



Minutes

Goals Work Session

Oelwein Community Plaza, 25 West Charles, Oelwein, Iowa

September 21, 2020 - 5:30 PM

Present: Mayor DeVore, City Administrator Mulfinger, Fisk, Stewart, Seeders, Payne, Cantrell

Also Present: Vic Kane, Joshua Johnson, Barb Rigdon, Jay Shekleton, Jessica Burkhart, Deb Howard of OCAD

Absent: Matt Weber, Jeremy Logan

Discussions

1. Discussion on Council Goals

- Airport
 - Council wants to continue with the airport breaking even each year. Council would like to look into a service that provides airport administration. Staff should proceed with the fuel improvements as needed.
- Wellness Center
 - Council wants to see a reduction in the loss by 25 percent.
 - Council wants to see more members for the center with more corporate members.
- Landfill Commission Recycle Bins
 - City Council wants the Landfill Commission to take more responsibility for the bins.
 - The Commission should find the location for the bins and keep the sight clean.
 - City Council will vote to suspend payments to the commission until the commission acts on some of the requests from the city
- Utilities
 - Council wants to see fees reflect usage for water and wastewater
 - Council does not believe residents should be paying for the treatment of industrial water
 - The Council wants to continue minimum increases but does not want to see a large increase
- Audit
 - City council directed staff to work on all findings from the auditor within the year they are found
- Abatement Officer
 - Council wanted to look into privatizing the inspections of rental properties so that current staff can focus on code enforcement
- Police manpower
 - Council pushed this discussion until the budget discussion with the police chief
- Volunteer Firemen Numbers
 - Council discussed starting a program that focused on high school seniors and juniors
- Speed Cameras
 - No discussion
- City owned Properties
 - Mulfinger provided an update
- City Hall
 - Mulfinger discussed the current state of City Hall and the reoccurring issues
 - Stewart said a vote should take place with the community to build a new one
 - Cantrell wanted to see staff in a better building
 - Seeders did not want the current building to be invested in with any updates if the end goal was to leave
 - DeVore said that improvements needed to be made now so that it could open up to the public while the council worked with staff on a forever solution

- Other goals
- Mulfinger let Council know about other work he also feels is important
 - City Admin items
 - New zoning book
 - New website
 - Code on the city's website
 - Park master plan
 - City park goals to become best park in the city
 - Downtown grants for buildings \$500,000 from the state

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator