



# Minutes

## City Council Work Session Meeting

Oelwein City Hall, 20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein, Iowa

July 14, 2025 - 6:30 PM

### Roll Call

**Present:** Lenz, Cantrell, Payne, Seeders, Ricchio, Weber

**Also Present:** Mayor DeVore, City Administrator Mulfinger

**Absent:** NA

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Discussions

1. Chapter 10, Industrial Property Tax Exception Discussion.

Mulfinger opened the topic by asking if the council had any changes to the updated code before it goes to a vote. No comments were provided. Mulfinger advised the ordinance will go before the council at the next meeting.

2. 27 South Frederick Avenue Discussion.

Paul and Sharon Schemmel were present to discuss their offer for 27 South Frederick. Mulfinger advised the city council the Schemmels have made significant investment in their building, 25 South Fredrick, and their plan for 27 will add to their property.

Council members asked about timeline, and other items on their proposal.

Mulfinger mentioned the council can determine a price, but providing the property at a heavy discount would act as an economic development incentive for the property.

The city council directed the city administrator to place the item on the next agenda for a vote to sell.

3. 1 South Frederick Avenue Discussion.

Denny Martin talked about the history of his building and the need for funding.

Mayor Brett DeVore asked several questions about the need and the plan for the building.

The city council questioned the future of the apartments and what will be completed after the renovation. The city council asked about the funding options and where the funding would come from for this building. Mulfinger advised that the downtown TIF funds would be used for this project.

The city council directed the city administrator to place the item on the next agenda.

### Adjournment