



Minutes

Public Safety Meeting

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

April 11, 2022 - 5:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussions

1. Discussion of golf carts usage within city limits.

Mulfinger informed the committee the ordinance was provided by the City Attorney. Mulfinger said he needed direction from the committee on the next step as this ordinance was moved to the committee from council.

Weber informed the committee he was not interested in golf carts at all and he would not support an ordinance. Weber was concerned they are not vehicles and cannot keep up with regular traffic. Weber said that golf carts had no regulation like UTVs and they lack all safety features.

Payne questioned why Weber was okay with bicycles, scooters, and mopeds; but not golf carts.

Weber said that golf carts are not designed for roads and would be more of a hazard than a benefit to the community.

Lenz mentioned motorized scooters were now using city sidewalks and not obeying and traffic laws.

Weber advised the city to wait a year for UTVs to have their impact then consider golf carts.

Payne said that she wants golf carts because they would provide less of a carbon footprint than cars.

Lenz motioned to send the decision to proceed with an ordinance to council on the May 9 agenda.

Payne seconded. Lenz and Payne voted aye, and Weber voted nay.

Adjournment