



**Polk City** | IOWA  
A City for All Seasons

## Citizens Academy • Fall 2023 Schedule

*The Polk City Citizens Academy is sponsored by the Mayor and City Council.*

*The Academy addresses one of the established goals of the City Council which is to “connect our community” with each other and with local government officials.*

### Week 1: PUBLIC WORKS

Thursday, September 21 (5:30-8pm)  
Presenter: Mike Schulte, Public Works Director

### Week 2: PUBLIC SAFETY

Thursday, September 28 (5:30-8pm)  
Presenters: Jeremy Siepker, Police Chief  
Karla Hogrefe, Fire Chief

### Week 3: CULTURE & RECREATION

Thursday, October 5 (5:30-8pm)  
Presenters: Jamie Noack, Library Director  
Jason Thraen, Parks & Recreation Director

### Week 4: CITY GOVERNMENT & ADMINISTRATION

Thursday, October 12 (5:30-8pm)  
Presenters: Chelsea Huisman, City Manager  
Jenny Coffin, City Clerk

### Week 5: CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, October 23 (6pm)  
Mayor Steve Karsjen  
Council Members: Jeff Walters, Dave Dvorak, Rob Sarchet, Mandy Vogel, Ron Anderson

If you have ever wondered how the City functions behind the scenes, then this academy is for you! During this FREE five-week experience you will become more connected with your local government. Applications are available at City Hall or on the City website [www.polkcitiya.gov](http://www.polkcitiya.gov). Class size is limited to 15 participants so **APPLY TODAY!** Dinner will be provided on Thursdays.

*For questions about the Citizens Academy please call the Clerk's Office (515)-984-6233 or email [support@polkcitiya.gov](mailto:support@polkcitiya.gov)*