



Minutes

City Council Work Session

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

July 26, 2021 - 5:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussions

1. Discussion on Unsafe Structure

Mulfinger explained that 27 South Frederick was currently deemed unsafe and was placarded by Community Development. The City had already charge the owner twice for not meeting deadlines. The owner has no resources or income to take care of the building.

Mike Leo spoke about the issues of odor and mold he has had from the buildings.

DeVore wanted to see the city act on the building.

Shekleton talked about the condition of the building. While it was not going to fall down, the roof needs serious attention. The first step is cleaning it out.

Cantrell felt that the city needed to act now.

Mulfinger reminded council that in order to get into the building the city would need a court order. Mulfinger talked in detail about how the city should move on this building and try to get it through a quick claim deed. The city should be in charge of this building and not wait on the owner who has failed to take care of it for several years. Mulfinger talked about the price of a tear down be estimated at \$80,000 and that only one resource from the state may qualify the building for repairs.

Logan let council know that with health and safety issues the city can act quicker.

Dillon spoke about the next steps and said he would work with Shekleton.

Cantrell wants to see fast action.

Mulfinger informed council that this process will still take time as the city will wait on the owner and the court system.

Adjournment

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator