

Minutes

City Council Meeting
20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein
April 13, 2026 - 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order Mayor DeVore called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Roll Call

Present: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio (via speaker phone)

Also Present: Mayor DeVore, City Administrator Mulfinger, Administrative Assistant McKee

Absent: NA

Additions or Deletions

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Gearhart to adopt the agenda as presented.

All aye. Motion carried.

Proclamation

A. Arbor Day Proclamation.

Mayor DeVore read the Arbor Day Proclamation. Park Superintendent Johnson accepted the proclamation. Johnson stated, to date; the Tree Board has planted 1,029 trees in the city. City Administrator Mulfinger stated Johnson was recently awarded the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Outstanding Professional award for his work with the Tree Board and all of his efforts in planting trees in the community.

Consent Agenda

1. Consideration of a motion approving the March 23, 2026 minutes.
2. Consideration of a resolution approving Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$990.00 to Baker Enterprises, Inc. for the Oelwein Trails Segment 2.

Resolution No. 5883-2026 was applied to this resolution.

3. Consideration of a resolution approving Pay Application No. 3 in the amount of \$25,843.80 to Baker Enterprises, Inc. for the Oelwein Trails Segment 2.

Resolution No. 5884-2026 was applied to this resolution.

4. Consideration of a resolution amending the engineering services agreement with AECOM for the OLZ Rehabilitate T-Hangar Taxi lanes project in the amount of \$9,500.00.

Resolution No. 5885-2026 was applied to this resolution.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to adopt the consent agenda.

All aye. Motion carried.

Public Hearing

5. Public Hearing for the proposed City Budget for the Fiscal Year 2027 (2026-2027) on April 13, 2026 at 6:00 PM at the Oelwein City Council Chambers.

Mayor DeVore opened the Public Hearing.

No written or oral comments were received.

Mayor DeVore closed the Public Hearing.

Ordinances

6. Consideration of an ordinance amending, Chapter 6, Article IV, Oelwein Airport Board, Section 6-103 Meeting and Minutes of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Oelwein, Iowa. - Third and Final Reading.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve Ordinance No. 1227.

Ayes: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nays: None

Absent: NA

Motion carried.

7. Consideration of an ordinance amending Chapter 19 – Animal and Fowl - Sections 19-0.5 through 19-39 Related to Animal and Fowl. - Second Reading..

A motion was made by Cantrell, seconded by Weber to approve the second reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 19 – Animal and Fowl - Sections 19-0.5 through 19-39 Related to Animal and Fowl.

Ayes: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nays: None

Absent: NA

Motion carried.

Resolutions

8. Consideration of a resolution approving the FY2027 budget.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Gearhart to approve Resolution No. 5886-2026.

Ayes: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nays: None

Absent: NA

Motion carried.

9. Consideration of a resolution approving an emergency repair for a manhole on 4th St and 7th Ave SW in the amount of \$80,000.00.

Public Works Superintendent Doudney walked council through the urgency of the repair.

A motion was made by Payne, seconded by Cantrell to approve Resolution No. 5887-2026.

Ayes: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nays: None

Absent: NA Motion carried.

10. Consideration of a resolution approving the repair of the Under-Ground Tank Monitor System by Dicks Petroleum to the city's fuel storage system in the amount of \$16,643.72.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Gearhart to approve Resolution No. 5888-2026.

Ayes: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nays: None

Absent: NA Motion carried.

11. Consideration of a resolution approving the demolition assistance application to Jason Hartsock for 1015 1st Ave SE in the amount of \$3,250.00.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cannon to approve Resolution No. 5889-2026.

Ayes: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nays: None

Absent: NA Motion carried.

12. Consideration of a resolution reducing the price of bulk items stickers for Oelwein residents to \$10.00 as part of the annual large item cleanup program.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve Resolution No. 5890-2026.

Ayes: Weber, Payne, Cantrell, Cannon, Gearhart, Ricchio

Nays: None

Absent: NA Motion carried.

Motions

13. Consideration of a motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning, Finance, Enterprise and Economic Development Committee on the Hotel Motel request from the Compost Disposal Service.

Planning, Finance, Enterprise and Economic Development Committee Chairperson Gearhart stated the committee has motioned to deny the request.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cannon to approve the recommendation from the Planning, Finance, Enterprise and Economic Development Committee to deny the Hotel/Motel request.

4 aye, 1 Nay (Payne), 1 Abstain (Ricchio). Motion carried.

Council Updates

Councilperson Cantrell inquired about the status of the Steak House. City Administrator Mulfinger stated the owner's are yet to sign the development agreement.

Mayor's Report

Mayor DeVore stated he would be sharing updated models on the state legislature's plan for property tax proposals.

- A. Consideration of a motion reappointing Robin Eick to the Civil Service Commission.

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to approve motion reappointing Robin Eick to the Civil Service Commission. All aye. Motion carried.

- B. Consideration of a motion reappointing Connie Jorgenson to the Park and Rec Commission.

A motion was made by Cantrell, seconded by Weber to approve motion reappointing Connie Jorgenson to the Park and Rec Commission. All aye. Motion carried.

City Administrator's Report

City Administrator Mulfinger stated the pouring of the bridge deck for the 10th Street Bridge will take place this week.

Mulfinger stated the timeline of the bidding of the 2026 Water Project is moving forward, but federal requirements are causing delays.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Cantrell to adjourn the meeting at 6:29PM.

All aye. Motion carried.

Brett DeVore, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator

I, Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator in and for the City of Oelwein, Iowa do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true accounting of the Council Proceedings held April 13, 2026 and copy of said proceedings was furnished to the Register April 15, 2026.

Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator