



# Minutes

Work Session

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

March 14, 2022 - 6:30 PM

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Discussions

### 1. Discussion on Council Conduct

DeVore advised that it was not council's job to check in on departments and talk to department heads about issues. DeVore advised all council members need to work through the City Administrator. DeVore stressed that council is a policy making board and does not manage staff, only the City Administrator. Seeders provided a comment saying that it is council's job to manage the City Administrator, and the City Administrator's job to manage the staff.

### 2. Discussion on City Council Goals

DeVore said they would discuss this item at the next meeting as Dylan was out due to sickness.

### 3. Discussion on Community Development

Council had discussion on the current rental inspection process.

Stewart questioned how the city monitored properties to make sure they were registered and what constitutes a rental property.

Mike Kerns from the audience stated that any house occupied not by the owner was a rental.

Kerns stated that only two appeals have made their way to the Board, so the current process was working.

Stewart was concerned the city could not tell people how to live if they chose to live in a less than clean home.

Kerns discussed the tag procedures on homes and tenants must make an attempt to have a clean home before a rental inspection.

A discussion on bed bugs took place.

DeVore advised that council has the information and that when the City Administrator returns, they should be ready to discuss.

### 4. Discussion on Salary Resolution

DeVore said they would discuss this item at the next meeting as Dylan was out due to sickness.

## Adjournment