



Minutes

City Council Work Session Meeting

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

January 20, 2025 - 5:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussions

1. Discussion on Parks/Campground/Aquatics/Cemetery budget.

Joshua Johnson, Parks Director, presented the budget for Parks, Campground, Aquatics, and Cemetery. Johnson explained the difficulties it has been to take on extra work outside the scope of the parks department.

The city council raised concerns about the aquatic center loss.

2. Discussion on Wellness budget.

Mulfinger walked council through the last six months of the city having the school manage the Wellness Center. The city council raised concerns about the loss of revenue. Mulfinger said he would come back in February to talk about the loss and what the next steps need to be for the city.

3. Discussion on Administration budget.

Mulfinger discussed the administration budget, tax levy, franchise fees, and local option sales tax. Mulfinger took time to walk the city council through the tax levy and talk about where funds are generated and where they are spent. Mulfinger said a major spending cut needed to occur in the general fund and a solution will have to come in 2025. The city council recognized that 27 South Frederick will take up most of the tear down money for FY2026. Mulfinger also talked about downtown TIF and downtown sidewalks.

Adjournment