



Minutes

City Council Meeting
20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein
April 14, 2025 - 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

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

Also Present: Mayor DeVore, City Administrator Mulfinger, City Clerk/Treasurer Rigdon

Absent: NA

Arbor Day Proclamation

1. **Arbor Day Proclamation.**

Mayor DeVore read and signed the proclamation.

Additions or Deletions

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Lenz to approve the agenda as amended.

All aye.

Motion carried.

Citizens Public Comments

2. Public Comments.

No oral or written comments were received.

Consent Agenda

3. Consideration of a motion to approve the March 24, 2025 minutes.

4. Consideration of a resolution authorizing the temporary closure of public ways or grounds for Oelwein Fire Fighters' Foundation on April 26, 2025.

Resolution No. 5725-2025 was applied to this street closure

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Lenz to approve the consent agenda.

All aye.

Motion carried.

Public Hearing

5. Public Hearing on April 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers for the proposed City Budget for the Fiscal Year 2026 (2025-2026).

Mayor DeVore opened the public hearing.

No oral or written comments were received.

Mayor DeVore closed the public hearing.

6. Public Hearing on April 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers for the lot sale of 407 3rd St. SW in the amount of \$500.00 to Premier Real Estate, LLC.

Mayor DeVore opened the public hearing.

No oral or written comments were received.

Mayor DeVore closed the public hearing.

7. Public Hearing on April 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers for the lot sale of 618 2nd Avenue SW in the amount of \$105.00 to Steven Wenner.

Mayor DeVore opened the public hearing.

No oral or written comments were received.

Mayor DeVore closed the public hearing.

8. Public Hearing on April 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers for the demolition of 27 South Frederick.

Mayor DeVore opened the public hearing.

No oral or written comments were received.

Mayor DeVore closed the public hearing.

Resolutions

9. Consideration of a resolution approving proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 5726-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

10. Consideration of a resolution approving support for the local match of the application through the Iowa Department Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEMD) to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for funding from the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to adopt Resolution No. 5727-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

11. Consideration of a resolution approving Pay Application No. 6 in the amount of \$30,210.00 to Woodruff Construction for the Oelwein Municipal Airport Airfield Vault.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Ricchio to adopt Resolution No. 5728-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

12. Consideration of a resolution approving the bid for the demolition of 27 South Frederick Avenue to Matt Construction in the amount of \$96,900.00.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 5729-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

13. Consideration of a resolution approving the bid for the 2025 Seal Coat project to Blacktop Service in the amount of \$491,622.00.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Ricchio to adopt Resolution No. 5730-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

14. Consideration of a resolution approving the reduction of the price of bulk items stickers for Oelwein residents to \$10.00 as part of the annual large item cleanup program from May through August.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to adopt Resolution No. 5731-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

15. Consideration of a resolution approving sale and transfer of city owned real estate located at 407 3rd Street SW to Premier Real Estate, LLC. in the amount of \$500.00.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Payne to adopt Resolution No. 5732-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

16. Consideration of a resolution approving sale and transfer of city owned real estate located at 618 2nd Avenue SW to Steven Wenner in the amount of \$105.00.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Seeders to adopt Resolution No. 5733-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

17. Consideration of a resolution setting a public hearing on April 28, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the Oelwein City Council Chambers for the lot sale of 132 6th Avenue SE in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Jacob Ball.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 5734-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

18. Consideration of a resolution setting a public hearing on April 28, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the Oelwein City Council Chambers for the lot sale of 221 4th Street NW in the amount of \$200.00 to Hunter Farrand.

A motion was made by Seeders, seconded by Payne to adopt Resolution No. 5735-2025.

Ayes: Ricchio, Weber, Lenz, Cantrell, Seeders, Payne

Nays: NA

Motion carried.

Motions

19. Consideration of a motion to seek bids on the Oelwein Municipal Urban Trail System - Segment Two.

A motion was made to Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve seeking bids on the Oelwein Municipal Urban Trail System - Segment Two. All aye. Motion carried.

20. Consideration of a motion approving the direction from the Planning, Finance, Enterprise and Economic Development Committee on the Hotel Motel request of \$1,500.00 to the Williams Center for the Arts.

A motion was made to Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve the direction from the Planning, Finance, Enterprise and Economic Development Committee to approve the Hotel Motel request of \$1,500.00 to the Williams Center for the Arts. All aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

21. Report from Seeders on the April Library Board meeting minutes.

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

Council Updates

Ricchio mentioned he would like to see the name of the city on the west water tower. Public Works Superintendent Doudney stated the city's name was located in the logo. Ricchio also remarked he received complaints regarding the trash behind the theater. Ricchio continued by stating he would like the city to issue permits to garbage companies in town. This way the city would have more authority and it would make additional revenue.

Cantrell mentioned she continues to pick up animal waste on the along the trails and park that the pet owner ought to be responsible for.

Mayor's Report

- A. Vacancies on Boards and Commissions.

Mayor DeVore reminded council of the various vacancies on the boards and commissions.

- B. Consideration of a motion approving the mayor's appointment of William Kajewski to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve the mayor's appointment of William Kajewski to the Planning and Zoning Commission. All aye. Motion carried.

City Administrator's Report

City Administrator Mulfinger reported the community survey used for the Community Development Block Grant water/sewer grant was successful.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Seeders, seconded by Weber to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 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 14, 2025 and copy of said proceedings was furnished to the Register April 15, 2025.

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator