



Minutes

City Council Meeting
20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein
April 27, 2026 - 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order Mayor DeVore called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Roll Call Present: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Gearhart, Ricchio
Also Present: Mayor DeVore, City Administrator Mulfinger, City Clerk/Treasurer Rigdon
Absent: Cannon

Proclamation

A. Childcare Provider Appreciation Day.

Mayor DeVore read the Childcare Provider Appreciation Day Proclamation.

Additions or Deletions

A motion was made by Cantrell, seconded by Ricchio to adopt the agenda as amended.

All aye. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

1. Consideration of a motion approving the April 13, 2026 minutes.
2. Claims Resolution in the amount of \$1,419,649.65.
3. Consideration of a motion to approve the Class 'B' Retail Alcohol License amendment for Dollar General.
4. Consideration of a motion to approve the Class 'C' Retail Alcohol License for Depot Park.
5. Consideration of a resolution approving the final expense reimbursement number six in the amount of \$186,720.81 for the Oelwein RISE Day Habilitation Center Improvements Project.

Resolution No. 5891-2026 was applied to this resolution.

6. Consideration of a resolution approving Pay Application No. 7 in the amount of \$104,946.10 to Taylor Construction for the 10th St. Bridge Project.

Resolution No. 5892-2026 was applied to this resolution.

7. Consideration of a resolution approving a payment to AECOM in the amount of \$30,293.92 for the OLZ T-Hangar Taxilanes Rehabilitation.

Resolution No. 5893-2026 was applied to this resolution.

8. Consideration of a resolution to approve setting a public hearing for May 11th, 2026 at 6:00 PM for the construction plan specifications for the OLZ Rehabilitation of the T-Hangar Taxilanes.

Resolution No. 5894-2026 was applied to this resolution.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to adopt the consent agenda.

All aye. Motion carried.

Ordinances

- 9. Consideration of an ordinance amending Chapter 19 – Animal and Fowl - Sections 19-0.5 through 19-39 Related to Animal and Fowl. - Third and Final Reading.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve Ordinance No. 1228.

Aye: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nay: NA

Absent: Cannon Motion carried.

Resolutions

- 10. Consideration of a resolution approving a contract for grant writing services with MSA in the amount of \$15,000 for a Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Gearhart to approve Resolution No. 5895-2026.

Aye: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nay: NA

Absent: Cannon Motion carried.

- 11. Consideration of a resolution approving a contract for codification services with Simmering-Cory in the amount of \$10,000.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Gearhart to approve Resolution No. 5896-2026.

Aye: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nay: NA

Absent: Cannon Motion carried.

- 12. Consideration of a resolution approving the bid for the 2026 Seal Coat Project to Blacktop Services \$4.58/square yard.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve Resolution No. 5897-2026.

Aye: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nay: NA

Absent: Cannon Motion carried.

Motions

- 13. Consideration of a motion to direct the City Administrator to enforce the ordinance Article II Collections Sec 16-20.023.

Mayor DeVore questioned how it would be enforced, who would enforce it, and how would it affect the budget. DeVore had concerns about the costs versus the benefits. Councilmember Ricchio would like to see the current code be enforced. Councilmember Weber stated the junk haulers in town should be using equipment that should meet standards. Councilmember Gearhart stated he doesn't want to make it harder for the junk haulers, as the junk needs to be removed.

A motion was made by Cantrell, seconded by Ricchio to move the discussion to a work session.

All aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- 14. Report from Payne on the Library Board Meeting Minutes.

For full minutes, please visit: <https://www.oelwein.lib.ia.us/about/library-board-minutes-1>

15. Report from Cantrell on the Park and Recreation Commission Minutes.

For full minutes, please visit: <https://www.cityofelwein.org/bc-parks/page/parks-and-recreation-30>

16. Report from Gearhart on the Airport Board Minutes.

For full minutes, please visit: <http://cityofelwein.org/bc-ab/page/airport-board-54>

Council Updates

Councilmember Ricchio stated businesses have reached out to him to change the TIF Application to improve the exterior of the downtown buildings.

Mayor's Report

- B. Vacant Positions on Zoning Boards of Adjustments.

Mayor DeVore stated there are two vacancies on the Zoning Boards of Adjustments.

City Attorney's Report

- D. City Attorney.

City Administrator's Report

- E. City Administrator.

City Administrator Mulfinger stated the state house is currently working in overtime in making decisions on property taxes.

Adjournment

- F. Additional Information.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 PM.

All aye.

Motion carried.

Brett DeVore, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator

I, Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator in and for the City of Oelwein, Iowa do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true accounting of the Council Proceedings held April 27, 2026 and copy of said proceedings was furnished to the Register April 29, 2026.

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator