



Minutes

City Council Work Session Meeting

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

March 09, 2026 - 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussions

1. Discussion on 6th Street NE Improvement.

Mulfinger presented the city council the option to pursue street improvements on 6th St. NE. The water project on 6th St. NE would bring improvements to the street, which makes adding this project ideal for a complete street improvement.

Weber reminded the city council the residents of wings east remember their street assessments and will contact the city council if a road repair is made with no assessments.

Gearhart questioned why some homes received an assessment, but not all.

Mulfinger talked about the current policy for assessments. Any street being improved not because of a water and sewer issue receives an assessment. Chip seal roads are not assessed. With 6th being a minor arter, the assessment would be less than 50 percent of the total cost. The assessment cost for each property will be based on frontage to the road.

Jon Biderman from Fehr Graham talked extensively about the project, drainage, and the current road conditions. Biderman advised some parts of the road will be crack and seat and some of the road has to be reconstructed. Biderman will try and get the water infiltration away from under the road.

Mulfinger advised we are in the very early stages of the project.

The city council was not interested in adding a sidewalk at this time as 5th St. NE was a better candidate. Biderman also said the space of 6th was tight on the north side.

The city council directed Mulfinger to work on a task order with Fehr Graham.

The assessment process requires notification of property owners and a public meeting.

Mulfinger advised the project would be in 2027 should the city council approve the project.

2. Discussion on the Big O Weekend.

Mulfinger updated the city council on the need for funding for the event. Mulfinger advised the city council to stay in Oelwein on July 10 and 11.

Adjournment