



To: Mayor and City Council

From: Dylan Mulfinger

Subject: Housing Committee Minutes August 2022

Date: 8/15/2022

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Present: DeVore, Payne, Mulfinger, Fisk, Garrigus

Guest: Assessor Vicky Halstead

Payne opened the meeting as Chair.

Halstead talked in depth about property taxes and how the assessed value was set. She stated that Oelwein had a large number of sales that will push up assessed values the next year. She also has to follow state rules with the state coming in and doing equalization orders.

The committee asked several questions about values and how homes were assessed.

Mulfinger presented that the slum and blight survey was near completion and would be presented at the next meeting in September.

Mulfinger showed the home plans for empty lots. The committee wanted to pursue the four plex options with detached garages.

The next meeting will be September 19 at 4:00 PM at the City Council Chambers.

Goals:

- Build 30 homes
- Enforce ordinances or get rid of them
- Tiny homes on 50 foot lots
- Rezone for manufactured homes
- Market empty lots
- Tax abatement program
- Local investors for rentals
- Senior housing
- Build small homes