UPPORT

**INSTANT ALERT** 

Messenger system will

call parents between

Infinite Campus' Voice WDIO/WIRT

Support Within Reach serves Aitkin county residents. Our within Reach mission: To reduce the impact and harm of sexual violence in

**TV STATIONS** 

**KDLH** 

**KBJR** 

WCCO

the communities we serve. Free and confidential 24 hour Crisis Line:

Call 218-326-5008 or 1-866-747-5008 MEDICAL/LEGAL SUPPORT & FOLLOW-UP PEER COUNSELING COMMUNITY REFERRALS & EDUCATION

#### INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 HILL CITY, MINNESOTA

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2, Hill City, Minnesota, was called to order by Chair at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 26, 2024.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call showed all Members present except Joell Miranda and Ron Saxton.

- 1. Approved the Agenda.
- 2. Approved and Correction the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2024
- 3. Approved the January 2024 bills.
- Presented the current bills through February 9, 2024.
- 5. Reviewed Investments and Wire Transfers.
- 6. Approved the January 2024 receipts.
- 7. Approved the following gifts/donations: Hill City Thrift Store to Prom, the SWARM, and the PBIS Program.
- 8. Open for Consent Items: None
- 9. Comments from Visitors: None.
- 10.Curriculum Committee: Still meeting with foreign language and industrial tech. Looking at options.
- 11. Policy Committee: Looking at dates to meet next month.
- 12.School and Community Health: Met a few times with Aitkin County, Dealing with sickness but seems to be getting better. Opiod committed discussing T21 with shops being so far from the school.
- 13. Fitness Center Committee: No Report
- 14.Safety Committee: Meeting scheduled for March 6 at 7:30 am. On the 18th of March a visit from EMC to walk through the building.
- 15.AIPAC: No report
- 16.Negotiations Committee: Approve the HCUE contract.

- 17. Transportation Committee: No report.
- 18.Community Education Report: None
- 19.Early Childhood Report: None.
- 20.Facilities Director Report: Attached to Official Minutes and made a part thereof.
- 21. Principal's Report
- 22. Superintendent's Report
- 23.Approved the HCUE Master Agreement for 2023-2025.
- 24.Discussed and Approved the FY24 Revised Budget.
- 25.Approved to reduce Early Childhood Teacher Lauren Hidde to .93 FTE for the 24-25 school year.
- 26. Approve to post for a .07 FTE ECFE Parent Educator for the 24-25 school year as per the HCUE contract.
- 27.Approved the revised contract with the city of Hill City for D.A.R.E. and liaison services.
- 28. Approved the Larson elevator contract.
- 29. Approved to hire and Post for a Storm Head Volleyball coach for the 2024-2025 season as per the HCUE contract.
- 30.Approved to hire and Post for a Storm Coop Cross Country Coach.
- 31.Approved to hire Ray Dauphinias as JH baseball coach for the 2023-2024 season as per the HCUE contract.
- 32. Approved hiring Ashley Nutter as Annual Advisor for the remainder of the 23-24 school year as per the HCUE contract.
- 33.Approved to Post for a long term kitchen substitute.
- 34.Approved to Post for a long term Paraprofessional substitute.
- 35.Appointed Jeremy Nelson as Board Member to serve on the World's Best Workforce committee.
- 36.Selected Board Members Joell Miranda, Sarah Kinglsey, and Ron Saxton or Jeremy Nelson to present diplomas during the 2024 Class Graduation Ceremony.

| <ul> <li>37.1st reading of Policies.</li> <li>38. Discussed meetings to be Attended and Meetings Attended.</li> <li>39.Approved to adjourn Meeting at 7:02 pm.</li> <li>Respectfully submitted, Joell Miranda Clerk These are Unofficial Minutes. Complete Minutes of the above Board Meetings and all Board Meetings are on file in the administration office and may be viewed at any time during regular business hours.</li> <li>INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 HILL CITY, MINNESOTA</li> <li>The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2, Hill City, Minnesota, was called to order by Chair at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 13, 2024.</li> </ul> | concerning parcel number 57-1-087800.<br>Mayor Lange read a list of conditions he had for<br>the permit. Council Member Lathrop would like<br>the planting of trees to be added to the list of<br>conditions. The council agreed, Clerk Meyer will<br>add it to the list.<br>Mayor Lange asked if anyone in the audience<br>wanted to speak either for or against the<br>Conditional Use Permit. No audience spoke.<br>Motion made by Benson to approve the<br>Conditional Use Permit with the list of conditions<br>second by Semler. MPU<br>Mayor Lange adjourned the Public Hearing at<br>5:57pm.   |  |  |  |
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| The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.  | City of Hill City Minutes Regular Council Meeting-<br>6:00 pm February 13, 2024<br>Hill City Community Room  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>Roll Call showed all Members present.</li> <li>Approved the Agenda.</li> <li>Approved Resolution awarding the sales of bonds.</li> <li>2nd reading of Policies.</li> <li>Discussed Meetings to be attended and Meetings attended.</li> <li>Approved to adjourn Meeting at 6:18 pm.</li> <li>Respectfully submitted, Joell Miranda Clerk These are Unofficial Minutes. Complete Minutes of the above Board Meetings and all Board Meetings are on file in the administration office and may be viewed at any time during regular business hours.</li> </ol>  | Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance<br>Mayor Lange called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.<br>Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Council<br>Present; Mayor Dave Lange, Council Members Sean<br>Lathrop, Amanda Goodrich,Lin Benson,and Tom<br>Semler.<br>Additions or Corrections to the Agenda<br>Motion made by Benson to approve agenda as<br>presented seconded by Goodrich. MPU<br>Guest Speaker<br>There were no guest speakers.<br>Consent Agenda<br>Motion made by Lathrop to approve the following<br>consent agenda items; minutes of the Regular<br>Council Meeting, Work Session,1/16/2024,<br>Account Balances,Claim's, EFT's, & Transfer from<br>1/31\$5,934.72 mailed on 1/30/24 and from 1/31-2/7<br>\$128,756.91,and reports from Public Works, Fire, |  |  |  |
| City of Hill City Minutes Public Hearing Meeting-<br>5:45 pm February 13,2024<br>Hill City Community Room<br>5:45pm Public Hearing- P. Gerber conditionaluse<br>permit for storage units<br>Mayor Lange called the public hearing to order at<br>5:45pm. Council present; Mayor Dave Lange<br>Council Members Sean Lathrop, Amanda<br>Goodrich, Lin Benson, and Tom Semler.<br>The Public Hearing is regarding a request<br>from Phil Gerber for a Conditional Use Permit<br>for storage units on Quadna Mountain Road   | <ul> <li>Police, and Clerk second by Semler. MPU</li> <li>Maintenance <ul> <li>Lights are on installed on the white truck.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Water</li> <li>On going work with Bolton &amp; Menk on the Water Treatment Plant.</li> <li>Pat is updating meters. Will need to order more within the month.</li> <li>Brushing the easement off of Park Ave. Sewer</li> <li>We will be putting new gates up at the sewer pond.</li> <li>Had to the pump at lift 1because it was clogged. Parks</li> <li>Nothing to report. Airport</li> <li>Did some brushing.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |

• Received notification that we will be receiving the State Grant for the tractor with mower and rotary cutter.

Streets

- Nothing to report. Trail
- Brushing on the whole trail system. Fire

• There were 6 fire/first responder calls for the month.

• The Fish Fry will be on April 27th. Police

1. Squad Car-Shipment came early, Car is here, Ordered \$41,000,refit reusing as much as possible, \$10,300, will be using everything we can to save cost, but due to the difference of brand some will have to be bought

2. Jordan-Baby is here, Jordan will be out until around March 10th, between the part time folks and myself we will still have coverage, with no snow and ice, it's a slower time anyhow.

3. City Events-Christmas in the park was a good time, little cold and small turnout, schools 40th celebration was neat and then the girls game even though we lost had another 1000 point scorer. Traffic Stops- 53; Ambulance- 4; Ordinance Violation -1; Harassment- 3; ATV-1; Motorist Assist- 1; Domestic-1; Civil Matter- 1; Property Check- 84; Public Assist- 3; Welfare Check- 2; Property Damage -1; Lock out -1; Court Order Violation- 1; Crash- 1 Total Calls- 22 Self-Initiated - 137

Clerk

• Meeting with the electronic sign committee.

• Meeting with Mark Jeffers on Affordable Housing

• Month end, quarter end and year end reports are done

• Everything is ready for the audit.

• Brandi and I went to Aitkin for Presential Primary Election Training.

• The following are election judges Linda Karnes- Head Judge, Kristy Washburn, Donna Doege, Cheryl Foix, and Diane Corcoran. Brandi and I as backups

• Upcoming meetings/events

o February pt- Closing on the Temporary Loan for Water Treatment Plant o February 2nd- Mark Jeffers on Affordable Housing

o February 3rct- Winter in the Park o February 6th- Election training

o February rh- Election Machine Training

o February 16th- Momentum Group meeting in Aitkin 10 am o March 1st- Pick up election materials

o March 5th- Presidential Primary

Public Forum- 3-minute limit; No public spoke. Reports:

Mayor and Council

Mayor Lange attended various meetings throughout the month. Sent in a funding request to Pete Stauber for \$600,000 for the forcemain reroute project. He will be going to the State Capitol February 22nct. Both Mayor Lange and Council Member Lathrop will be attending the Advanced Election Officials training in Alexandria next Friday and Saturday.

Engineer

Water Treatment Plant

• The City staff has worked to get temporary financing for Engineering Design fee for the Water Treatment Plant. This cost should eventually be covered by PFA.

• Final engineering design for the project is being advanced.

• High ranking projects on PFA's PPL are highly likely not affected by what happens at the 2024 Legislative Session. This means that there are still WIF or Principal Loan Forgiveness funds available for high ranked projects that are certified by June 6, 2024. (Great news!)

• Bolton & Menk to schedule a design meeting in near future to discuss final details of the project.

• Final plans and specifications need to be submitted to MDH by March 30th.

Lead Service Line Inventory

• Bolton & Menk Inc. has received the Work Order from MDH for the completion of the City's Lead Service Line Inventory.

• Over the next month or two the city with the help of Bolton & Menk Inc. will begin public outreach to try and compile information from residents on the material type of existing water services.

• Next steps would then be to schedule meetings with residents and review record information to supplement the public outreach.

• City's inventory is due in August 2024. Hill City Airport

• Hill City did receive an offer letter for a grant for the acquisition of a Utility Tractor, with mower and rotary cutter for use at the Hill City Airport. \$70,982.14 total cost submitted. Expected 90% grant with 10% local match.

- Attached is the offer letter for the grant.
- Obstruction clearing grant is still in limbo. Bolton & Menk has reached out to MnDOT Aeronautics for

additional information. Forcemain Reroute Project

• Small Cities Grant Development Program did declare the city's 1st round application

"competitive." Great news!

• Bolton & Menk will be completing the application for the second round of the process.

• Timeline of Activities for 2024 SCDP Application-See attached.

Part of the SCDP Application is adopting a Citizen Participation Plan and to have a public hearing. The public hearing is set for March 12th at 5:45 pm. Motion made by Benson approving resolution 2024-4 adopting the citizen participation plan and calling a public hearing as part of the Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) project second by Semler. Roll call vote Semler yes, Benson yes, Goodrich yes, Lathrop yes, and Lange yes. MPU Mayor Lange read the Conflict of Interest Statement for the SCDP application. None of the Council Members have a conflict.

The Council thanked Andrew Beadell for everything he has done and is doing for the city. Citywide GIS Mapping

• Waiting on MnRWA for final mapping data for what they collected for the city.

Mayor Lange received an email from MNDOT. They will be holding a public meeting in March or April on the Round-about. They also stated that the City Welcome sign is partially in their right-of-way and it would need to be removed, as there are no documents stating that it can be there. We will look into the welcome sign on the North end of town also. CEDA

Electronic Sign

• Emails to/from Ross Lewis Signs for design changes.

• Updated prices from Ross Lewis Signs of four options summarized and forwarded.

• Quote #2 received and forwarded from Todd Signs in Duluth.

• Arranged a live demonstration of two mm sizes of signs at the school for the committee to consider resolution quality.

• After the live demo at the school, the committee met with Ross Lewis Signs at Bear Park to discuss placement and other logistics.

• A sign vendor from Brainerd inquired about providing a quote but late in the process.

• The final estimate comparison and proposed final design is on the February 12 city council agenda for consideration.

**Community Events** 

• Attended events meetings on Jan 17, Jan 31and Feb

3. Met with Sue K to review events.

• Winter Beach Party was still held in spite of poor winter weather conditions. Skating and sliding were cancelled. No teams for volleyball or smoosh races. About 25-30 adults, some who are new to the area attended; about 30 children attended. Suggestions for next year were noted in followup meeting on Feb. 3.

• Medallion Hunt is currently underway. CEDA has been assisting with posting the clues on facebook simultaneously as the clues are posted in person at locations.

• Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 23 (Easter is March 31). Details will be discussed at the next meeting on March 6.

Fourth of July: The Whitesidewalls Band has been scheduled for Friday, July 5 from 7:00-10:00. Other:
Attended Parks Committee meeting on January 25. Will be seeking price quotes for stakeholder sign at the playground.

• Forwarded School 40th Celebration information to media outlets, WDIO broadcasted it.

• Forwarded Hill City Lions Club Fishing contest to the media outlets, but then had to send the cancellation notice.

• Attended Access Philanthropy National Funders webinar about out-of-state grants.

• Registered for Aitkin County Workforce Summit workshop in March and forwarded the information to the Hill City contact list

Land Use Committee- P. Gerber conditional use permit, Franko firewood shelter

Approved a Conditional Use Permit for Phil Gerber and a firewood shelter for Franko's.

Events & Planning Committee

Council Member Goodrich informed the council they were working on planning 4th of July activities and the Easter event. She will be taking the lead on the Easter event. They will be looking for funding for these activities.

The Personnel Committee and the Facilities/ Equipment Committee have not met. Clerk Meyer gave the council and department heads a copy of the revised personnel policy for them to review. A work session is set for March 12th at 5:15 pm to discuss the revisions.

Park Committee

Council Member Lathrop asked where we were on getting electricity at the bunk houses. Casper said he was thinking about solar panels. Lathrop would like to see quotes on both electricity and solar for the next meeting.

We will be ordering bunk beds for the new bunk house instead of the maintenance staff building them out of wood.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Public Safety Director Saxton asked if his items

could be moved up on the agenda as he had to go to the school to take care of an issue. The council had no problem with it.

Joint Powers Agreement with BCA and Resolution 2024-3 Joint Powers Agreement

This is the same agreement as we have in place now, it is just a renewal.

Motion made by Benson to approve the Joint Powers Agreement with BCA and Resolution 2024- 3 second by lathrop. Roll call vote lathrop yes, Goodrich yes, Benson yes, Semler yes, and lange yes. MPU Side by Side - Ron

The Fire Department would like to purchase a from Polaris and to get a trailer for it. The money would come from the Public Safety money we received, the sale of the current 4-wheeler and the enclosed trailer, possible money from Enbridge and the rest from the equipment funds. This will be available for all departments to use. Saxton would like approval up to \$55,000.00. It will be fully equipped with lights.

Motion made by Lathrop to purchase the side-by-side second by Benson. MPU New Squad Car- Ron The new squad car arrived 6 months early. At the end of February, it will go in to get all the equipment installed.

lG220 Application for Woodland Chapter MN Deer Hunters Assoc. for Raffle on April 13th Motion made by Benson to approve the Raffle

Application for the Woodland Chapter of the MN Deer Hunters Association second by Semler. MPU KLM Pay Request #4 to pay Viking Industrial Painting \$1,500.00 for the water tower

Motion made by lathrop to approve pay request# 4 second by Semler. MPU

KLM Service Agreement

Motion made by Lathrop to approve the service agreement from KLM second by Semler. MPU Workforce Summit

Council Member Benson would like to attend the Workforce Summit being held in McGregor. Clerk Meyer will sign her up.

Approve White Side Walls Contract

Motion made by Lathrop to approve the contract with White Side Walls to perform on July 5th second by Semler. MPU

Electronic Sign

Lisa Randall,CEDA put together an estimate summary for the electronic sign. The estimates are 16mm 4-foot base \$62,105.00,10mm 4-foot base \$69,214.00,8mm 4-foot base and 8mm 5-foot base. The committee's recommendation is to go with the 8mm 4-foot base for \$76,968.00. There was discussion on where the funding was coming from. Motion made by Benson to purchase the 8mm 4-foot base for \$76,968.00 second by Goodrich. MPU Up Coming Meetings

February 16th- Momentum Group 10 am in Aitkin, March 5th- Presidential Primary Election, March 11th -Start of Audit, March 12th- Work Session, Public Hearing and Regular Meeting. Adjourn

Motion made by Lathrop to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 pm second by Goodrich MPU

#### Hill City Community Education

#### Summer Softball



Sign-up will be April 17, 2024

5:00 pm – 6 pm

#### COACHES ARE NEEDED

Age cut off is August 1st.

Example if a birthdate is July 1 turning 9 yrs old that girl will register and play on the 10u team. If the birthdate is Oct 1. turning 9 they would still be able to play on the 8u team.

8u- for girls who are 6-8 yrs old 12u- for girls 11-12 yrs old 10u- for girls 9-10 yrs old 14u- for girls 13-14 yrs old

For more information contact Tami at 218-697-2394 ext 10172 tmeyer@isd002.org or

Stacey Johnson at 218-259-3690 sjohnson@isd002.org



#### Firearm Safety Class

Mandatory MN State Firearm Safety Training is required of all 12-15 year old students who wish to purchase a Minnesota Archery or Firearms Deer License. Students must attend the full training in order to receive their safety certificate. Students must be 11 years to in roll in class. Adults may take the course for certification as well

#### Students will NOT bring guns to class.

Where Hill City School Community Room

When April 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23

3:30pm till 5:30pm

Range Day will be the 25<sup>th</sup> Go to range around 445pm and class will end at Moose Willow Range.

Parent or Guardian must fill out paperwork by start of second class

#### Cost FREE

Registration is REQUIRED

CERTIFIED

Use the QR Code to sign up or type the link in https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B084FA5AA2DA3FD0-48328640-hill







Last Call

**COSTUME** Committee for 4th of

The roaring twenties

invited ..



Sunday, April 21 4:00-7:00 pm Hill City Fire Hall



\$10 per plate • Children under 5 free

#### Proceeds benefit Hill City 4th of July Celebration



For more info, contact: SueKaslow@yahoo.com

Brought to you by Hill City Events Committee

### **ATV TRAINING**

May 4th at 10:00 a.m. QMP - Quadna Mountain Park OPEN TO AGES 10 & UP

Pre-Registration is required along with the pretest.



You will be told about the Pre-Test when you call to Register.

Class will be given by State Certified Instructors

Call to Save your spot!!! Ginny: 218-360-1913

Newsletter #19

HEALTHY YOUTH

Practical Suggestions for Building Assets in Your Child

### ASSET #15: Positive Peer Influence

Youth are more likely to grow up healthy when their best friends model responsible behavior.

> 60% of youth surveyed by Search Institute have this asset in their lives.

#### What Are Assets?

Assets are 40 key building blocks to help kids succeed. "Positive peer influence" is one of six boundaries and expectations assets.

\* Based on Search Institute surveys of almost 100,000 6th-to 12th-grade youth throughout the United States.

### Photos of Friends: Snapshots of Responsibility

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The best way to encourage children to choose positive, healthy relationships is to model them ourselves. Take out an old yearbook or photo album. Look at pictures of the friends you had as a teenager.

Think about the friends who acted in ways you admired. Most people can remember at least one person who always sensed when things weren't going well and called, sent a note, or showed up to find out what was wrong. Often, these are the people who turned out to be lifelong friends.

How about people who weren't such true friends? Was there someone who spread rumors about you, or talked behind your back? Did you ever have a friend who tried to get you to do things you didn't want to do? The pain of these kinds of experiences often teaches young people a lot about how they want to be treated by others.

No one forced you to like people who were

#### **Helpful Hints**

Tips that encourage your child to choose responsible friendships:

- Get to know your child's friends and their families. Point out what you like about them.
- Get to know the parents of your children's friends. Share your values and rules with them and ask them about theirs.
- Don't jump to conclusions based on what friends look like.
- Be honest with your child when you're concerned about a relationship.



good to you, or feel angry at people who hurt you. You had to make your own choices about who your friends were. In the same way, we can't control who our children choose as friends. They are exploring their world, themselves, and the people around them. Sometimes they're attracted to people we don't approve of (and that, deep inside, they probably don't approve of either). Other times they say the 'good' kids are boring. However, if we model responsible relationships, talk to our children about how others act, and are involved in their lives, gradually they'll see that friends who act, talk, and think in positive ways will bring out the best in them.

## time together

Three ways to help your child choose responsible friends:

- Make sure your kids get to know your friends. The best way to
- teach is to be a role model. Include your child's friends in
- some family activities. Get to
   know them.

3. Talk about your childhood friends and why some friendships ended.





**Requested Donations** Adults - \$10.00 Children (6 - 12) - \$5.00

5 & under – Free



Includes: potato salad, cole slaw, beans, buns, and beverage

**Fire Hall** 



APRIL 13TH. 2024 YANMAR ARENA. GRAND RAPIDS BALL BEGINS AT 6:30 P.M.

WE INVITE ALL FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES TO ACCOMPANY THEIR YOUNG LADIES TO A NIGHT OF DANCING AND TREATS.



MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE: ITASCA FATHER DAUGHTER BALL 218-259-9442 (RISA)



PRE-SALE ARMBANDS & ONSITE PHOTOGRAPHY BEGINS AT 2:00 **GENTLEMEN \$30** 



9th grade by invitation only More info to come

ElderCircle offers in-person exercise sessions in Hill City and Jacobson! Times and locations below. Stay Active & Independent for Life (SAIL) is a low-impact fitness program designed specifically for older adults to build muscle strength, improve balance and increase flexibility to maintain or regain an active lifestyle. Sessions are 90 minutes, held twice a week, led

by trained volunteers.

Open to adults of all ages at no cost.

- Hill City Fire Hall
- Mondays & Wednesdays, 9:00 10:30 am
- Jacobson Community Center
- Mondays & Wednesdays, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM



If you are interested in either attending as a participant and/ or serving as a volunteer, please contact: Lori Whitted at lori@eldercircle.org or 218-999-9233 x278

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|   | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | 1  |
|   | 1<br>NO SCHOOL  | 2<br>Muffin,<br>Cheese Stick   | 3<br>French Toast<br>Sticks,<br>Sausage Link                            | 4<br>Biscuits &<br>Gravy   | 5<br>Cinnamon Roll,<br>Cheese Stick or<br>Yogurt            |  |
| Offer-vs-Serve<br>Build a healthy<br>Meal. Select a full<br>or 1/2 serving of | 8<br>Apple Frudel   | 9<br>Muffin,<br>Cheese Stick   | 10<br>Breakfast<br>Pizza  | 11<br>Cereal,<br>Grahams,<br>Oatmeal                                 | 12<br>Cinnamon Roll,<br>Cheese Stick or<br>Yogurt           | Fruit & Milk<br>Served Daily<br>with Lunch |
| 14  | 15<br>E-LEARNING<br>DAY   | 16<br>Cereal,<br>Grahams,<br>Oatmeal                                       | 17<br>French Toast<br>Sticks,<br>Sausage Patty                          | 18<br>Muffin,<br>Cheese Stick  | 19<br>Cinnamon Roll,<br>Cheese Stick or<br>Yogurt           | 20   |
| 21  | 22<br>Strawberry<br>Bagel   | 23<br>Muffin,<br>Cheese Stick  | 24<br>Biscuits &<br>Gravy   | 25<br>Cereal,<br>Grahams,<br>Oatmeal                                 | 26<br>Cinnamon Roll,<br>Cheese Stick or<br>Yogurt           | 27   |
| 28  | 29<br>Muffin,<br>Cheese Stick   | 30<br>Cereal,<br>Grahams,<br>Oatmeal                                       |   |  |   | Menu subject<br>to change at<br>anytime    |
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| Offer-vs-Serve<br>Build a healthy<br>Meal. Select a full<br>or 1/2 serving of | 1<br>NO SCHOOL  | Tuesday<br>2<br>Breaded Chicken<br>Sandwich, LTO,<br>Cheese,<br>Tater Tots | Wednesday<br>3<br>Taco Soup,<br>WG Chips,<br>Turkey Sandwich            | 4<br>Corn Dogs,<br>Potato Rounds,<br>Mixed Veggies                   | Friday<br>5<br>Ham & AuGratin<br>Potatoes,<br>Peas, Roll    | 6<br>Saturday                              |
| fruit or veggie &<br>a minimum of 2<br>other full meal<br>components.         | 8<br>Chicken Poppers,<br>Potato Poppers,<br>Gravy, Corn,<br>Cali Veggies    | 9<br>Minestrone Soup<br>Hot Ham &<br>Cheese,<br>Salad Bar                  | 10<br>Chicken Fajita<br>with Fixings,<br>Rice, Beans                    | 11<br>Spaghetti with<br>Meatballs, Garlic<br>Toast,<br>Mixed Veggies | 12<br>Cheese<br>Quesadilla w/<br>Fixings,<br>Corn, Salsa    | 13   |
| 5 meal compo-<br>nents are offered<br>daily. Students<br>must select a        | <sup>15</sup><br>E-LEARNING<br>DAY  | 16<br>Chicken<br>Sandwich, LTO,<br>Cheese, Fries,<br>Baby Carrots          | 17<br>Breakfast for Lunch<br>Ham Tot Bowl,<br>Biscuit,<br>Veggie Sticks | 18<br>Cheese Quesadilla<br>w/ Fixings,<br>Corn,<br>Salsa             | 19<br>Hoagie<br>Sandwich,<br>Veggies w/ Dip                 | Fruit, Juice<br>and Milk<br>served Daily   |
| One of the<br>components must<br>be a fruit or<br>veggie.                     | 22<br>Sloppy Joe on<br>Bun, Cheese,<br>Hash Brown<br>Pattie,<br>Green Beans | 23<br>French Bread<br>Pizza,<br>Marinara,<br>Veggies & Dip                 | 24<br>Chicken Rice<br>Soup, Ham &<br>Cheese,<br>Baby Carrots            | 25<br>FARM<br>2<br>SCHOOL  | 26<br>Pulled Pork<br>Sandwich,<br>Potato Salad,<br>Coleslaw | 27   |
| 28  | 29<br>Tomato Soup,<br>Grilled Cheese,                                       | 30<br>Chicken Gravy,<br>Mashed Potaotes,<br>Corn or Green                  |   |  |   | Menu subject<br>to change at               |

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# Erickson's Update

Dear Hill City School Community,

As we move into the month of April, I wanted to provide you with some important updates and information concerning our school community.

First, I want to take this opportunity to inform you about the upcoming Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) that will be taking place at our school in the coming weeks. The MCA tests are an important part of our school's assessment program and help us to evaluate student progress and achievement. These assessments provide valuable information that helps us to ensure that all students are receiving a highguality education and meeting academic standards. We encourage all students to do their best on the MCA tests and to approach them with a positive attitude. We believe in the potential of each and every student and are confident that they can succeed on these assessments with hard work and determination.

In addition, our 6-12 grade students will be participating in a community service project during the month of May. Swarm will be leading the students in a community clean up project. Our students are excited to give back to our community by volunteering their time and keeping our community clean heading into summer. Baseball and softball games are coming up. Follow our website for game schedules and changes.

Lastly, Hill City School Graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 24th at 7:00. We appreciate community support during this time and we look forward to celebrating our seniors as they head into the next phase of their lives.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any member of our teaching staff.

Sincerely, Zac Erickson **EC-12** Principal