



Minutes

City Council Work Session
20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein
June 13, 2022 - 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussions

1. Discussion on Public Works.

Mulfinger presented on officially naming the streets, water, and wastewater to Public Works Department. Mulfinger presented an organizational chart.

Weber questioned if the Administrative Assistant would remain in the department.

Mulfinger informed council that the Administrative Assistant would remain and be under the Public Works Director. The biggest change would be creating an Assistant Public Works Director and providing them with more supervisor responsibilities.

Mulfinger briefly talked about the Grade IV issue and the possibility of bringing in a retired Grade IV worker to fill gaps that are open right now.

With no major objections or direction, Mulfinger let council know that he will bring the change by resolution to Council.

2. Discussion on Fee Schedule.

Mulfinger discussed each department with Council.

Seeders questioned if a person had to pay for their own accident report. Mulfinger was unsure and would get back with an answer.

Payne discussed the dog fees. She questioned if cats should be registered. Mulfinger said that the dog registration fees were used as an enforcement tool when issues arose, and the fees were not regularly policed.

Stewart questioned if the city charged for responding to fires. Mulfinger said the city does charge for responding to fires. Mulfinger explained that the new fee for the fire department would simplify the charging.

Seeders asked if the Fire Department still helped people locked out. Mulfinger said that the service has ended now that the department is all volunteer.

Stewart requested that the hanger rental fees be adjusted. Stewart said they have not been updated in a long time. Mulfinger responded that staff will look at new rates.

Payne questioned why adult sports was not going to increase. Mulfinger was unsure and would get back with an answer.

Council had a lengthy discussion on pool pass rates. Mulfinger informed council that he will work with Joshua Johnson more and clear up their concerns. Mulfinger suggested a family swim from 6-7 at a reduced rate. Council discussed vouchers for someone if the pool closed within 15 minutes of them paying for a day pass. Payne felt that refunds would be a good idea. Weber questioned the tracking of refunds and how much staff time it would take.

Mulfinger informed Council he would come back with answers and a resolution to adopt.

3. Discussion on Rental Inspections.

Mulfinger let Council know no firms had shown interest for completing rental inspections for Oelwein.

Mayor DeVore questioned why the Cedar Rapids firm showed so much interest, but never completed a proposal.

Mulfinger let Council know he had an accepted offer for Building Official. Mulfinger would then add a Building Inspector from the potential candidates if possible.

No objections were provided by Council.

Adjournment