

March 24, 2023

Attn: Dylan Mulfinger  
City Administrator  
City of Oelwein  
20 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. SW  
Oelwein, Iowa 50662

RE: Oelwein Plaza Park Improvements  
Bid Award Recommendation

Dear Dylan:

The City of Oelwein received two complete bid packages for the Oelwein Plaza Park Improvements project on March 24, 2023. Confluence has reviewed and tabulated the bids and compared them to the engineer's cost opinion. The low bid was from Matt Construction, Inc of Sumner, Iowa with a total bid of \$646,512.00 The Design Team estimate for the project was \$507,400.00. During our review we did not identify any mathematical errors or major discrepancies in the Contractor's bid form.

The primary differences between the estimated cost of the project and the bid cost of the project appears to be an increase in unit costs over the expected. And while the low bid reflects an increase in anticipated cost for the improvement project it is our recommendation to award the contract for this work to Matt Construction, Inc.

If you have any questions, please give me a call to discuss.

Best Regards,

**Confluence**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patrick R. Alvord', written in a cursive style.

Patrick R. Alvord, PLA, RA, LEED AP  
Principal